Agreement ID : ECOTA
Short Name : ECOTA

Member Countries

Afghanistan
Azerbaijan
Iran, Islamic Rep.
Kazakhstan
Kyrgyzstan
Pakistan
Tajikistan
Turkey
Turkmenistan
Uzbekistan

Total: 10 countries

Economic Cooperation Organization Trade Agreement

Status : Signed in **2003**. In force since 2008
Scope : Regional
Type : Free Trade Agreement
WTO Notification : No Notification
Agreement text :
http://www.worldtradelaw.net/fta/agreements/ecota.pdf
Other links :
http://www.ecosecretariat.org/
WTO consideration process :

GOODS

Tariffs

Art 4: Negative list

Tariff reduction to maximum 15% in 8 years (15 years for Afghanistan)

Notification by each Contracting Party of a schedule of concessions to all member states for gradual and progressive reduction of applied tariffs. Reduction shall not be less than 10 percent per annum of the existing tariff.

Rules of Origin

Art. 12. Provided in Annex I, located at http://www.ecosecretariat.org/ftproot/Documents/Protocols/Annexes_of_ECOTA.doc

Contingency Measures

Anti - Dumping : Art 20. Provided in Annex IV, located at http://wits.worldbank.org/GPTAD/PDF/annexes/ECO_Annexes.pdf
Countervailing Duties :
Safeguards : Art 21: Allowed, after consultation (no limit is mentioned)

Standards :

Notes :

The Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO) has been notified to WTO under enabling clause in 1992 as a Partial Scope Agreement. For more information http://rtais.wto.org/UI/CRShowRTAIDCard.aspx?rtaid=128.

SERVICES

WTO Notification (GATS Art. V) :

Date of notification :
Consideration Process :

Liberalization Approach :

Modes Covered

Specific Chapters on

Specific Sectors Excluded

Public Sectors carve-out :

Most Favoured Nation :

National Treatment :

Market Access :

Domestic Regulation :

Subsidies covered by services disciplines :

Denial of benefits for commercial presence :

Notes :

Link to schedules :

INVESTMENT

Scheduling Approach :

Definition of investment :

Most Favoured Nation :

National Treatment :

Fair and Equitable Treatment :

Expropriation :

Board of Directors and executive personnel :

Invester - State arbitration : No

Denial of Benefits :

Additional BIT exists between the parties : No

BIT list I :

Status:

BIT list II :

Status:

Notes :

Link to schedules :

TRADE FACILITATION

Customs procedures : **Yes** Art.8
Customs valuation : **Yes** Artt. 10 and 25
Trade regulations publication and administration : **Yes** Art. 11
Use of ICT : **No**
Mobility of business people : **No**
Freedom of transit : **No** Mentioned in Art.13
Transport and logistics : **Yes** Art.13
Trade finance : **No**

OTHER AREAS

Government Procurement : **No**
Investment : **No**
Competition Policy : **Yes**
Intellectual Property : **Yes** Art.19. Cooperation activities without substantive IPRs obligations. Broad coverage.
Dispute Settlement : **Yes** Art.27
Labor Mobility : **No**
Labor and Environmental Standards : **No**
Technical cooperation : **No**
Institutional mechanism : **No**

Notes :

RULES OF ORIGIN

Cumulation
Annex I, Art 6: Diagonal

Specific Process

Heading Change
Annex I
De Minimis
Annex I, Art 5: total value of non-originating materials used does not exceed 60% of FOB
Minimum Content
Annex I

Drawback

HTTP Link
Annex I: http://www.ecosecretariat.org/ftproot/Documents/Protocols/Annexes_of_ECOTA.doc

Notes :