Al Readiness
Evaluation in
international
economy: challenges
in assessment for the
global trade

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The majority of current approaches in trade and trade policy instruments are designed for the analog world.

And huge fast-growing diversified AI-based markets are not fully visible for the regulations and analytics.

Al influence on the global trade: key dimensions

Dynamics

Trade cost reduction, transaction cost reduction, Indirect ad direct spillovers that are difficult for quantities assessment,

Trade in services

Transformation of "traditional services" (WTO classification) and creation of the new Al-driven ones; enhancing productivity in some sectors; new intersections between services for metaverse and Holographic-Type Communication (HTC), Al-based creative sectors

Trade in goods

ICT infrastructure, Al-based diversification of the goods

Trade policy architecture

Request for the new non-tariff measures, tariffs, Intersections with e-commerce and digital trade

Al tools for negotiating

Al tools for Aid for Trade

Source: Author's elaboration based on "Trading with intelligence: How AI shapes and is shaped by international trade". WTO 2024.

Al classification approach could be put in the center of further development and adoption of measures in trade policy

Al classification methods vary but the key aspects are data quality and Al model

Al lifecycle should be incorporated in trade policy designing

AI classification



Al lifecycle

Standards and regulations

Technical ICT related

Trade measures affecting the movement of Al professionals

Environmental

Ethics

Measures related to data

Collection method and provenance

Rights and identifiability

Data quality and appropriateness

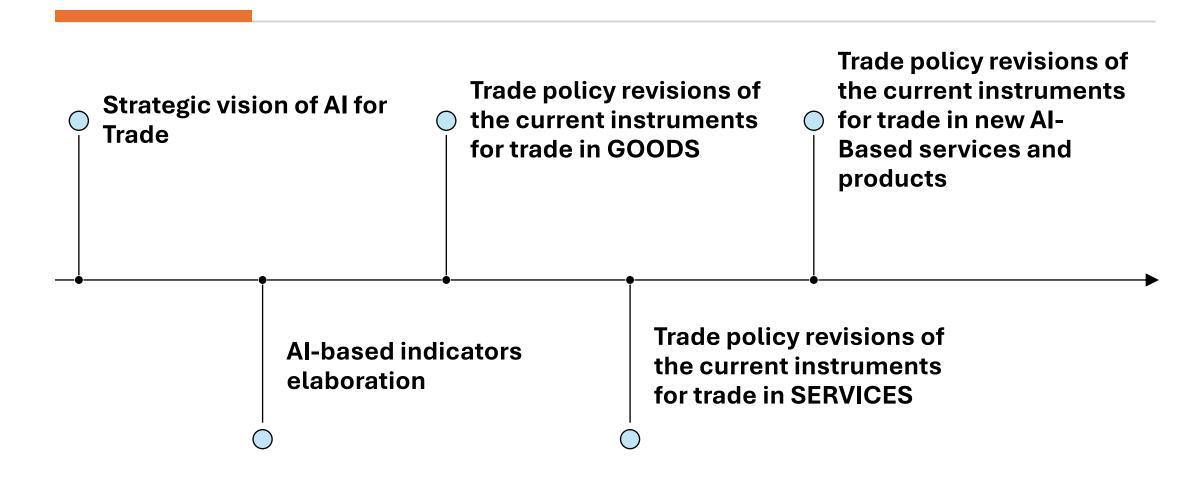
IP related measures

Al Models

Data sets

Al output in creative industries

Al for Trade Readiness assessment: key milestones



Questions for further discussion

Adding new indicators for macrolevel assessment incl.trade?

Revision of the UN COM Trade statistics, national level statistics. AI Readiness Trade Index, Global surveys?

Al risk assessment to the Al risk assessment for the global trade

Framework for the AI risk assessment in trade – national, regional and global levels

Services classification revision -

introduction of new types of AI-based services, AI lifecycle (unification of the approaches)

Non-tariff measures to be elaborated

TBT, cognitive influence assessment

Enhancing collaboration on trade issues within UN organizations and beyond

UNCTAD, UNCITRAL, ITU + WTO, WIPO

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