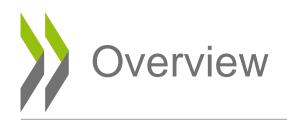


### OECD WORK ON REGIONAL TRADE AGREEMENTS AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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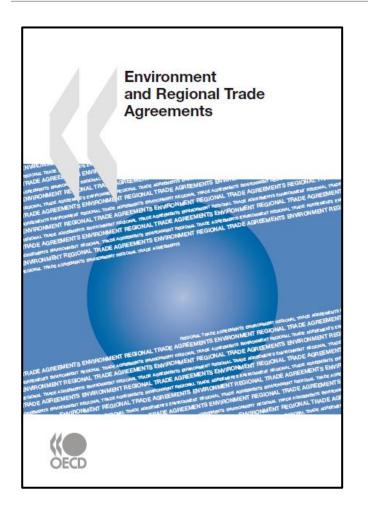




- Recap of past OECD Work on RTAs and the Environment
- Ongoing Work: Implementation of Environmental provisions, Analysis of Environmental Effects
- Greening RTAs: Objectives for this Workshop



# Environment and RTAs: major study published in 2007



- Assimilating the 'state of the art' for environmental provisions in RTAs
- Approaches for including environmental concerns in RTAs
- Drivers for including environmental provisions and negotiation issues
- Benefits of environmental provisions, directly and indirectly



# 2008-2014: Annual updates...and further analysis of provisions

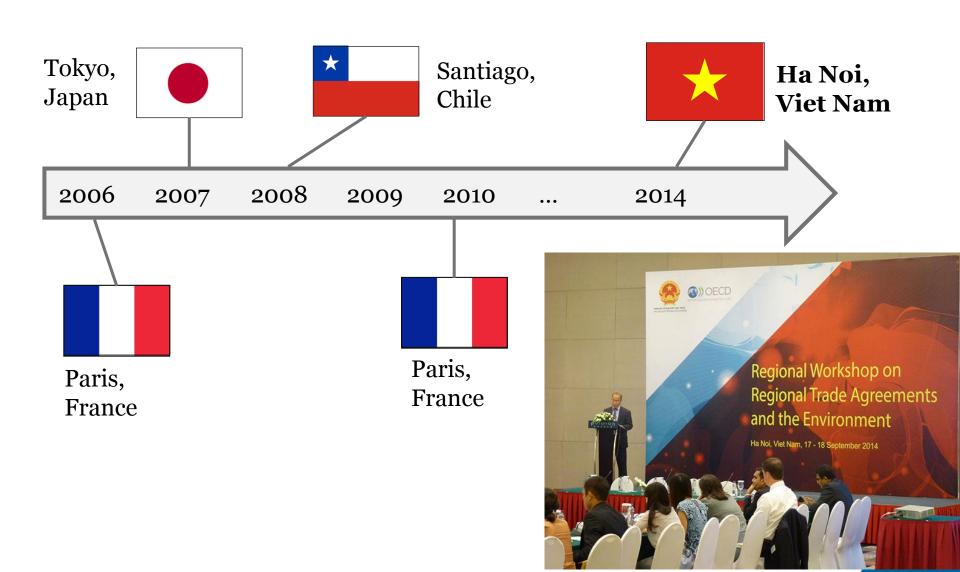


Annual updates of the 2007 publication





# Workshops: OECD members, non-member countries and experts





#### Implementation of Environmental Provisions

Survey + desk analysis

#### • Empirical Assessment of effects of Environmental Provisions

 Effects of Environmental Provisions in RTAs on a basket of environmental indicators



### Workshop on Greening RTAs

• **Focus**: Chapters of RTAs that are concerned mainly with issues other than the environment

#### Objectives:

- Highlight the opportunities in greening RTAs;
- Take stock of current experience and insights in greening RTAs;
- Identify key knowledge gaps & possible way forward.