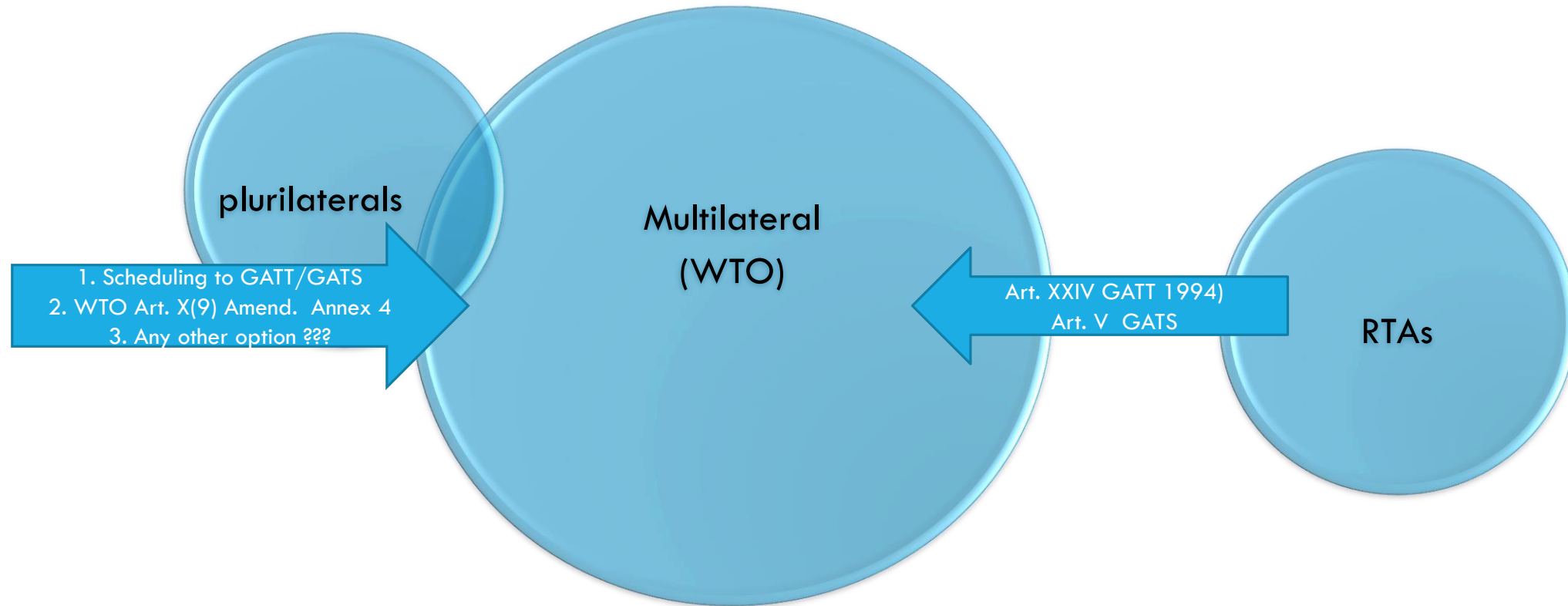


MIKTA PANEL ON PLURILATERALS IN THE WTO

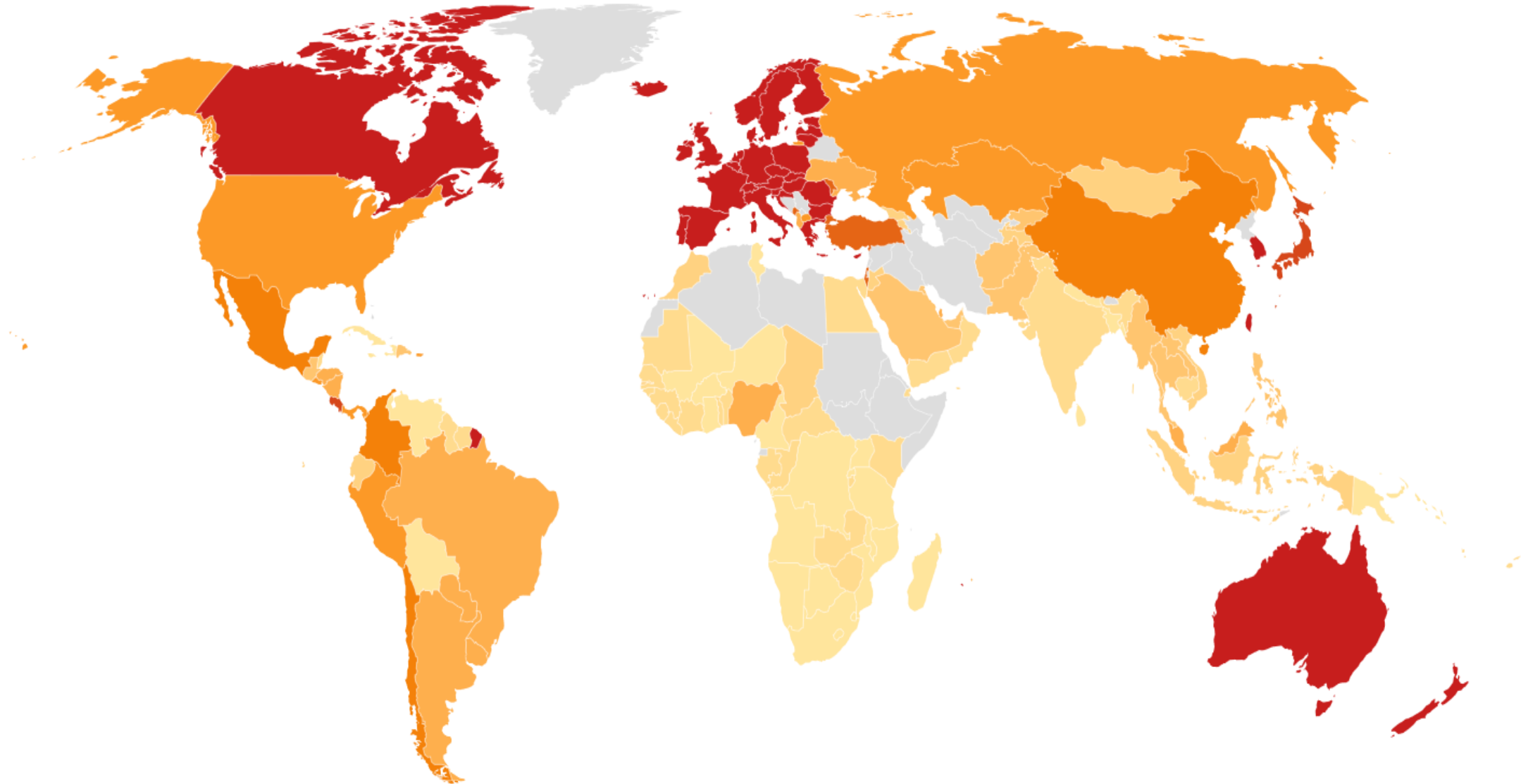
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WHERE ARE PLURILATERALS EXACTLY? WHERE SHOULD THEY BE IN GLOBAL TRADING SYSTEM?



WORLD MAP OF PLURILATERALS: WHO WANTS THEM?



