



Producing and trading toward AfCFTA markets : understanding the Rules of Origin

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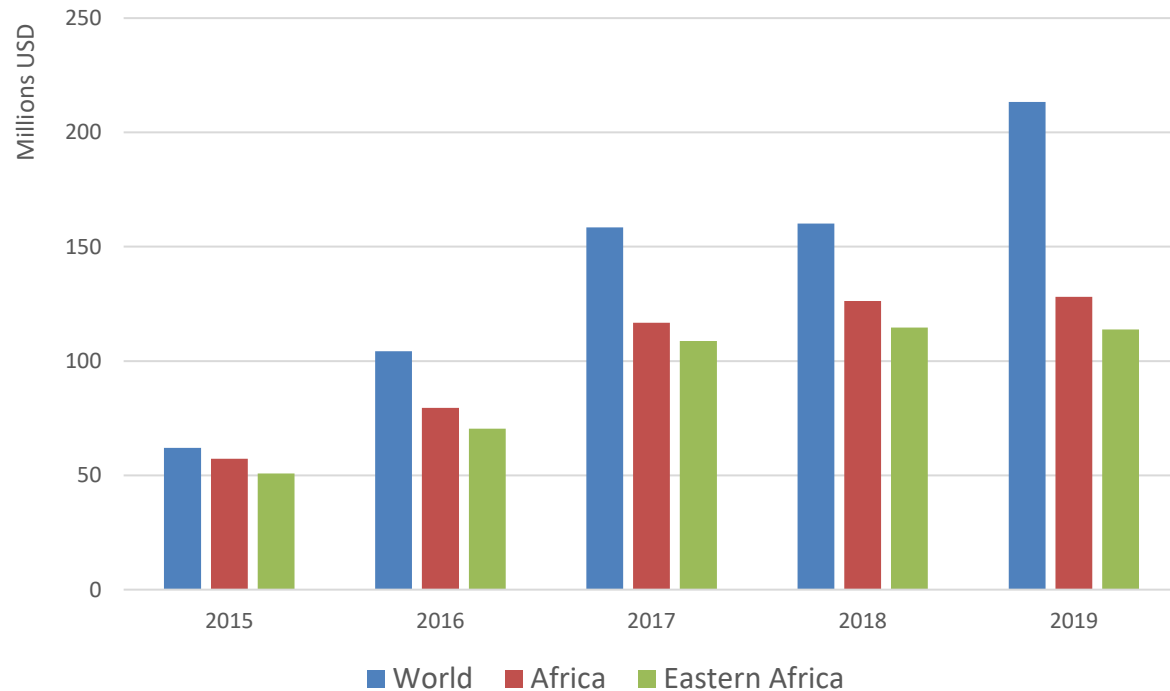
AfCFTA to trade beyond national and regional markets



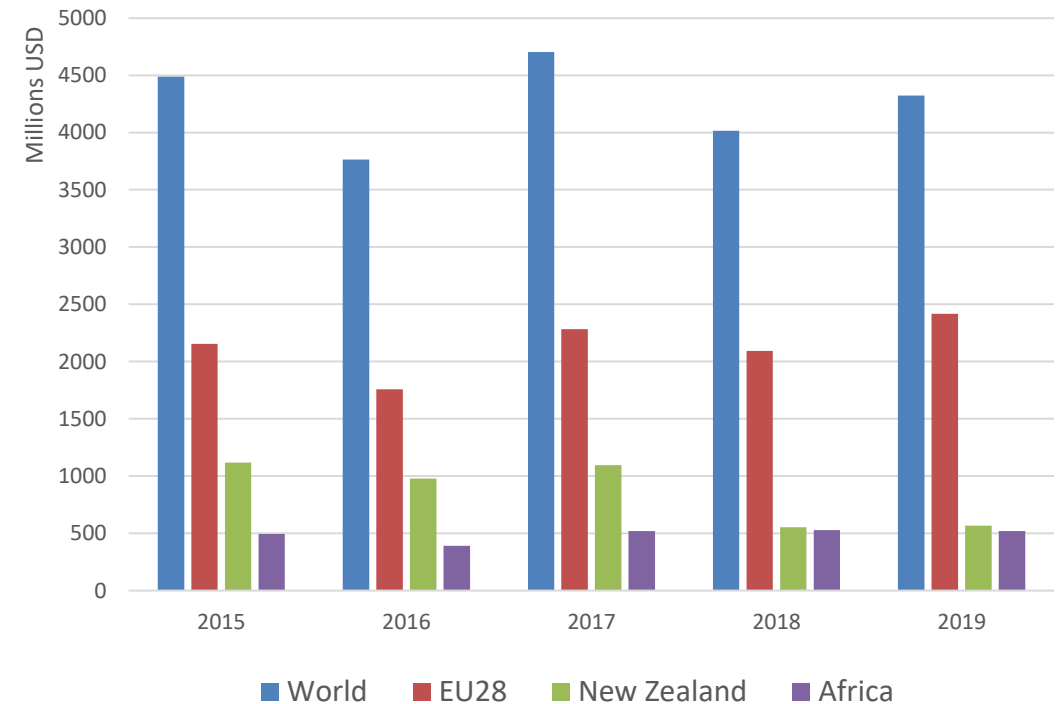
- ❑ Dairy products from EA traded mainly in regional markets;
- ❑ Dairy products composed mainly of Milk, cream and milk products --- low value added for by products such as butter



