

EU Trade Policy – for the benefit of rich and poor EU partners



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The world's major trading entities

Country/Entity	Share of world merchandise exports (2007)	Share of world merchandise imports (2007)	Share of world services exports (2007)	Share of world services imports (2007)
Extra EU-27	16.4%	18.4%	27.7%	24.0%
China	11.8%	9.0%	5.1%	5.7%
United States	11.3%	19.0%	18.9%	14.8%
Japan	6.9%	5.8%	5.3%	6.6%
Source WTO				

GDP per capita

US \$, current prices and PPPs

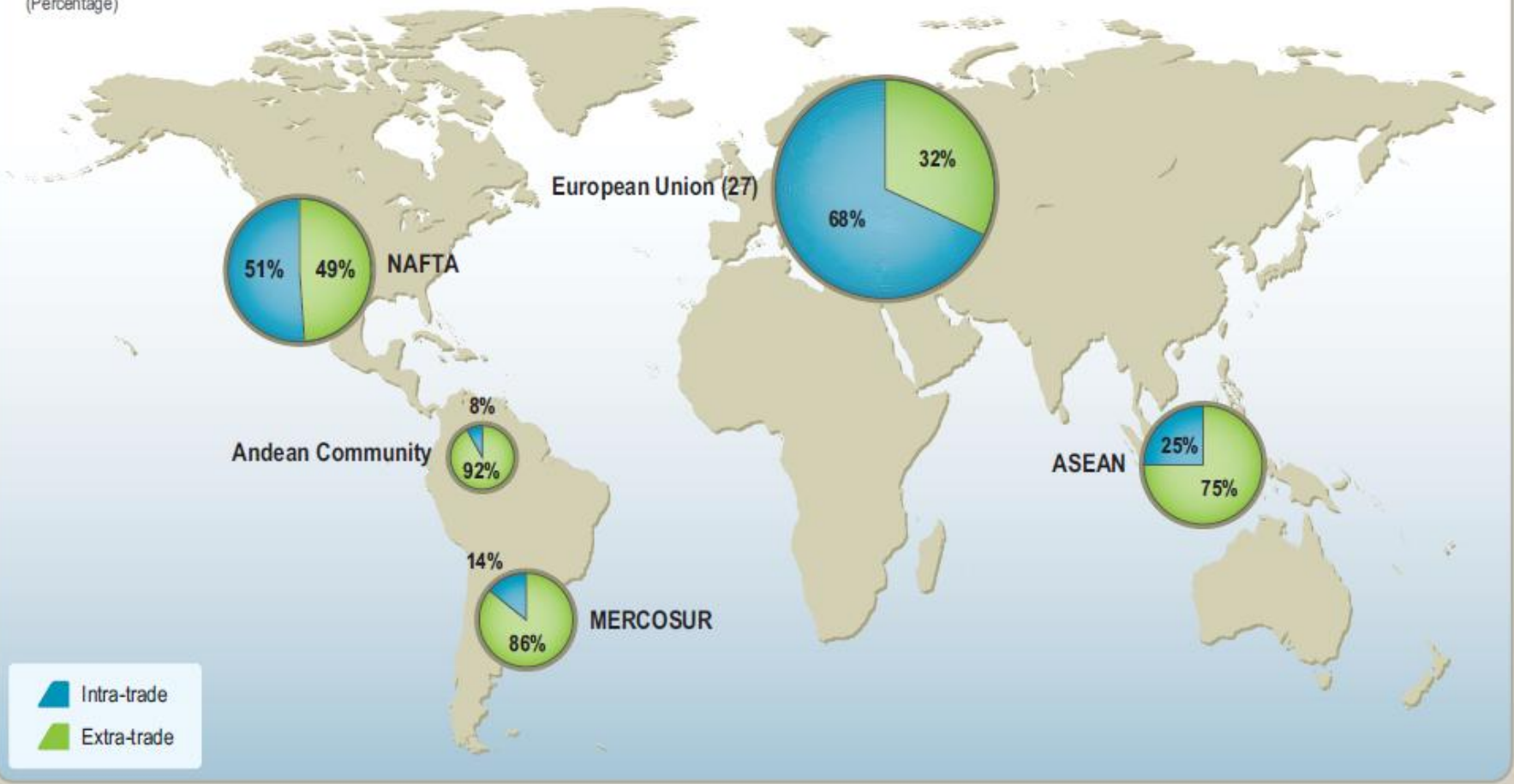
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Austria / Autriche	29272	30500	31518	33082	34107	35695
Belgium / Belgique	28445	29946	30167	31062	32077	33527
Czech Republic / République tchèque	16183	16872	18012	19324	20280	22009
Denmark / Danemark	29455	30756	30462	32185	33626	35217
Finland / Finlande	26662	27592	27722	29925	30468	32736
France / France	26652	27772	27429	28324	29644	31048
Germany / Allemagne	26871	27587	28599	29936	30496	31950
Greece / Grèce	19918	21732	22573	24108	25472	27233
Hungary / Hongrie	13552	14722	15526	16251	17014	18154
Ireland / Irlande	30531	33036	34469	36416	38061	40716
Italy / Italie	27143	26804	27168	27425	27750	28866
Luxembourg / Luxembourg	53940	57546	60510	65006	69984	78138
Netherlands / Pays-Bas	30806	31943	31738	33243	34724	36548
Poland / Pologne	10957	11563	11998	13028	13573	14641
Portugal / Portugal	17811	18447	18812	19191	19967	20839
Slovak Republic / République slovaque	12077	12997	13493	14617	15881	17585
Spain / Espagne	22605	24067	24776	25985	27270	29382
Sweden / Suède	27980	29004	30097	32099	32770	34870
Switzerland / Suisse	32122	33391	33304	34572	35500	37747
United Kingdom / Royaume-Uni	27094	28357	29320	31336	31580	32990
Estonia / Estonie	..	..	..	..	16654	..
Slovenia / Slovénie	..	..	..	..	23004	..
EU15 total / Total UE15	26396	27300	27834	29046	29843	31364
OECD total / Total OCDE ¹	25638	26400	27145	28581	29849	31469