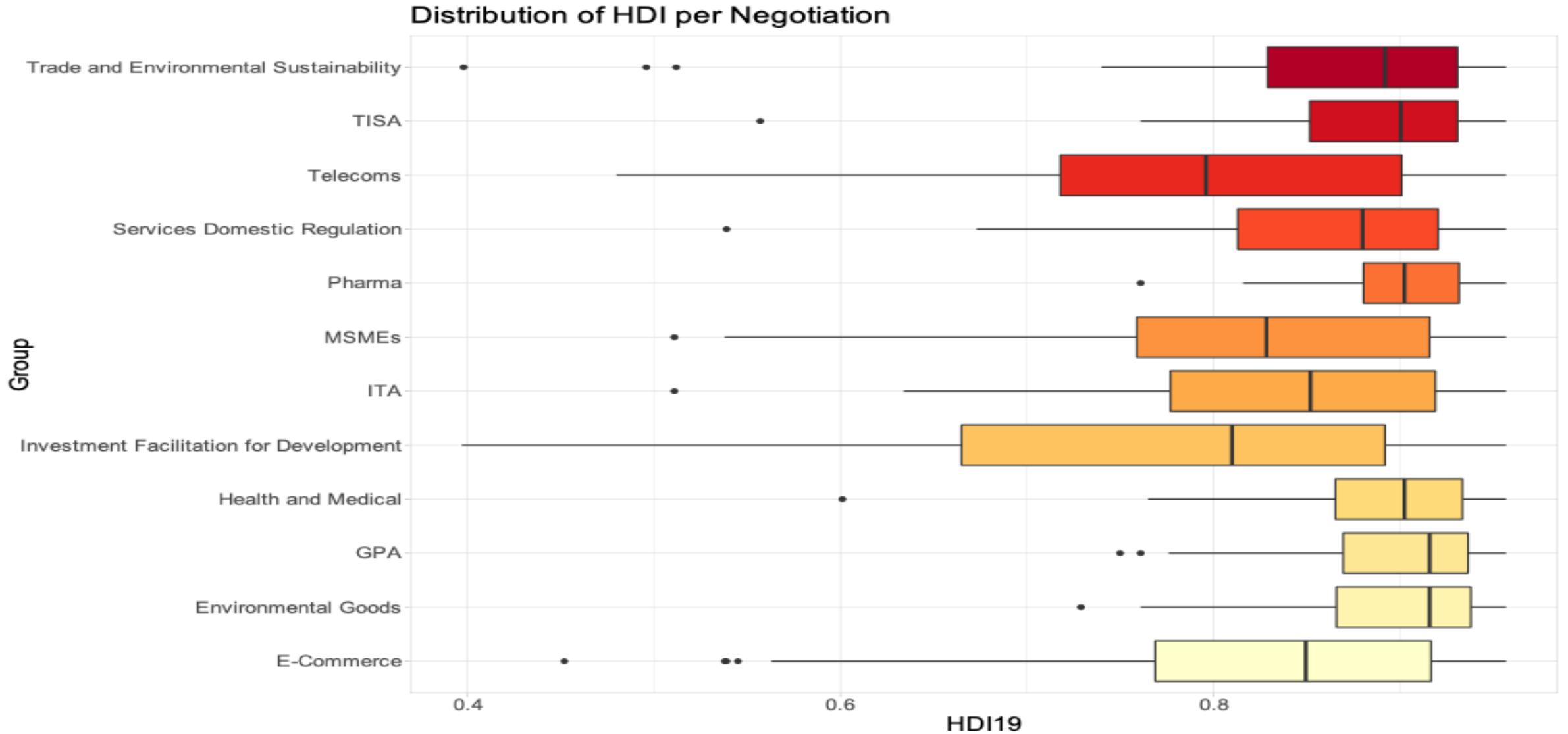
MAJOR NON-PARTICIPANTS

Important Non-Participants per Plurilateral Negotiation

List of 10 biggest Non-Participants measured by share in World Trade in Merchandise and sum of shares in World Trade and inward FDI flows.

Metric	E-Commerce	Services Domestic Regulation	TISA	Investment Facilitation for Development	Environmental Goods	MSMEs	Trade and Environmental Sustainability	Pharma	Health and Medical	ITA	GPA
Biggest Non-Participants	['India', 'Vietnam', 'South Africa', 'Bangladesh', 'Oman', 'Angola', 'Morocco', 'Egypt, Arab Rep.', 'Pakistan', 'Venezuela, RB']	['United States', 'Singapore', 'United Arab Emirates', 'India', 'Vietnam', 'Malaysia', 'Indonesia', 'South Africa', 'Qatar', 'Philippines']	['China', 'Russian Federation', 'Singapore', 'United Arab Emirates', 'India', 'Vietnam', 'Saudi Arabia', 'Thailand', 'Malaysia', 'Brazil']	['United States', 'India', 'Vietnam', 'Thailand', 'South Africa', 'Israel', 'Ukraine', 'Peru', 'Bangladesh', 'Oman']	['Japan', 'Mexico', 'Russian Federation', 'United Arab Emirates', 'India', 'Vietnam', 'Saudi Arabia', 'Thailand', 'Malaysia', 'Brazil']	['United States', 'United Arab Emirates', 'India', 'Saudi Arabia', 'Thailand', 'Indonesia', 'South Africa', 'Kuwait', 'Ukraine', 'Bangladesh']	['China', 'United States', 'Hong Kong SAR, China', 'Russian Federation', 'Singapore', 'United Arab Emirates', 'India', 'Vietnam', 'Saudi Arabia', 'Thailand']	['China', 'Korea, Rep.', 'Hong Kong SAR, China', 'Mexico', 'Russian Federation', 'Singapore', 'United Arab Emirates', 'Taiwan, China', 'India', 'Vietnam', 'Australia']	['China', 'United States', 'Hong Kong SAR, China', 'Russian Federation', 'United Arab Emirates', 'Taiwan, China', 'India', 'Vietnam', 'Saudi Arabia', 'Thailand']	['Mexico', 'Brazil', 'South Africa', 'Chile', 'Argentina', 'Nigeria', 'Bangladesh', 'Angola', 'Pakistan', 'Ecuador']	['China', 'Mexico', 'Russian Federation', 'United Arab Emirates', 'India', 'Vietnam', 'Saudi Arabia', 'Thailand', 'Malaysia', 'Brazil']
