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Resumen:

El comercio es una herramienta fundamental para la consecución del desarrollo sostenible, y portal motivo el presente trabajo busca analizar si el acuerdo comercial entre Ecuador y Reino Unido contribuye al desarrollo del Ecuador. Para llevar a cabo el estudio se utilizaron las metodologías de estudio descriptivo, análisis descriptivo, análisis correlacional y análisis temático. Como principales hallazgos se encuentra que este acuerdo representa una amplia contribución al Ecuador en los temas comercial, laboral y ambiental. Sin embargo, existen limitaciones y áreas de mejora que afectan la operatividad de este acuerdo, definidas como la dificultad de encontrar evidencia clara y estadística sobre el cumplimiento de los ODS, y la falta de coercitividad que el apartado sobre comercio y desarrollo sostenible tiene a fin de hacerse cumplir. No obstante, este acuerdo, en esencia, sienta las bases para una mayor cooperación y un enfoque conjunto hacia un desarrollo sostenible en ambos países.

Palabras clave: Acuerdo comercial, Desarrollo Sostenible, Ecuador, Reino Unido, Relación Internacional.

Abstract:

Trade is a fundamental tool for the achievement of sustainable development, and for this reason this paper seeks to analyze if the trade agreement between Ecuador and the United Kingdom contributes to Ecuador's development. In order to carry out the study, methodologies of descriptive study, descriptive analysis, correlational analysis and thematic analysis were used. The main findings are that this agreement represents a broad contribution to Ecuador in trade, labor and environmental issues. However, there are limitations and areas for improvement that affect the operability of this agreement, defined as the difficulty of finding clear and statistical evidence on compliance with the SDGs, and the lack of coerciveness that the section on trade and sustainable development has in order to be enforced. Nevertheless, this agreement, in essence, lays the groundwork for greater cooperation and an approach to sustainable development in both countries.

Keywords: Ecuador, International Relations, Sustainable Development, Trade Agreement, United Kingdom



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