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Negotiating the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement: A Comparative Study between Malaysia, Singapore, and Vietnam

Malaysia, Singapore, and Vietnam are highly open, trade-dependent Southeast Asian economies. Despite shared vulnerabilities to global powers and willingness to adapt to change, each country approached the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) negotiations differently. This study argues that while structural factors influenced the states' respective strategies, it was domestic factors, particularly elite legitimation, that ultimately determined their distinct negotiation approaches.