

Legal Services under the GATS

Trade in Legal Services – Current Realities and Future Possibilities?

Simply Services Seminar in collaboration with the International Bar
Association

Classification according to CPC 861 Provisional

861 Legal services

8611 Legal advisory and representation services in the different fields of law

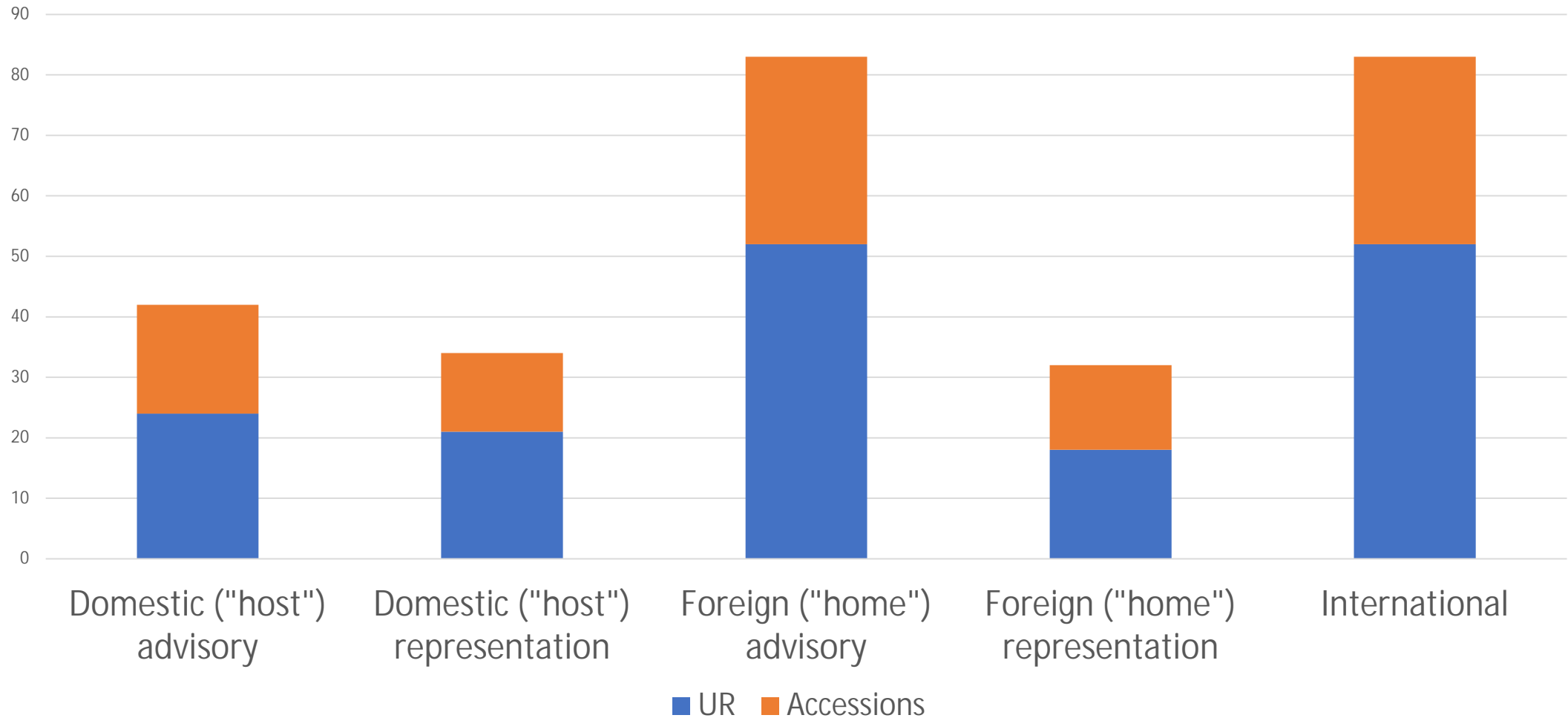
86111 Legal advisory and representation services concerning criminal law

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Usefulness of CPC 861 Prov. in the context of trade liberalization?

