Agreement ID : JAPAN-SINGAPORE
Short Name : Japan-Singapore FTA&EIA

Member Countries

Japan
Singapore

Total: 2 countries

Agreement between Japan and the Republic of Singapore for a New-Age Economic Partnership

Status : Signed in **2002**. In force since 2002
Scope : Bilateral
Type : FTA & EIA
WTO Notification : GATT Art XXIV, GATS Art V 2002
Agreement text :
http://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/region_e/fact_abst_japan_singapore_e.doc
Other links :
http://www.mofa.go.jp/policy/economy/fta/singapore.html
WTO consideration process :
http://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/region_e/fact_abst_japan_singapore_e.doc

GOODS

Tariffs
Positive list
Full tariff elimination
Foresees inclusion of more goods in the list

Rules of Origin
Change in tariff classification necessary

Value Added: Minimum 60%

No specific process necessary

Contingency Measures
Anti - Dumping :
Countervailing Duties : Following the WTO Agreement on Safeguards
Safeguards : Following the WTO Agreement on Safeguards

Standards : Calls for mutual recognition, and sets out the standards to register new conformity assessment bodies in the Sectorial

Notes :
Protocol amending the Agreement signed March 2007 - http://www.mofa.go.jp/region/asia-paci/singapore/jsepa_a/index.htmlFactual abstract: http://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/region_e/fact_abst_japan_singapore_e.doc

SERVICES

WTO Notification (GATS Art. V) : Notified
Date of notification : 08/11/2002
Consideration Process : Under Consideration

Liberalization Approach : Positive Lists

Modes Covered

Cross - Border Supply : **Yes**
Consumption Abroad : **Yes**
Commercial Presence Abroad : **Yes**
Movement of Natural Persons : **Yes**

Specific Chapters on

Financial services : **Yes**
Movement of natural persons : **Yes**

Specific Sectors Excluded

Air transport : **Yes**

Public Sectors carve-out : GATS-like (Article I:3(b))

Most Favoured Nation : Non-binding

National Treatment : Binding

Market Access : Binding

Domestic Regulation : Binding but subject to legitimate expectations (GATS-like)

Subsidies covered by services disciplines : Covered

Denial of benefits for commercial presence : Article 70 Denial of Benefits

Notes :

Link to schedules :

INVESTMENT

Scheduling Approach : Negative Lists

Definition of investment : Covers portfolio investment

Most Favoured Nation : Non-binding

National Treatment : Binding

NT provision applies to entry and establishment rights : **Yes**

Fair and Equitable Treatment : Binding

Expropriation : Binding

Board of Directors and executive personnel : Not Featured

Invester - State arbitration : Yes

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** Article 35, 36 and 39 of the Agreement
Customs valuation : **Yes** Article 15, 35, 36 and 38 of the Agreement
Trade regulations publication and administration : **Yes** Article 38 and 41 of the Agreement
Use of ICT : **Yes** Article 40, 42, 43, and 44 of the Agreement
Mobility of business people : **No**
Freedom of transit : **Yes** Article 37 and 39 of the Agreement
Transport and logistics : **No**
Trade finance : **No**

OTHER AREAS

Government Procurement : **Yes**
Investment : **Yes** Asset based-open list; includes FDI, portfolio investment and various forms of tangible and intangible property.
Competition Policy : **Yes**
Intellectual Property : **Yes** Substantive obligations and cooperation. Coverage in line with TRIPS and covers Database Contents. See more in A
Dispute Settlement : **Yes** Ad-hoc arbitration. Parties can block panles.
Labor Mobility : **Yes**
Labor and Environmental Standards : **Yes** Chapter 8 on Science and Technology, ART. 31 on Areas and Forms of Cooperation refer to environ cooperation.
Technical cooperation : **No**
Institutional mechanism : **No**

Notes :
Set up of cooperation committees on IT and Science.Health related and social services covered.

RULES OF ORIGIN

Cumulation
bilateral

Specific Process
last manufacturing process in one of the parties
Heading Change
change in tariff classification necessary
De Minimis
Specific minimum values for each product set out in Annex IIA
Minimum Content
60%

Drawback

HTTP Link

Notes :
Annex IIA For shipments below JPY 200,000 the requirement to produce a 'certificate of origin' can be waived.Inspections can go back up to three years.