

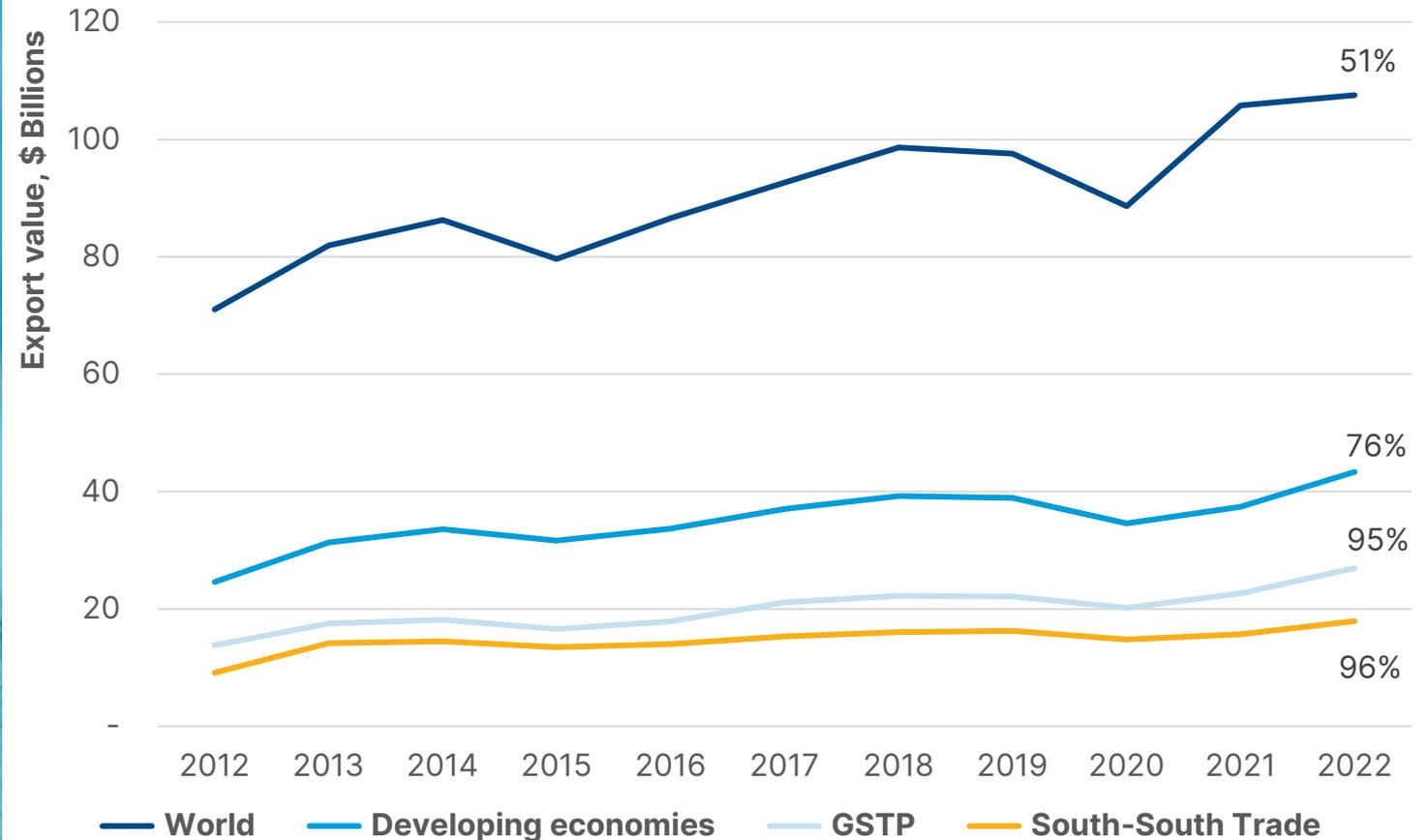
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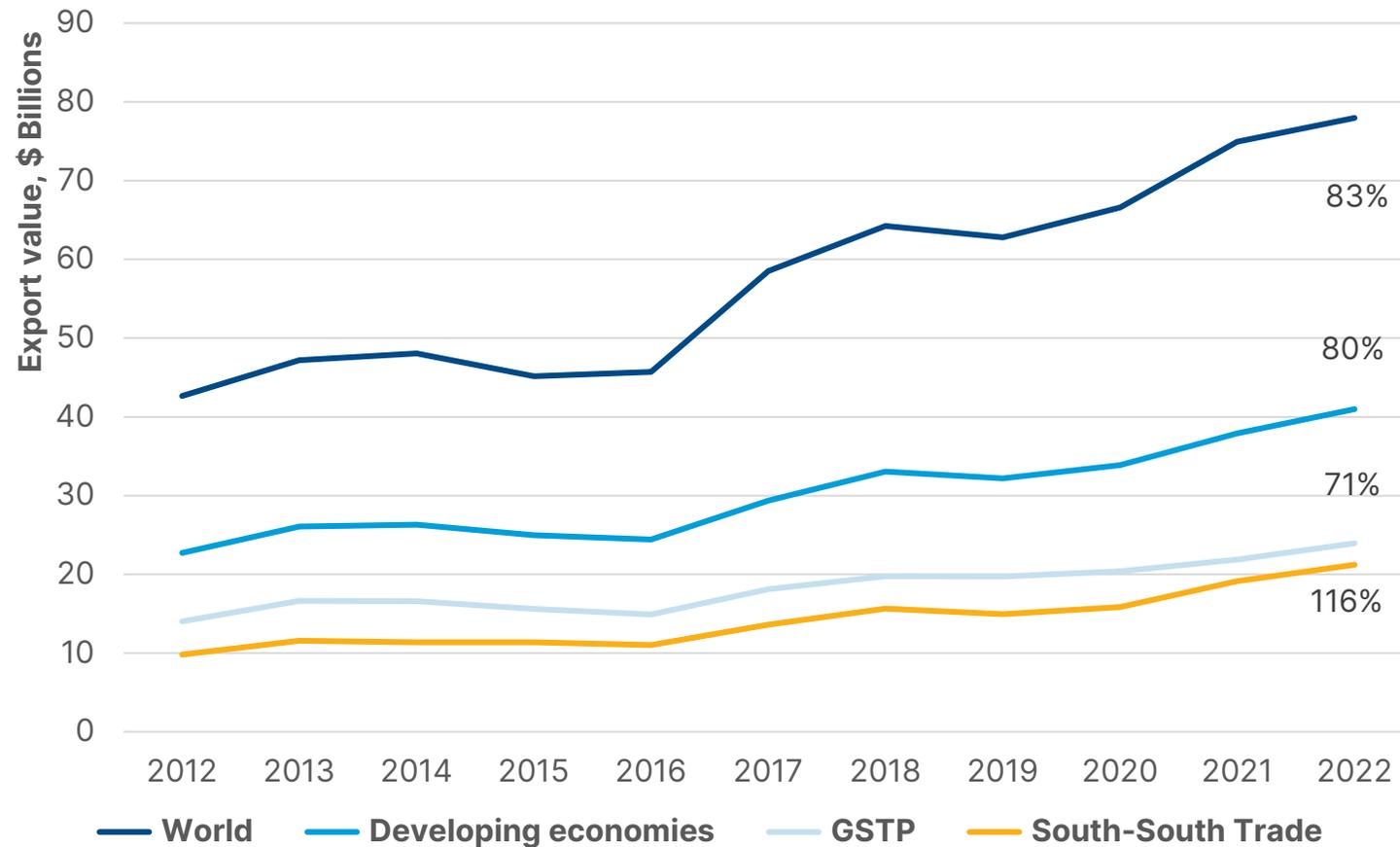
Harnessing the GSTP potential  
to enhance South-South trade  
in fisheries and aquaculture  
products

