

CEFTA DISPUTE SETTLEMENT MECHANISM

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WHY DO WE NEED REFORM ON DSM?

Trade irritants and disputes must be resolved to avoid negatively affecting overall integration and relations among CEFTA Parties, and this should be achieved through a simple, efficient, and effective dispute settlement mechanism;



Rule-based, independent, impartial, and ultimately able to achieve compliance and guarantee enforcement;



Dispute settlement should be preceded and complemented by discussions on a technical and bilateral level, such as those initiated through the Market Access Data Base (MADB);

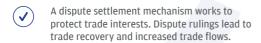


Similar framework to the one available at the multilateral level under the WTO system.

BENEFITS AND ADVANTAGES OF THE CEFTA DSM:

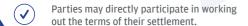














THE REAL PROPERTY.

- Negotiations are ongoing Parties are making great effort to ensure a mechanism that is a fast, transparent, flexible, and cost-effective.
- The CEFTA DSM will be preceded and complemented by bilateral discussions at a technical level, such as those initiated through the Market Access Barriers Database (MABD)
- Additional Protocol 7 (AP7) to CEFTA
 Agreement will deliver formal rules
 and procedures for the settlement of
 trade disputes between CEFTA Parties