Source: OECD

Chart I.5

Share of intra in total merchandise exports of selected Regional Trade Agreements, 2007

(Percentage)



Source: WTO World Trade Statistics 2008

The EU's main trading partners

(+Moldova)

The major trade partners

Partners	Mio euro	%
World	2.665.926	100,0
1 USA	442.567	16,6
2 China	303.273	11,4
3 Russia	232.980	8,7
4 Switzerland	169.487	6,4
5 Japan	121.861	4,6
6 Norway	120.048	4,5
7 Turkey	99.509	3,7
8 Korea	64.396	2,4
9 India	55.743	2,1
10 Brazil	53.940	2,0
11 Canada	49.178	1,8
12 South Africa	41.378	1,6
13 Taiwan	39.331	1,5
14 Singapore	38.969	1,5
15 Saudi Arabia	38.321	1,4
16 Ukraine	34.760	1,3
17 Australia	34.478	1,3
18 WA_AO	34.255	1,3
19 Mexico	32.855	1,2
20 United Arab Emir.	32.562	1,2
76 Moldova	2.222	0,1

Source: EU Commission, DG Trade

EU trade policy priorities

- Multilateralism – Doha/WTO
- Regionalism in the neighbourhood
- “Preferential” policies with developing countries - EPAs
- Market access in growing in emerging economies:
 - Currently the EU’s main *preoccupations* in trade policy are Asia and Russia.

EU trade policy dilemmas with Eastern neighbours

- “Enlargement fatigue”
- Disentangling the complex nexus between trade, democratic reforms, EU membership, NATO membership, with the background of a resurgent Russia.