Exports of Dairy products by EA region



Africa's imports of Dairy products by main import partners

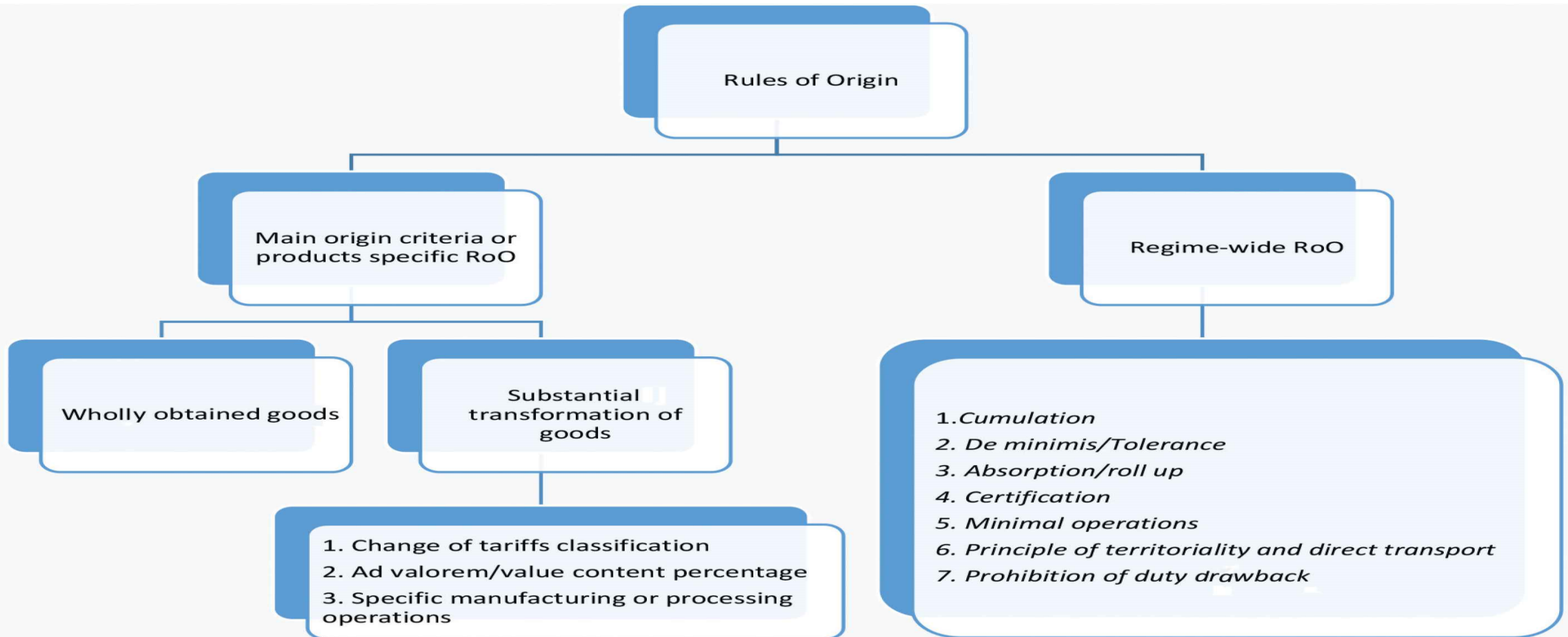


Source: data from UNCTADstat

Rules of Origin : Concept and definition



Rules of Origin : “economic nationality” of a product



Understanding the AfCFTA: Rules of origin (RoO)



