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SPS/WTO Agreement and international trade in agrofood

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Context

- ❖ Increasing of population.
- ❖ Increasing consumption in developing countries due to
- ❖ Increasing of incomes.
- ❖ Increasing risks.
- ❖ Consumers more exigent.
- ❖ Higher standards in animal health, plant protection and food safety.

Sanitary global system



Convención Internacional de Protección Fitosanitaria
Proteger de las plagas los recursos vegetales del mundo

Public sector

- International organizations:
WTO (SPS), OIE, IPPC, CODEX
- National competent authorities.

Private sector

Producers, industry, professionals, consumers.

World Trade Organization (WTO)



In brief, the World Trade Organization (WTO) is the only international organization dealing with the global rules of trade. Its main function is to ensure that trade flows as smoothly, predictably and freely as possible.

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➤ Sanitary and Phytosanitary Agreement (SPS)

- ✓ Transparency.
- ✓ Harmonization.
- ✓ Equivalence.
- ✓ Regionalization
- ✓ Risk assessment.

Scientific based measures.

Conclusions: new strategies

Food chain

- Control of process: farm to fork.
- Risk analysis (assessment, management and communication).
- Traceability. Animal welfare.
- Biodiversity. Environment.
- **ONE HEALTH APPROACH**



Proposals: how to enhance?

Working on multidisciplinary teams. Public and private.

- Sharing information and responsibilities.
- Capacity building. Training programs.
- Active participation in International Organizations.

Thank you for your attention

