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**Evidence Based Trade policy Making:  
Using statistical tools for policy making**

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# Outline

- Introduction to Evidence-based policy making (EBPM)
- EBPM Requirement conditions:
  - Relevant Policy questions
  - Understanding the tools
  - Data availability
- Some online data sources

# Policymaking approaches

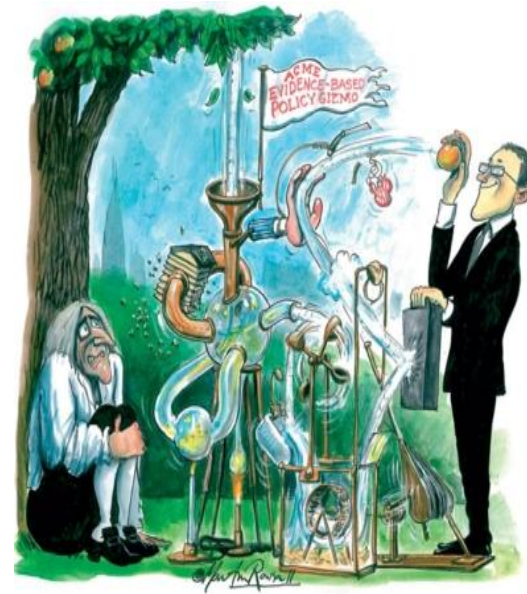
## Opinion-based Policy Making

- Anecdote
- Experts
- Seniors
- Gut feeling



## Evidence-based Policy (EBP) Making

- Best available research evidence
- Evidence from collected data (empirical evidence)
  - Theory
  - Data
  - Tools for data analysis
- Gains
  - Transparency
  - Accountability



# Evidence-based policy making

- Tracking, monitoring and evaluation of the results of policies that have been put in place
  - Ex-post analysis
- Making decisions in public area (including on issues recognition, policy choice and sequencing, or forecasting future developments)
  - Ex-ante analysis

# Components of EBPM

## Policy questions:

Ex. What will be the potential effects of an FTA?

## Tools:

1. Making inferences from descriptive statistics and trade indicators
2. Partial equilibrium approaches to estimate the potential effects on an individual product
3. General equilibrium approaches to estimate the potential effects on the whole economy
4. Approaches to estimate distribution effects

## Data sources:

- Cross-country data, National data
- Secondary-data sources (online, published, unpublished), Primary-data surveys

EBPM requirement no. 1

# **POLICYMAKERS ASK RELEVANT POLICY QUESTIONS**

# Policy questions at different stages of policymaking

- Before negotiation of an FTA: An analysis of potential costs and benefits (ex-ante)
  - What a country can supply to its FTA partners? What it can source from the partners?
  - What are expected impacts on production and employment level and composition, welfare, fiscal balance, etc.
  - What are the costs of necessary adjustment policies for the adversely affected sectors?
- After its implementation: An impact assessment (ex-post)
  - Whether the impacts are within the expected range?
  - Whether the expected benefits are fully materialized?
  - Whether further adjustment policies are necessary?

EBPM requirement no. 2

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