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Research projects/networks

- 1) GIST (Globalization, investment, and services trade). This is a four year research and training network funded by the European Commission. It includes doctoral and post-doctoral researcher funding at a number of research institutions in Ireland, Sweden, Austria, France, Slovenia, and Italy. It is coordinated through Johannes Kelper University Linz and CEPR, asnd is run by Joseph Francois. One result of this project is an updated version of the IIDE global trade in services database (TSD).
- 2) WIOD (World Input-Output Database). This is a four year research network funded by the European Commission. It is coordinated through the University of Groningen. Its aim to the updating of the EU-KLEMS database, the addition of trade accounts, and the broadening of country coverage. The trade portion of the database is managed through the wiiw in Vienna, by Joseph Francois and Robert Stehrer.
- 3) The NTM network is hosted on the IIDE website. http://i4ide.org/NTMwiki/index.php?title=Main Page

Recent policy studies:

- 1) Non-Tariff Measures in EU-US Trade and Investment An Economic Analysis, European Commission Reference: OJ 2007/S 180-219493, December 2009.
 - summary: a large scale report on EU and US non tariff barriers. It included detailed firm surveys and econometric estimation of the impact of NTMs. These results were mapped into a CGE based assessment of trade liberalization between the US and EU that focuses on NTMs. The study included both goods and services NTMs. The gravity and CGE modeling were coordinated through an IIDE team led by Joseph Francois.
- 2) Assessming the costs and benefits of a closer EU-Canada economic partnership, joint study by the European Commission and the Government of Canada, 2009.

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- 3) Pan-Asian Integration: Linking East and South Asia, Palgrave, 2009. summary. This book represents a summary report of a two year project in Asian integration for the Asian Development Bank. The project included detailed institutional analysis, econometric modeling of both NTMs and infrastructure impact on trade, and CGE modeling of regional integration scenarios. The project was coordinate by Joseph Francois.
- 4) The impact of a potential NAMA package on EU industry, study for DG Enterprise arried out within the Framework Service Contract B2/ENTR/05/091 FCI. 2009.
 - summary: This report was prepared for DG Enterprise, and examined the detailed impact of WTO-based industrial tariff reductions on European industry across different Member States.