

INTRODUCTION

- SADC FTA to be launched this year
- SADC Trade Protocol and Implementation
 RISDP strategic document
- · Objectives of STP
 - * FTA by 2008
 - CU by 2010
 - Common markets by 2015
 - * Macroeconomic Convergence targets





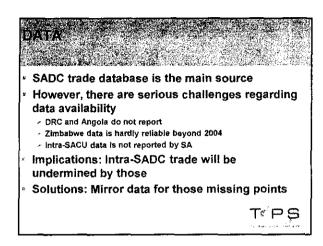
- According to RISDP, in order to achieve the set goals, SADC will:
 - Eliminate tariffs,
 - Eliminate non tariff barriers,
 - -Adopt common rules of origin,
 - -Harmonise customs rules and procedures,
 - Harmonise SPS measures,
 - Attain internationally acceptable SQAM and
 - Liberalize trade in services

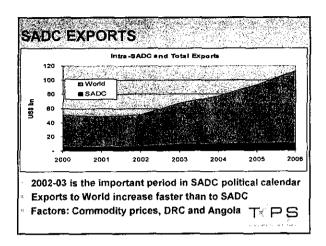




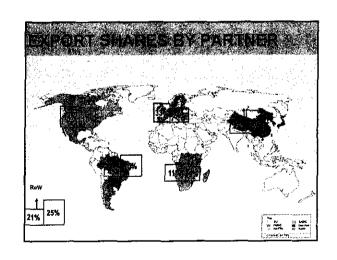
- Evaluate Intra-SADC trade performance focusing specifically on export side;
 - Evaluating intra-SADC export Share
 - . Comparing intra-SADC share with other RTAs
 - * Examining intra-country Share
- Period: 2000 2006

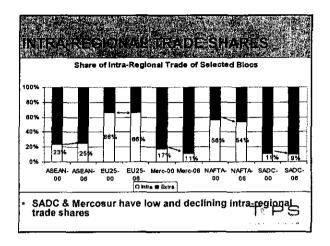
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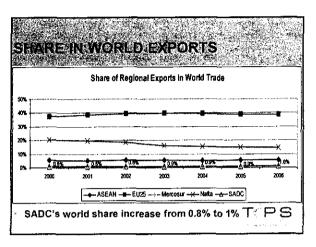


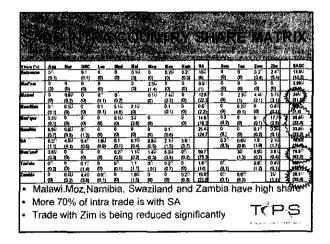


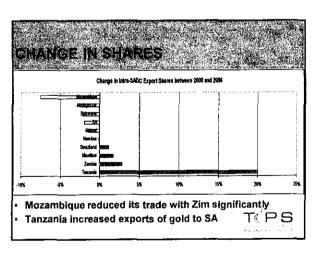
	Products	Value (US\$ bn)	Share of	Products	Value (US\$	Share of
No	Total	51.3	100.0%	Total	113.5	100.0%
1	Mineral fuels and oils	10.5	20.3%	Mineral fuels and oils	37.4	32.9%
2	Pearls and precious metals	9.8	19.2%	Pearls and precious	21.9	19.3%
3	Iron and steet	3.6	7.1%	Iron and steel	6.8	6.0%
4	Vehicles	1.9	3.7%	Vehicles	5.0	4.4%
5	Machinery	1.8	3.5%	Machinery	4.9	4.3%
	Others	23.7	46.2%	Others	76.0	32.5%











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- Rise in Commodity Prices
- Recovery of Angola and DRC, and their trade partners
- Lack of complementarity between member states
- Mineral based projects and other EPZ
- Prohibitive RoO
- Inappropriate signals by members
- Weaknesses in manufacturing, supply side response and infrastructure



CONCLUSIONS

Implementation of the trade protocol has actually resulted in low intra-SADC trade shares

The drivers of this trend are hardly related to the STP implementation

Other objectives of the STP that may have impact have not realized enough progress, e.g. RoO, SPS and policy issues Countries which were back loading have not applied their phased down schedules

For FTA to be implemented, trade facilitation must be fast tracked, industrial development must be prioritised and enforcement mechanisms must be designed



