Agreement ID : JAPAN-SWITZERLAND
Short Name : Japan-Switzerland FTA&EIA

Member Countries

Japan
Switzerland

Total: 2 countries

Agreement on Free Trade and Economic Partnership between Japan and the Swiss Confederation

Status : Signed in **2009**. In force since 2009
Scope : Bilateral
Type : FTA & EIA
WTO Notification : GATT Art XXIV, GATS Art V 2009
Agreement text :
http://www.mofa.go.jp/region/europe/switzerland/epa0902/agreement.pdf
Other links :
http://www.mofa.go.jp/policy/economy/fta/switzerland.html
WTO consideration process :
http://docsonline.wto.org/imrd/gen_redirectsearchdirect.asp?RN=0&searchtype=browse&query=@meta_Symbol%22WT/REG273/1/Rev.1%22&language=1&ct=DDFEnglish

GOODS

Tariffs
Free trade for industrial goods and selected agricultural products
Annex I-Appendix I contains schedule of Japan and Appendix Ii of Switzerland

Rules of Origin
See Annex II

Contingency Measures
Anti - Dumping : Permitted, subject to WTO and GATT commitments, see Art 11, Sec ii
Countervailing Duties : Permitted, subject to WTO and GATT commitments, see Art 11, Sec ii
Safeguards : Bilateral safeguard measures- Article 20 and resitrictions on Safeguard of BOP Article 21

Standards : Chapter 4 for SPS and Chapter 5 on TBT

Notes :

SERVICES

WTO Notification (GATS Art. V) : Notified
Date of notification : 01/09/2009
Consideration Process : Not Considered

Liberalization Approach : Negative 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 : Binding

National Treatment : Binding

Market Access : Binding

Domestic Regulation : Binding

Subsidies covered by services disciplines : Covered

Denial of benefits for commercial presence : n.a

Notes :

Necessity Test is binding upon a Party only in sectors in which it has undertaken specific commitments in its Schedule under the GATS.(See Article 48.5 Domestic Regulation)

Link to schedules :

INVESTMENT

Scheduling Approach : Negative Lists

Definition of investment : Covers portfolio investment

Most Favoured Nation : Binding

Economic integration exception to MFN : **Yes**

National Treatment : Binding

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** Chapters 3, 4
Customs valuation : **Yes** Article 17 referring to WTO Agreement on Customs Valuation
Trade regulations publication and administration : **Yes** Article 31
Use of ICT : **Yes** Electronic commerce chapter 8
Mobility of business people : **Yes** Chapter 7
Freedom of transit : **No**
Transport and logistics : **No**
Trade finance : **No**

OTHER AREAS

Government Procurement : **Yes** Chapter 12
Investment : **Yes** Chapter 9
Competition Policy : **Yes** Chapter 10
Intellectual Property : **Yes** Chapter 11 and Geographical Indications in Annex X
Dispute Settlement : **Yes** Chapter 14
Labor Mobility : **Yes** Chapter 7
Labor and Environmental Standards : **Yes** Preamble mentions huiman rights and environmental protection
Technical cooperation : **Yes** Chapter 13
Institutional mechanism : **Yes** Joint Committee - Article 148

Notes :

RULES OF ORIGIN

Cumulation
Bilateral, see Annex II, Art 5

Specific Process

Heading Change
Art 4, sec 1(b)
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Minimum Content
60%, see Art 4, sec 1(a)

Drawback

HTTP Link

Notes :
Contained in Annex II