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# STRATEGIC OUTLOOK ON EU TRADE POLICY



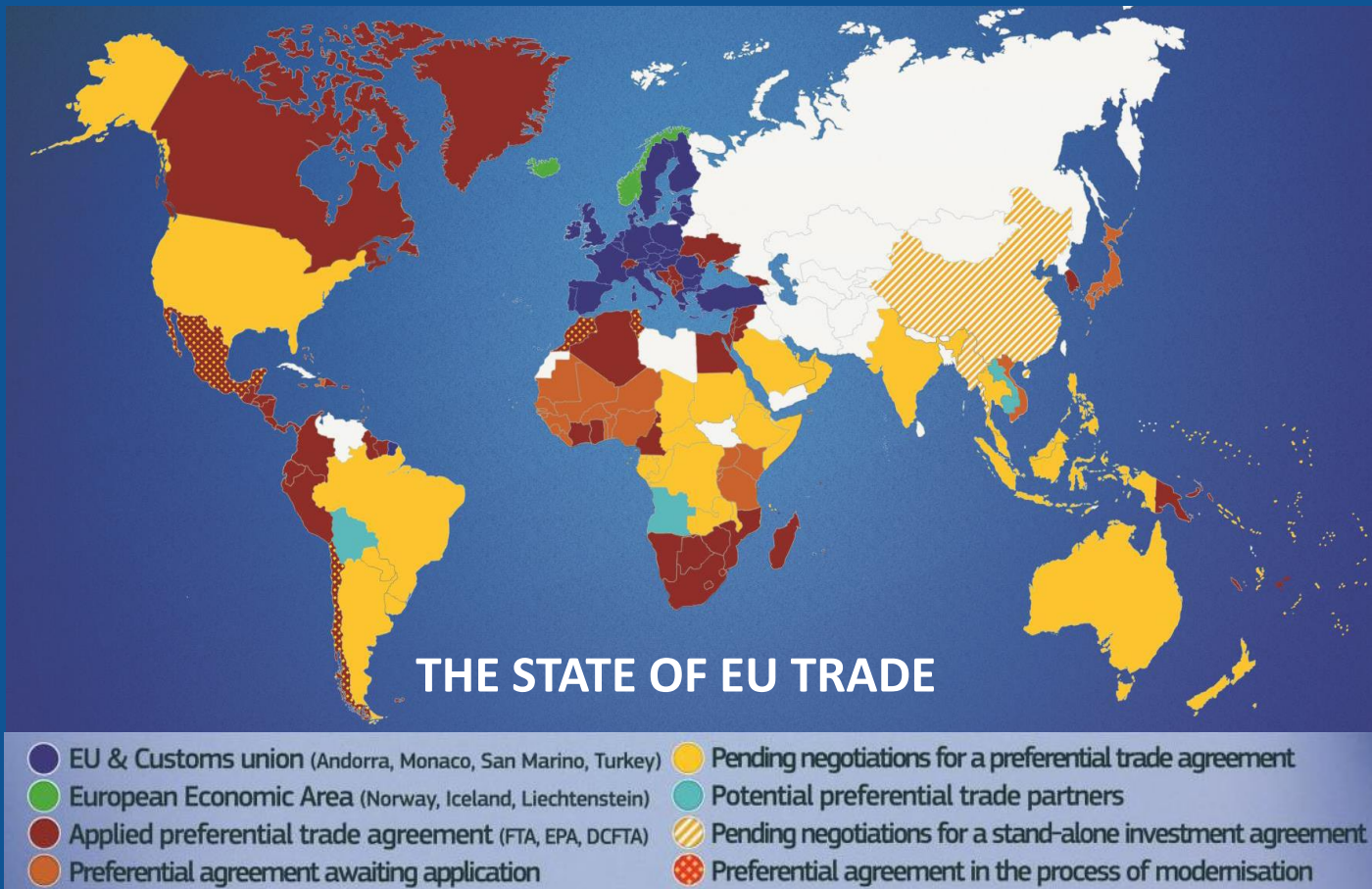


## STRUCTURE OF THE PRESENTATION:

1. EU in global trade
2. Crisis of the international trading order
3. No protection in protectionism
4. The need to modernise international rules
5. EU-US trade relationship
6. A trade policy that efficiently protects EU's companies, workers and citizens
7. A transparent and value-based trade policy

# 1. EU IN GLOBAL TRADE

- Number one global trading actor > internationalisation of economy
- EU at the centre of a comprehensive network of trade agreements (39 agreements with 69 partners across the world)



## 2. CRISIS OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRADING ORDER

- International trade system with World Trade Organisation at its core





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- Actions of individual players and their impact on international system



### 3. NO PROTECTION IN PROTECTIONISM

- Protectionism does not protect



### 3. PROTECTIONISM

- Protectionism generates political tensions



TRADE  
WARS

## 4. MODERNISATION OF INTERNATIONAL RULES

WORLD TRADE  
ORGANISATION



Updating existing  
international trade rules



Ending WTO Appellate  
Body crisis



# 5. EFFORTS TO MANAGE EU – US TRADE RELATIONSHIP



EXECUTIVE  
WORKING  
GROUP



## 6. EU TRADE POLICY

### OBJECTIVE:

Efficiently protecting EU's companies, workers and citizens

- Reactions to US measures on steel and aluminium plus Safeguard measures
- Modernisation of Trade Defence Instruments
- Active use of Dispute settlement mechanism

## 7. TRANSPARENCY AND VALUES

- A transparent trade policy
- Civil society dialogues, public consultations, etc.



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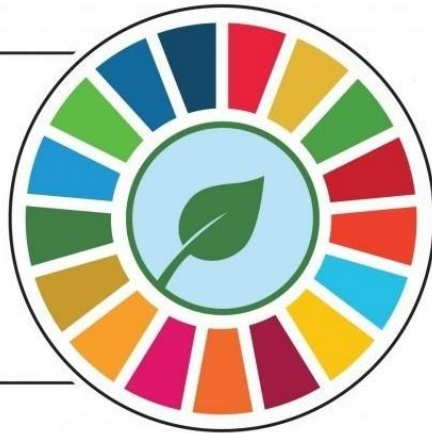
- Trade and sustainable development chapter
- Preferential trade systems: GSP, GSP+, EBA



International  
Labour  
Organization

**HUMAN  
RIGHTS**

UNITED NATIONS  
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AGREEMENT**



**SANCTIONS**

*Questions?*



***Thank you for your attention!***