

# IMPLICATIONS OF NEGOTIATION FAILURES ON ENVIRONMENTAL GOODS AND SERVICES AT THE DOHA ROUND FOR GLOBAL TRADE GOVERNANCE

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# Outline

(based on paper available at <http://www.ferdi.fr/uploads/sfCmsContent/html/112/P28.pdf> )

- Doha art. 31: Countries mandated to negotiate on removing barriers to trade in EGS
- Anatomy of negotiations
  - Three approaches: Project, request and offer, list)
  - WTO 'combined list' and 'core list' of 26 products (2010)





# Core list products (sample): Limited overlap in lists and in environmental classifications

Countries who proposed that good

7	840510	Producer gas or water gas generators, with or without their purifiers; acetylene gas generators and similar water process gas generators, with or without their purifiers	FRD, SAU, PHL, SGP	APC, RE, WM/WT, ET, CCS
8	840681	Steam turbines and other vapour turbines for marine propulsion: Of an output exceeding 40 MW	FRD, SAU, PHL	RE
9	840999	Parts suitable for use solely or principally with the engines of heading 84.07 or 84.08 other	FRD, SAU, SGP	APC, ET, CCS
10	841011	Hydraulic turbines and water wheels of a power not exceeding 1,000 kW	FRD, SAU, PHL	RE, ET, CCS
11	841012	Hydraulic Turbines and Water Wheels, Power 1, 000 10, 000kw	SAU	ET, CCS
12	841090	Hydraulic turbines, water wheels, and regulators ; parts, including regulators	FRD, SAU, PHL	RE, ET, CCS
13	841181	Other gas turbines of a power not exceeding 5,000 kW	FRD, SAU, PHL, QAT	RE, ET, CCS, OTH
14	841182	Other gas turbines of a power exceeding 5,000 kW	FRD, SAU, PHL, QAT	RE, ET, CCS, OTH

# No progress in reducing tariffs (in relative terms)

(No difference in tariff reduction Patterns between 'core list' and total trade)

- No «mandate effect» as no acceleration in reduction of protection after 2001 relative to reduction in protection for other products
- Especially for low-income countries
- Next slide shows outcome under standstill

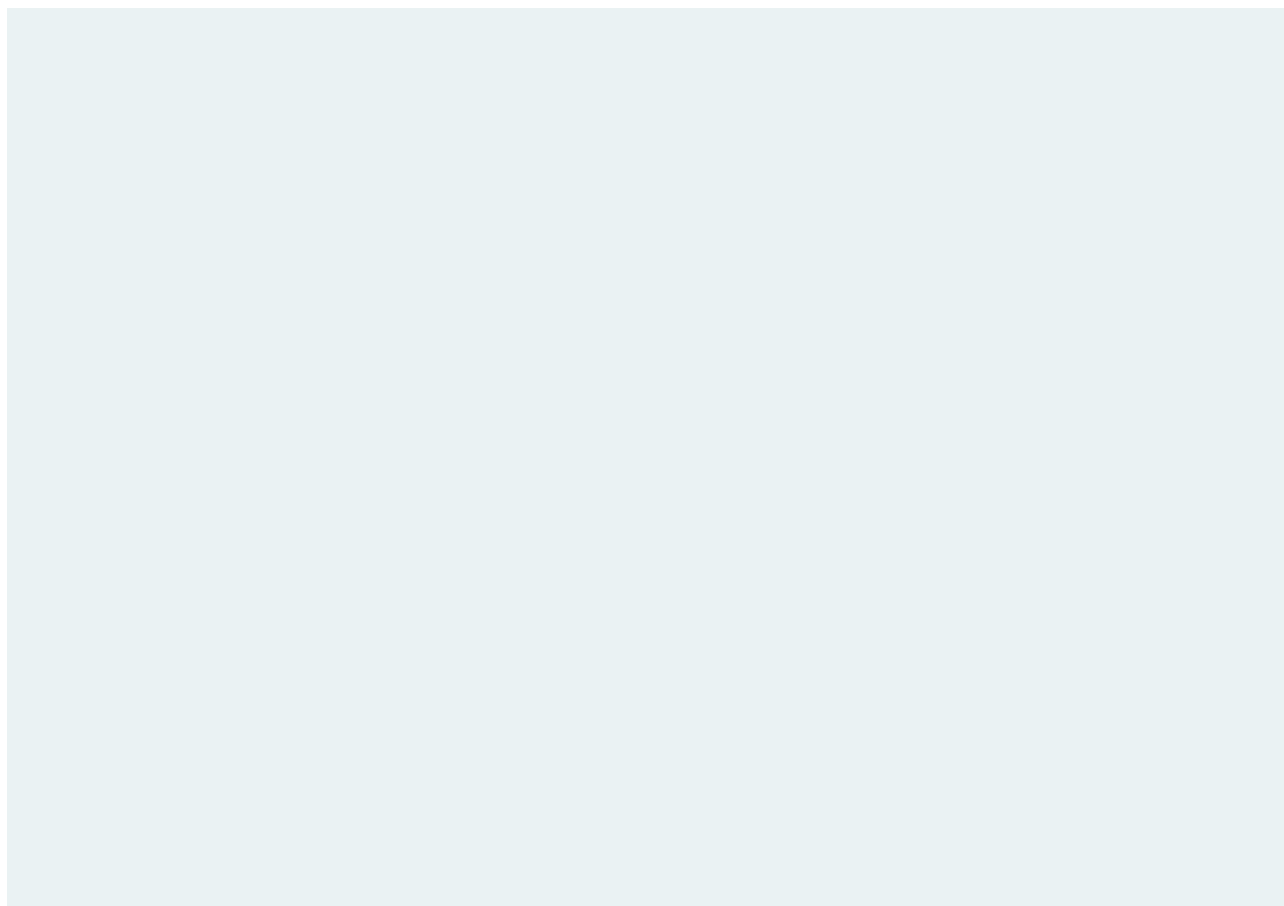


Figure 1: Identifying R21

Goods for Environmental  
Management (GEM)  
(Pollution, Resources)  
Multiple end uses  
(pipes for water treatment or for natural gas)

Environmentally Preferable Products (EPPs):  
Single use

Production  
Aluminium (Prebake  
vs. Soderberg)  
Organic cotton vs  
conventional cotton;

Use  
Solar stoves  
Solar furnaces  
Energy efficient  
consumer goods

Disposal  
packaging (glass vs.  
plastic)  
Cotton fiber *versus*  
synthetic fiber





# Difficulties (II) ...and avoided submitting goods with tariff peaks

Goods not proposed had significantly higher protection

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G=F-E
	16	1	9	86	2.04	2.52	0.48*
	20	0	1	92	2	3.32	1.32***
	61	0	11	92	0.25	0.83	0.58***
	0			59	6.17	6.02	-0.15
	0			81	3.21	2.59	-0.62**
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	0			11	0	0	
	17	0	0	27	3.13	5.19	2.06***
	9	2	2	110	1.59	2.73	1.14***
	61	0		51	0	0.67	0.67***
	0			262	4.84	4.47	-0.37***
	32	1		17	2.9	4.61	1.71

