

Report to Board  
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While I am an at large member of the board, rather than an agency representative member of the board, it seems appropriate to report on activities in the last year related to GTAP. Much of this involves Stichting IIDE (the Institute for International and Development Economics) [www.i4ide.org](http://www.i4ide.org). These are summarized below:

**PROJECTS:**

**FSU COUNTRIES IN GTAP 7:** We were able to “re-direct” an EC-funded capacity building project (also involving Kiel and CASE Warsaw) in Central and Eastern Europe. As a result, several country teams submitted new country tables for GTAP7, and FSU coverage in GTAP is now relatively complete.

**NON-TARIFF BARRIERS:** Two EC-funded projects are underway to estimate transatlantic non-tariff barriers affecting goods and services NTBS, and to map these to GTAP sectors. In addition, Michael Ferrantino has launched an NTM Network, to disseminate data on NTBs. This will be hosted on the IIDE website ([www.i4ide.org](http://www.i4ide.org)).

**SERVICES TRADE DATABASE:** IIDE, with support from the World Bank and Dutch development assistance funding, has completed a database of world trade and FDI and services that will be posted and publicly available shortly on the IIDE website.

**GIST:** European Commission FP7 project, Globalization and International Trade in Services (GIST). This is a four year project, funded by the European Commission and involving the Paris School of Economics, CEPR, Kepler University Linz, wiiw Vienna, and the University of Ljubljana, the University of Stockholm, and the Trinity College Dublin. The project includes estimation and trade and FDI barriers and modeling of regulatory barriers to trade in services.

**SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT ASSESSMENTS:** Various studies are underway linked to the environmental and social impact assessment of FTAs involving the EC. These include MERCOSUR, ASEAN, and India.

**ATC QUOTAS:** Quota ETEs (export tax equivalents) for GTAP 7 are based on a set of quotas estimates from Francois and Woery (2008). These actually include estimates for the full ATC phase-out period, from 1995-2005.

## **GTAP-RELATED STUDIES AND PUBLICATIONS 2007-2008:**

Economic Impact Of A Potential Free Trade Agreement (Fta) Between The European Union And South Korea, Report For The European Commission, IIDE (J. Francois) And Copenhagen Economics, 2007.

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"Economic Implications Of An Association Agreement Between The European Union And Central America, Luis Rivera And Hugo Rojas-Romagosa," Institute For International And Development Economics Discussion Paper 200710-01, 2007.

"A Quantification Of The Economic Effects Of The February 2008 Draft Nama Text: Summary Of Results," J. Francois, L. Baughman, M. Brockmeier, And R. Klepper, Report To The German Marshall Fund, 2008.