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Possible Effects of Global Trends on Turkish Agricultural Products Foreign Trade

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ABSTRACT

In the last century, developments in technology, especially in information and communication technologies and telecommunications, have accelerated the globalization of the world, turning the whole world into a small village. In the same period, country borders were eliminated with the establishment of economic integration, especially in the Americas and the European continent. With the rapid spread of liberalization, world trade has also grown significantly. Against these changes and transformations in the world, developing countries have tried to protect themselves and their economies with customs walls in order to protect themselves from the destructive effects of globalization. In this century, despite international agreements such as GATT, the agricultural sector is one of the protected sectors of the countries. II. The understanding of liberalization in foreign trade after the World War could not be valid in the agricultural sector. With a number of practices led by developed countries, countries have imposed tariff and non-tariff barriers on imports of agricultural products in order to protect and develop agricultural production. With the influence of the World Trade Organization, which was later established, trade in agricultural products was tried to be liberalized. The agricultural sector has a special and important place in the Turkish economy. Turkey has entered a trend towards losing its potential to be a self-sufficient country in agricultural production. Exports of agricultural-based industrial products have an important place in Türkiye's exports. It is important to gain competitiveness in the agricultural sector with effective policies and to seriously follow global trends and tendencies during the creation of these policies. Therefore, the aim of this study is to examine the foreign trade of agricultural products in Turkey, to reveal the factors affecting the foreign trade of agricultural products and to make policy recommendations.

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