

## Abbreviations and acronyms

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AAMS	Associated African and Malagasy States
AAS	African Associated States
AB	Appellate Body
ACP	African, Caribbean, and Pacific States
AEC	African Economic Community
AFD	Agence Française de Développement
AfDB	African Development Bank
AfT	Aid for Trade
AGOA	African Growth and Opportunity Act
ANC	African National Congress
ANSA	Angola, Namibia, and South Africa
APRM	African Peer Review Mechanism
ASEAN	Association of Southeast Asian Nations
AU	African Union
BLMNS	Botswana, Lesotho, Mozambique, Namibia, Swaziland
BLNS	Botswana, Lesotho, Namibia, Swaziland
BLS	Botswana, Lesotho, Swaziland
BSO	business support office
CAFEIN	CARIFORUM EPA Implementation Network
CAFTA	Central America Free Trade Agreement
CAP	Common Agricultural Policy
CARICOM	Caribbean Community
CARIFORUM	Caribbean Forum
CCP	common commercial policy
CEAO	Economic Community of West Africa
CEB	Council of Europe Development Bank
C-EPA	CARIFORUM EPA

CET	common external tariff
CETA	EU-Canada Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement
CFSP	Common Foreign and Security Policy (EU)
CJEU	Court of Justice of the European Union
CMA	Common Monetary Area
COMESA	Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa
CONSAS	Constellation of Southern African States
CONSEA	Constellation of Southern African Economies
COSATU	Congress of Southern African Trade Unions
CPA	Cotonou Partnership Agreement
CRIP	Caribbean Regional Indicative Programme
CRNM	Caribbean Regional Negotiating Machinery
CRP	Common Revenue Pool
CRTA	Committee on Regional Trade Agreements
CSME	Caribbean Single Market and Economy
CTD	Committee for Trade and Development
CTG	Committee for Trade in Goods
CTPSDP	Caribbean Trade and Private Sector Development Programme
CU	customs union
DFID	Department for International Development
DFQF	duty free quota free
DG DEVCO	Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development
DR-CAFTA	Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement
DSB	Dispute Settlement Body
DSU	Dispute Settlement Understanding
EAC	East African Community
EBA	Everything But Arms
EBRD	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
	European Community
EC	European Community

ECCAS	Economic Community of Central African States
ECOWAS	Economic Community of West African States
ECSC	European Coal and Steel Community
EDF	European Development Fund
EEC	European Economic Community
EFSI	European Fund for Strategic Investments
EFTA	European Free Trade Area
EIB	European Investment Bank
EPA	Economic Partnership Agreement
ESA	Eastern and Southern Africa
EU	European Union
FCORs	French Caribbean Outermost Regions
FDI	foreign direct investment
FLS	Frontline States
FTA	Free Trade Agreement
FTAA	Free Trade Area of the Americas
FYR	Former Yugoslav Republic
GATS	General Agreement on Trade in Services
GATT	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
GBLF	Grant and Loan Blending Facility
GDP	gross domestic product
GNI	Gross National Income
GSP	Generalised System of Preferences
HCTs	High Commission Territories
HIPCs	Heavily Indebted Poor Countries
ICJ	International Court of Justice
IDC	Independent Development Corporation
IEPA	interim economic partnership agreement
ILO	International Labour Organisation
IMF	International Monetary Fund
IPE	international political economy
ISI	Import Substitution Industrialisation
ITO	International Trade Organisation

LDC	Least Developed Country
LLDC	Landlocked Least Developed Country
LPA	Lagos Plan of Action
MDC	Maputo Development Corridor
MDGs	Millennium Development Goals
MERCOSUR	Mercado Común del Sur
MFN	most favoured nation
MIF	Multilateral Investment Fund
MRAs	Mutual Recognition Agreements
NAFTA	North American Free Trade Agreement
NEPAD	New Partnership for Africa's Development
NGO	non-governmental organisation
NIP	National Indicative Programme
NRT	New Regionalism Theory
NSA	non-state actors
OAU	Organisation of African Unity
OCTs	Overseas Countries and Territories
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
OECS	Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States
OHCHR	Office of the High Commissioner on Human Rights
PRSP	Poverty Reduction Strategy Papers
PTA	preferential trade agreement
QR	quantitative restriction
REC	Regional Economic Community
RIFF	Regional Integration Facilitation Forum
RIP	Regional Indicative Programme
RISDP	Regional Indicative Strategic Development Plan
RMA	Rand Monetary Area
ROO	rules of origin
RTA	Regional Trade Agreement
SACU	Southern African Customs Union
SADC	Southern African Development Community

SADCC	Southern African Development Coordination Conference
SAPP	Southern African Power Pool
SAPs	structural adjustment programmes
SDGs	Sustainable Development Goals
SDI	Spatial Development Initiative
SDT	Special and Differential Treatment
SEA	Single European Act
SIA	Sustainability Impact Assessment
SMEs	small and medium-sized enterprises
SPS	sanitary and phytosanitary
TBT	technical barriers to trade
TDCA	Trade, Development and Cooperation Agreement
TED	turtle excluder device
TEU	Treaty on European Union
TFEU	Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union
TISA	Trade in Services Agreement
TPP	Trans-Pacific Partnership
TRIPs	Trade Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights
TTIP	Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership
UN	United Nations
UNECA	United Nations Economic Commission for Africa
UNICE	Confederation of European Business
WTO	World Trade Organization