



Standards and Trade
Development Facility

Trade facilitation in an SPS context:
experiences and lessons



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Global Partnership

Increased capacity to implement international SPS standards to gain / maintain market access

Coordination mechanism and knowledge hub among providers of SPS technical assistance to identify good practice, strengthen coherence, avoid duplication and enhance results

Funding for development and implementation of innovative and collaborative projects that support compliance with international SPS requirements to gain and maintain market access



WTO Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (SPS Agreement)

Recognizing
the right to protect
human, animal,
plant life or health



Avoiding
unnecessary
barriers to trade



Development of SPS measures: key principles

- SPS measures should *inter alia* be:
 - non-discriminatory
 - transparent
 - not more trade-restrictive than necessary
 - science-based (risk assessment)
- Members are encouraged to “harmonize” or base national measures on international standards, guidelines and recommendations (Codex, IPPC, OIE) → presumption of compliance



Enforcement/implementation of SPS measures – Annex C

- Members required to avoid unnecessary trade disruption and transaction costs for traders when performing control, inspection and approval procedures
 - no undue delays;
 - information requirements limited to what is necessary;
 - non-discriminatory fees (not higher than actual cost of service),
 - non-discrimination in siting of facilities and selection of samples;
 - procedure to review complaints, take corrective action, etc.

SPS Annex C closely linked to TFA

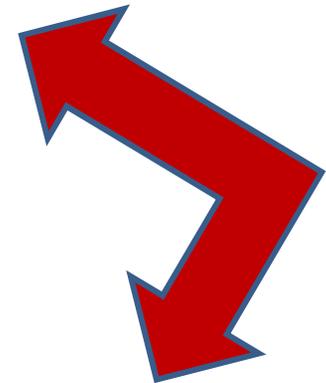


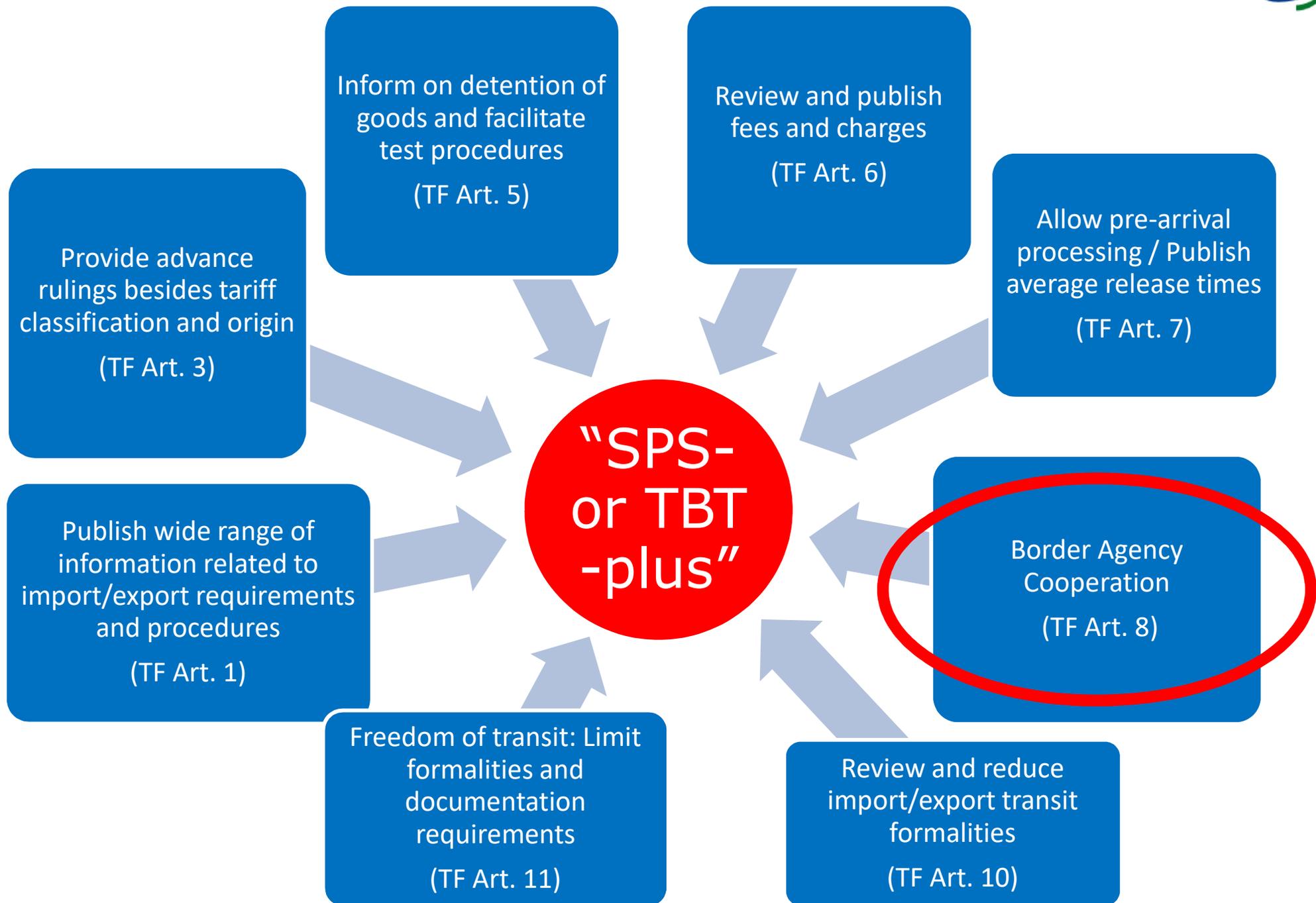
TFA Final Provisions: paragraph 6

“nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as diminishing the rights and obligations of Members under the TBT and SPS Agreements.”

BUT.....

some TRA provisions may be "SPS-plus" or "TBT-plus"
adding obligations going beyond SPS & TBT Agreements







Considerations for TFA implementation

- awareness of SPS/TBT/customs officials regarding rights/obligations under all relevant WTO Agreements; need for coordinated approaches, systems
- involvement of SPS & TBT officials in TF needs assessments; opportunity for SPS & TBT entities to benefit from increased funding opportunities
- national SPS, TBT and TF committees/bodies, Enquiry Points standard setting bodies need to communicate have

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