

DDA Negotiations on Agriculture



Negotiation Process

 Overview - Current draft modalities TN/AG/W/4/Rev.4

DDA NEGOTIATION









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Doha



2000 Agriculture talks start – Built-in Agenda (Art 20 of the AoA) 2001 Doha Negotiations launched (DDA) March 2003 - Modalities deadline missed **2003 Cancún Ministerial** – failure to conclude modalities 2004 "July Package" - Adoption framework for modalities 2005 Hong Kong Ministerial **April 2006 – Missed deadlines modalities** July 2006 - draft modalities (W/3) - negotiations suspended Late 2006 – "Quiet diplomacy" Early 2007 – Resumption of negotiations June 2007 - G4 Meeting Postdam - Clash

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Aug 2007 – revised draft modalities (W/4)
  Fall 2007 – intensive negotiations
     December 2007 – Missed deadline modalities
       Feb - May 2008 - revised draft W/4/Rev.1-2
         July 2008 – failure to conclude modalities
            Nov 2008 - G20 Summit: conclude end 08
               Dec 2008 – W/4/Rev.4 draft modalities
               But missed deadline
                  Dec 2009 – Bananas agreement
                      March 2010 – Chair stocktaking report
                         November 2010 – Call for conclusion in 2011
                            April 2011 – TN/AG/26
                                2012 – Continuing discussions
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CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS

Process: concentric circles

Big meetings, small meetings

Formal plenary Full membership

Speeches /consensus decisions

'Green Room'
Informal small group
consultations

Key players, reps. of all groups hard bargaining, drafting Informal, heads of delegations

All members, no record reports from consultations, /reactions

Bilateral, very small group consultations

'Inclusive': all coalitions represented in consultations 'Transparent': reps. report back to coalitions