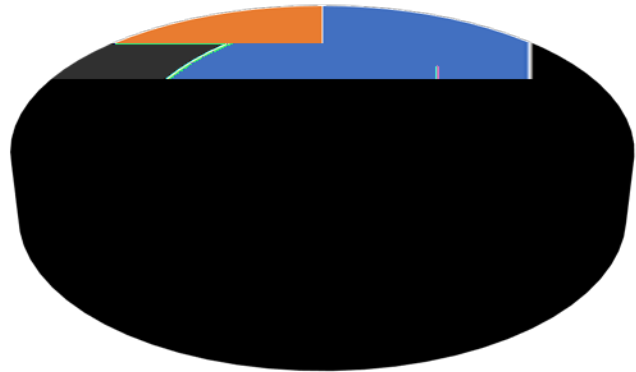
- No distinction between advisory and representation services
- No distinction between domestic (“host country law”) and foreign law (“home country law”, “third country law”)
- No explicit coverage of international law
- No explicit coverage of arbitration and conciliation services

WTO Members with commitments in Legal Services



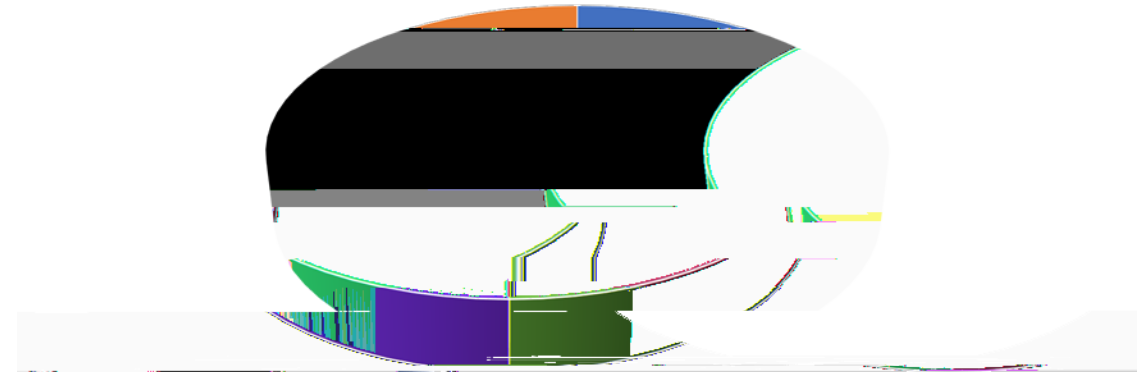
Share of Members with commitments in domestic (host –country) law

Host country law - UR original Members



■ With commitments ■ Without commitments

Host country law - Accessions



■ With commitments ■ Without commitments

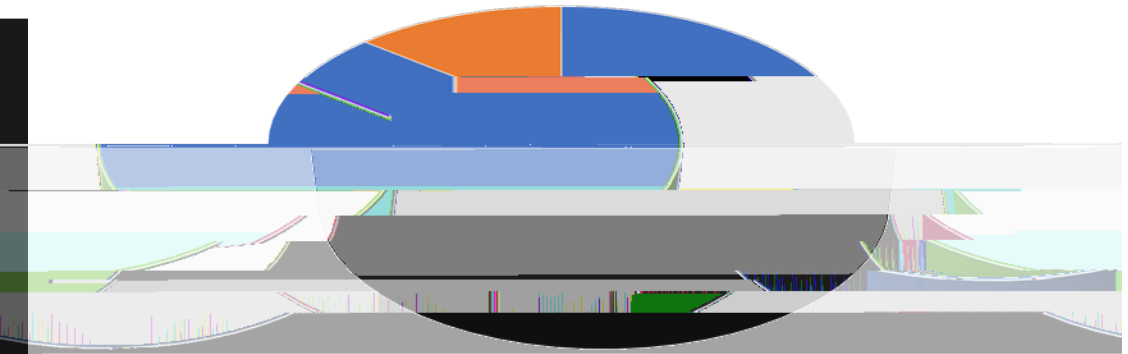
Share of Members with commitments in foreign (host –country) law

Home country law - UR original Members



■ With commitments ■ Without commitments

Home country law - Accessions



■ With commitments ■ Without commitments