Cocoa grown in Côte d'Ivoire and processed into chocolate in Ghana or Côte d'Ivoire and exported to Ethiopia



Cocoa grown and processed into Cocoa Butter in Brazil then exported and packaged in Côte d'Ivoire and re-exported to South Africa



X% Burkina Faso cotton mixed with Y% Indian cotton then processed into cotton yarn in Burkina Faso and exported to Cameroon (X and Y to be determined with AfCFTA RoO)



Rules of origin under the AfCFTA

RoO under the AfCFTA

Wholly obtained in AfCFTA member

e.g. live animals born and raised in a State Party; mineral products extracted from the ground, food products grown and harvested in the member country

Undergone **substantial**

transformation in a state party

e.g. Cocoa beans to chocolate, cotton lint to fabrics, etc.

Operations not conferring origin under the AfCFTA

(a) operations exclusively intended to preserve Products in good condition during storage and transportation;

(b) breaking-up or assembly of packages;

(c) washing, cleaning or operations to remove dust, oxide, oil, paint or other coverings from a Product;

(d) simple ironing or pressing operations;

(e) simple painting or polishing operations;

(f) husking, partial or total bleaching, polishing or glazing of cereals and rice;

(g) operations to colour sugar or form sugar lumps, partial or total milling of crystal sugar;

(h) peeling, stoning or shelling of vegetables of Chapter 7, fruits of Chapter 8, nuts of Heading 08.01 or 08.02 or groundnuts of Heading 12.02, fruits, nuts or vegetables;

(i) sharpening, simple grinding or simple cutting;

(j) simple sifting, screening, sorting, classifying, grading or matching;

(k) simple packaging operations, such as placing in bottles, cans, flasks, bags, cases, boxes or fixing on cards or boards;

(l) affixing or printing marks, labels, logos, and other like distinguishing signs on the Products or their packaging;

(m) simple mixing of Materials, whether or not of different kinds; which does not include an operation that causes a chemical reaction;

(n) simple assembling of parts of articles to constitute a complete article;

(o) a combination of two or more operations specified in subparagraphs (a) to (n); and

(p) slaughter of animals.

Compliance documents to the RoO



Appendix II

AFRICAN CONTINENTAL FREE TRADE AREA

ORIGIN DECLARATION

(Article 17(1) (b), 19 and 20)

The text of the Origin Declaration must be made as given below:

I / We, _____, being the exporter of the goods covered by this document declare(s) that, the goods are of _____ origin

(indicate the African Continental Free Trade Area States Party)

and the origin criterion applicable to these goods

is _____

(insert wholly obtained or substantially transformed, as may be applicable)

Place and Date of Declaration

Authorised Exporter's Signature

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Appendix III

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SUPPLIER OR PRODUCER'S DECLARATION

(Article 31(2))

A. SUPPLIER OR PRODUCER'S DECLARATION FOR PRODUCTS HAVING PREFERENTIAL ORIGIN STATUS

I, the undersigned, declare that the goods listed on invoice

_____ (1)

were produced in _____ (2)

and satisfy the rules of origin governing preferential trade between the African Continental Free Trade Area States Parties.

I undertake to make available to the Designated Competent Authority, if required, evidence in support of this declaration.

_____ (3)

_____ (4)

_____ (5)

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What have we learnt ?



In each of the bellow cases, identify whether a good could comply with AfCFTA RoO (Yes) or not (NO)

A. Livestock (cattle) raised in Niger and exported into Nigeria market for final consumption Yes No

B. Tea in bulk imported from China by a South African-based company, who further prepared tea bags in a factory in Johannesburg and intend to export the final branded products into Angola market. Yes No

C. Cocoa beans from Ghana exported to Brazil and processed into powder and then shipped to Kenya for further processing into chocolate bars Yes No

D. Copper mined in DRC and processed into wire in South Africa and Namibia
Yes No



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