

### Capacity building for MoT staff in Trade in Services and Non-Tariff Measures

# Workshop No 2 Analysis of Trade in Services

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### **MEASURING TRADE IN SERVICES RESTRICTIONS**

## Agenda



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#### Introduction to STRI methodology

Matteo Fiorini (9:30 – 10:30)

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#### Reflection on quality of policy & MTN

Mia Mikic (11:00 – 11:30)

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### **Digital policies**

Matteo Fiorini (11:30 – 12:00)



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### Reflection on quality of policy & MTN

Mia Mikic (11:00 – 11:30)



# Time to step away and look at the BIG picture

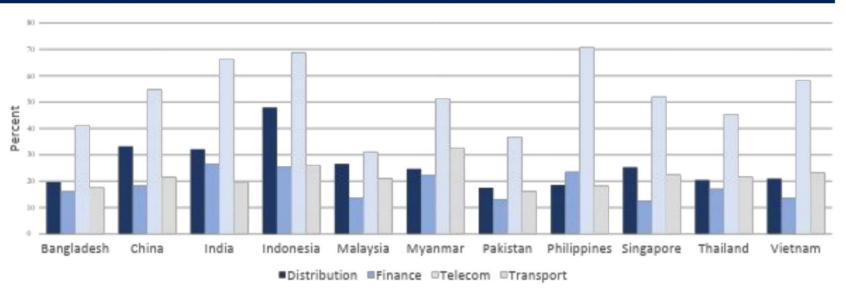


- Why trade? Sustainable trade?
- What about trade in services?
  - [Originally though different from trade in goods, is this still true?]
  - As final consumption services
  - As inputs into other goods and services
- Post-Covid recovery and sustainable development will depend on trade, especially on trade in services
  - Productivity and efficiency; TRADE COST (see next slide)
  - Ability to diversify, absorb and adapt (supply chains)
  - Enhance inclusivity and ensure sustainability (new services)

### Selected services sectors' costs



Ad Valorem Equivalents of Services Trade Policies



Source: Shepherd, 2021.

Source: Trade, South Asia, Southeast Asia. Economic Linkages, OneSouthAsia (worldbank.org)

# What are countries doing to reduce costs in trade in services



- Identify the source of cost
  - Domestic regulatory barriers (such as restrictive regulatory requirements and procedures for services suppliers)
  - Access to skills and infrastructure
  - There are some natural and/or desirable barriers to stay
- Reduce barriers! How?
  - First and foremost, domestically (in other words, the largest economic gains come from non-discriminatory policy reforms)
  - Globally (WTO) and regionally (RTAs)

