Development of TASTE

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Overview of the data treatment

TRAD database
(Trade Restrictiveness Analytics Database)

GATT portal

TASTE software

Updated version for 2001
Updated version for 2004
2007
2008
2009
Aggregation methodology

- Trade Weighted (as in GTAP)
- Reference group
- TRI and MTRI
- Optimal Aggregator (Anderson, and Laborde, Martin and Van Der Mensbrugghe)
  - Two outputs: tariff revenue aggregator and expenditure aggregators
  - Important for tariff simulations

- Matrix of elasticities (Kee et al by default).
Selection of sensitive products

- Simple ranking (static)
  - Highest MFN
  - Highest Bound

- Default matrix (based on Laborde and Martin, 2011) (can be edited)

- Automatic criterion: Jean, Laborde and Martin.
Tariff scenarios

• Large set of formulas (existing) and cut on bound tariffs → applied rates. WTO scenarios

• Cut on applied rates (regional agreements)

• Tariff increases: Dispute settlements, CET, alternative scenarios
Additional information (potentially)

• Dynamic scenarios: still through different simulations but with a parameter
• Split Ad Valorem / Specific
• TRQ rents and split import duties / export duties
• TRQ quantities
• Export taxes (availability to be discussed with the EC DG Trade)
• Anti dumping