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➤ **Developing countries and GSTP participants export growth rates in primary marine fisheries and aquaculture surpasses global rates over the last decade (2012–2022).**

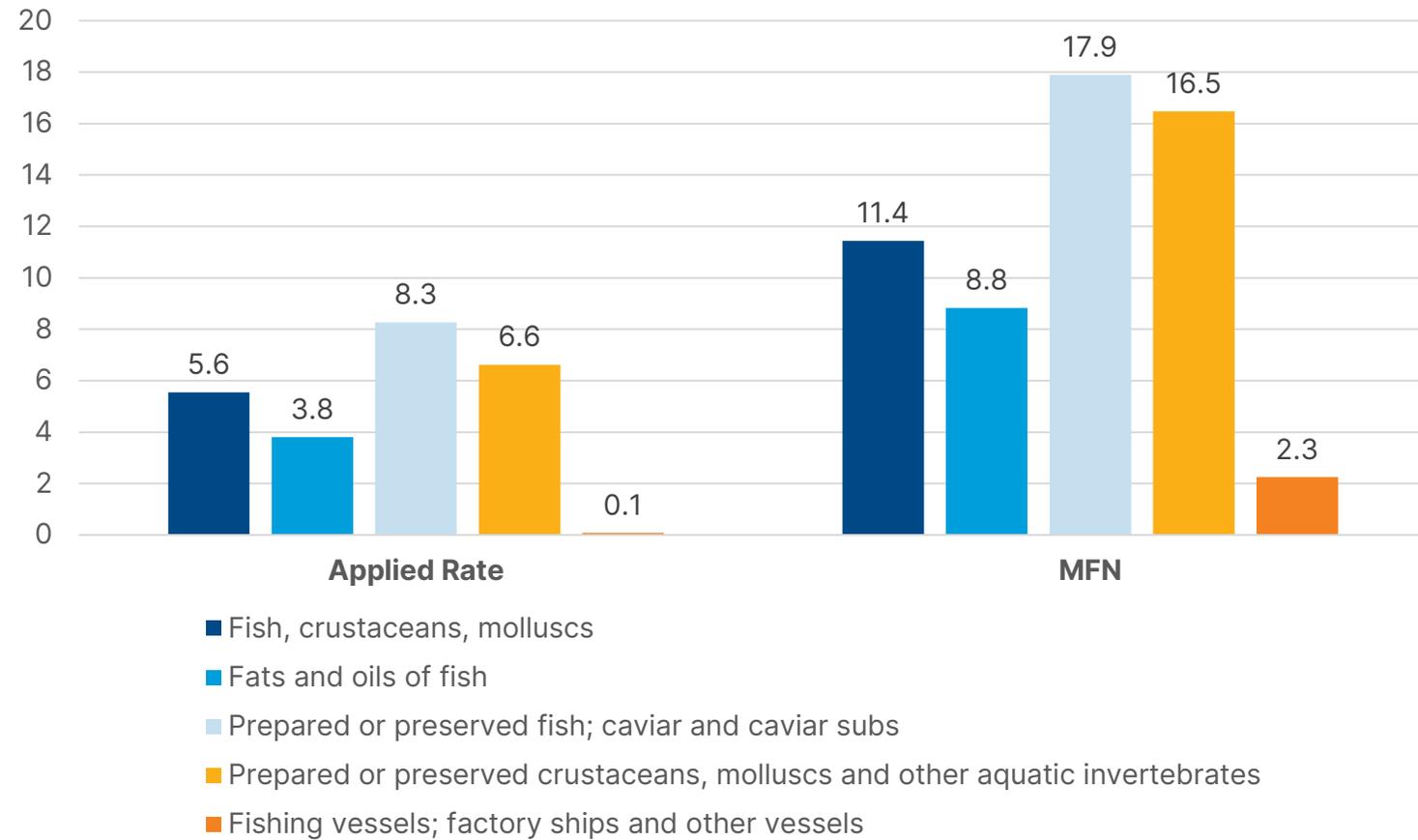


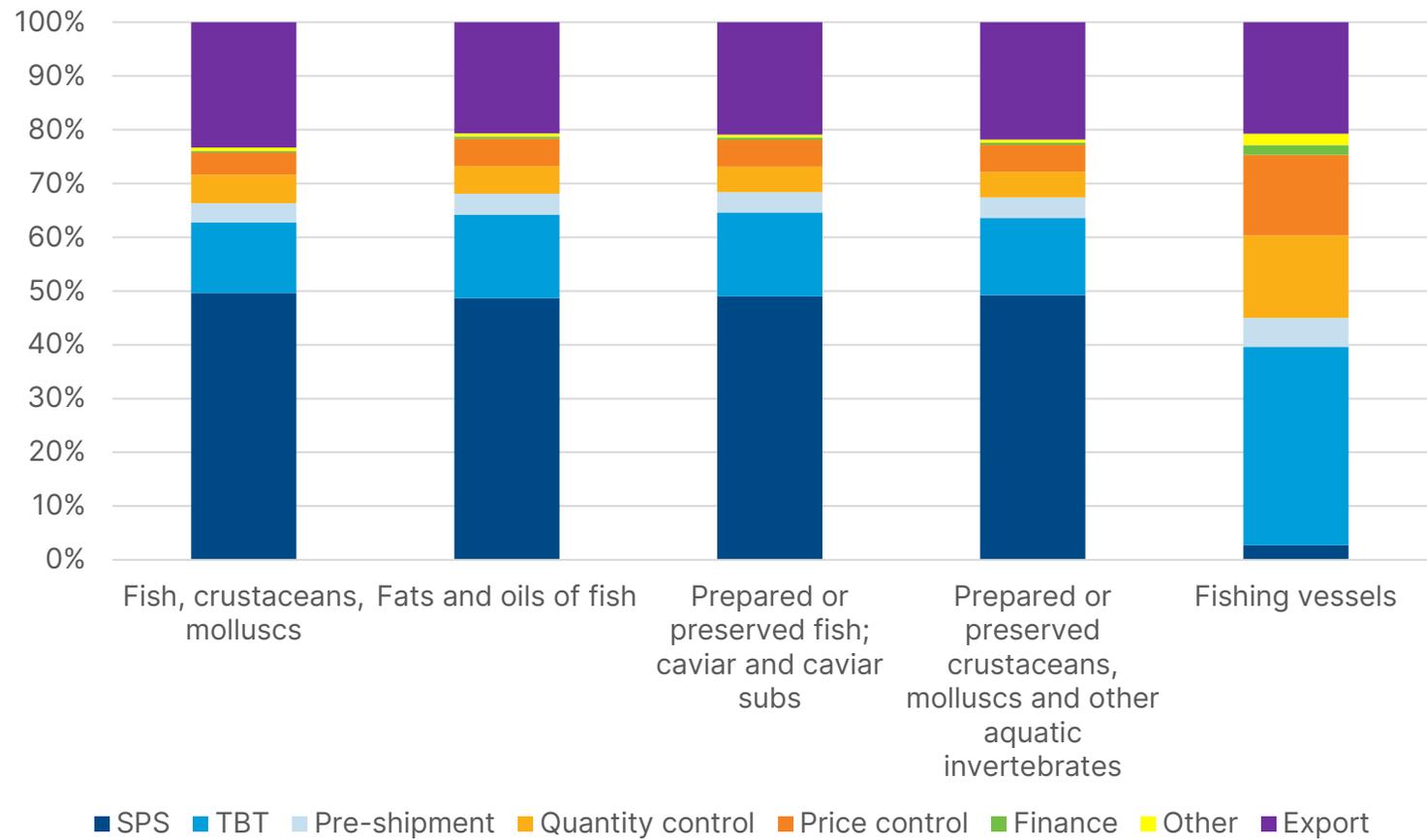


➤ **South-South trade in seafood processed products has outpaced global exports of primary products in the last decade (2012-2022).**



➤ **Tariff reductions could support intra-GSTP trade growth in ocean-based products, particularly on an inter-regional basis.**





➤ **SPS and TBT strongly affect food products, while vessels face TBT and quantity control measures.**





➤ A large number of GSTP participants have a comparative advantage in ocean-based products, with limited overlapping.



# Recommendation: Make use of the **GSTP** or other forms of **South-South trade cooperation** under the **WTO Enabling clause** to secure **diversification & resilience** under an uncertain geopolitical scenario



## Article 4 a & b:

Arrangements related to **tariffs and para-tariffs**



## Article 4 c:

Arrangements related to **non-tariff measures**



## Article 4 d:

Arrangements related to **direct trade measures** such as **medium and long-term contracts**



## Article 4 e:

Arrangements related to **sectoral agreements**

# Thank you

