DDA NEGOTIATIONS WTO PROVISIONS ON RTAS

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1. WHAT DO WE NEGOTIATE



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- Negotiating mandates in the Doha Ministerial Declaration (November 2001)
- Under the title of WTO RULES, paragraph 29
- "We also agree to negotiations aimed at clarifying and improving disciplines and procedures under the existing WTO provisions applying to regional trade agreements.

The negotiations shall take into account the developmental aspects of regional trade agreements"

2. WHY DO WE NEGOTIATE

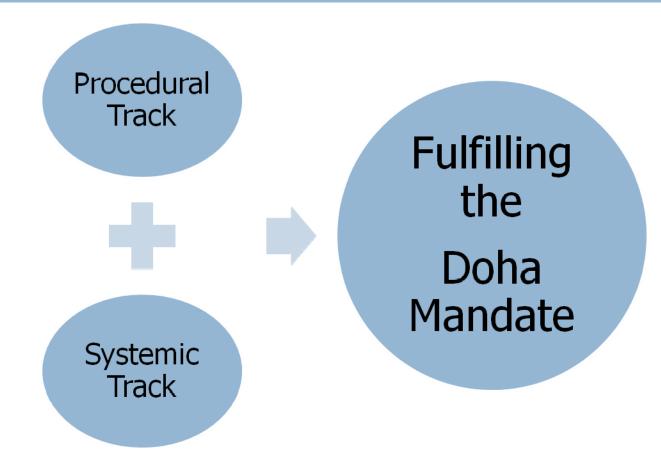


Reality Legal Uncertainty Procedural Uncertainty, have improved through Transparency Mechanism Let's improve

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3. HOW DO WE NEGOTIATE





OPOSALS and **RESULTS?**



harvest, Transparency Mechanism roposal (TN/RL/W/248) in January 2011 ing the Mechanism based on experience (TN/RL/W/252)

npt to define vague wordings and to inject development nsion (22 proposals in total up to 2005) ian proposal (TN/RL/W/250) in January 2011

ward-looking, post-Doha work programme? 's assessment (TN/RL/W/253)