Share in World Trade of Merchandise	4.680985805	19.20434847	27.66010283	14.73790226	18.59371006	17.23046038	36.67662441	32.41289665	36.36033457	5.750089672	28.02792422
Share in World Trade of Services	5.050395951	25.06340586	16.80600605	21.05004032	12.62846481	21.78488327	31.73921563	19.51286553	29.21026251	2.071705864	13.92126623
Share in World Inward FDI Flow	5.564164562	29.6545044	28.17418414	23.15542084	16.1062328	22.86462724	43.43214313	31.53597495	37.98577289	8.520035339	24.33237019

PLURILATERALS, HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INDEX



KEY QUESTIONS ABOUT PLURILATERALS

1. Lack of 'normative consensus' on how to develop the system?

2. What scope for plurilateral negotiations?

3. How to assure non-participants rights are not undermined?

4. Are plurilaterals fragmenting the WTO multilateralism?

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Clarify legal status of plurilaterals in WTO (see next slide)
2. Develop set of principles to widen small group cooperation: openness
3. Focus on development aspect: address technical capacity problems
4. Increase transparency to establish trust
5. Conduct ex-ante and ex-post assessment on plurilaterals
6. Avoid overlapping in different agreements
7. Design mechanisms to avoid negative spillovers to non-members
8. Empower the DG with right to convene an *ad hoc* Working Group on plurilaterals

POSSIBLE METHODS TO INCORPORATE, ANY MORE?

Scheduling (no consensus)

Article X.9 - New plurilateral agreement under
Annex 4 (consensus)

A new category of agreements (to be annexed to
WTO) – benefits all on MFN basis