### **Initiatives**

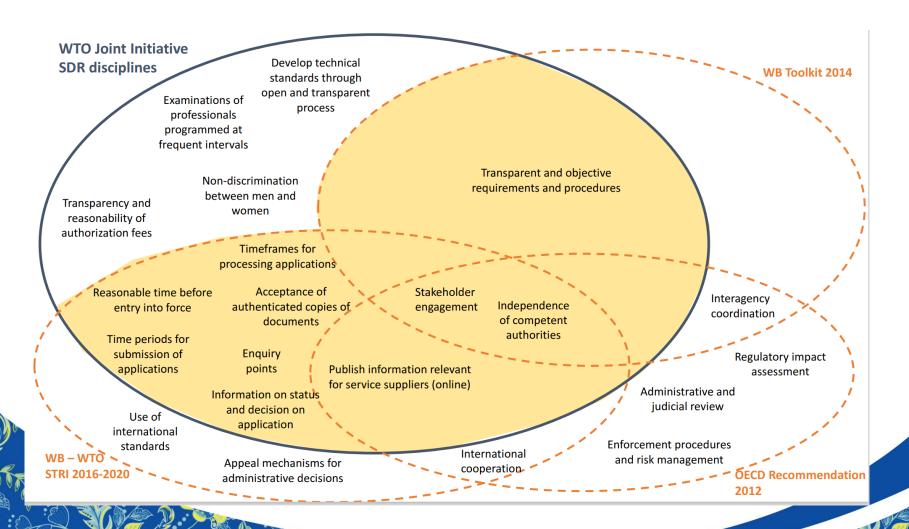


- At the WTO, JSI on DRS (92.5% services trade)
  - Finalized in Dec 2021, now has 70 signatories, schedules (added to original GATS schedules) done for majority;
  - Moratorium extended NO duties on electronic ('digital')
     transmissions until MC13 or 31 March 2024 (whichever earlier)
- RTAs deep trade agreements undertake to open market access directly in selected services sectors and/or reduce regulatory burden
  - OECD shows that a) RTAs reduce restrictions to services trade by between 10% and 40% compared to the multilateral regime, and b) On average, the RTAs eliminate between 40% and 70% of the "water" in the GATS.

# Cover (comparison of disciplines)\*



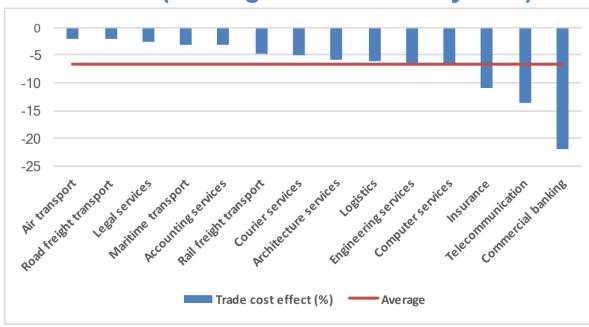
\*Source: Jane Drake-Brockman (ARTNeT webinar)



## Impact of DRS



# Potential services trade cost reductions by sector (average 7% over 3-4 years)



#### As % of export values

710 70 of expert values	
Air transport	-2
Road freight transport	-2
Legal services	-3
Maritime transport	-3
Accounting services	-3
Rail freight transport	-5
Courier services	-5
Architecture services	-6
Logistics	-6
Engineering services	-6
Computer services	-7
Insurance	-11
Telecommunication	-14
Commercial banking	-22

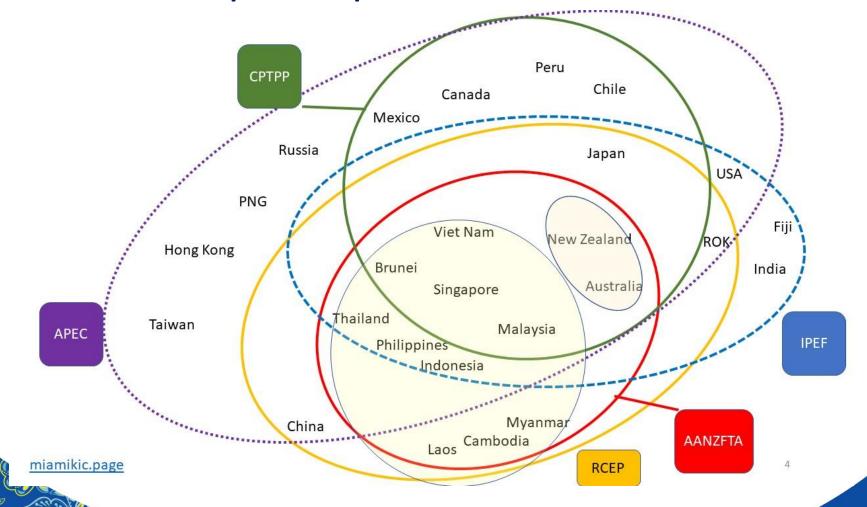
Note: Calculations based on the 14 APEC economies currently covered in the OECD STRI.

Source: Calculations are based on the methodology in Benz & Jaax (2020).

Source: <a href="https://www.wto.org/english/tratop\_e/serv\_e/oecd\_apec.pdf">https://www.wto.org/english/tratop\_e/serv\_e/oecd\_apec.pdf</a>

## Indonesia's participation







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