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Facilitating Safe Trade

Reducing trade costs Improving health protection

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WTO SPS Agreement

Right to protect human, animal, plant life or health



Obligation to avoid unnecessary and unjustified barriers to trade





Development of SPS measures

- SPS measures should inter alia be:
 - non-discriminatory
 - transparent
 - not more trade-restrictive than necessary
 - science-based (risk assessment)
- Harmonization international standards















Implementation of SPS measures Annex C

Avoid unnecessary trade disruption and costs when performing <u>control, inspection and approval procedures</u>

- no undue delays;
- information requirements limited to what is necessary;
- non-discriminatory fees;
- non-discrimination in siting of facilities/selection of samples;
- procedure to review complaints, take corrective action, etc.

SPS Annex C closely linked to TFA





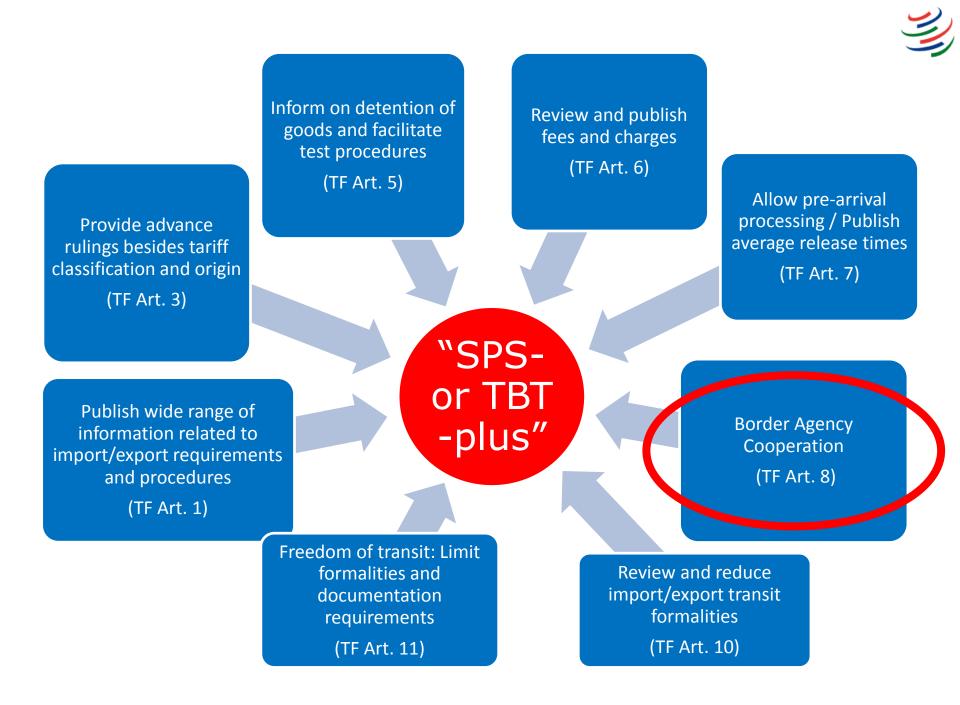
TFA Final Provisions: paragraph 6

"nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as <u>diminishing</u> the rights and obligations of Members under the TBT and SPS Agreements."

BUT....



some TFA provisions may be "SPS-plus" or "TBT-plus" adding obligations going beyond SPS & TBT Agreements



Reducing trade costs, improving health protection: lessons from STDF work

- Improve transparency
- Streamline documentary requirements and control procedures
- Implement risk-based approaches
- Better coordination between SPS authorities and with customs - joint inspections, IT solutions
- Participate in NTFCs, TF needs assessments ۲

TFA = opportunity to enhance dialogue and leverage funds to improve SPS border management

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Streamline documentary requirements and control

Ensuring health protection while inimizing SPS transaction costs

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number of good practices exist to improve the impleme ion of robust and science-based SPS f SPS measures in a way that facily noure health protection inevitably results in s on costs, the SPS Agreement requires that ar it's alonicing results ot be higher than necessary. Article 8 and Annex

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Complex and lengthy procedure

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SPS management

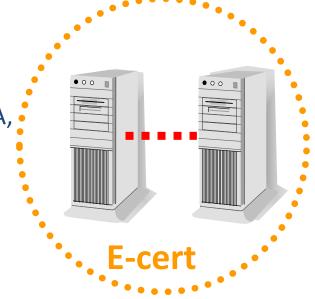
procedures

is good practice to regularly review

Towards paperless trade: SPS e-cert

- UN/CEFACT standard for secure electronic transmission of SPS certification data
- Reduction of time/costs at borders and of fraudulent certificates
- Challenges for developing countries
- STDF seminars and projects:
 - "E-phyto" (FAO/IPPC, WBG, WCO, CITES, CFIA, USDA, private sector
 - Veterinary e-cert proposal (OIE/FAO/WBG)









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The Standards and Trade Development Facility is a global partnership that supports developing countries in building their capacity to implement international sanitary and phytosanitary (SPS) standards, guidelines and recommendations as a means to improve their human, animal, and plant health status and ability to gain or maintain access to markets.

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A new STDF briefing note brings together key information and initiatives on paperless SPS systems.



Women in SPS capacity building

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Partnering with the private sector

A new briefing note highlights how STDF projects are building the private sector's capacity to implement SPS measures and take advantage of trade opportunities.



Enhancing national capacity to comply with SPS standards in LDCs

A joint Enhanced Integrated Framework (EIF) and STDF study analyses the coverage of SPS issues in Diagnostic Trade Integration Studies (DTIS).

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