



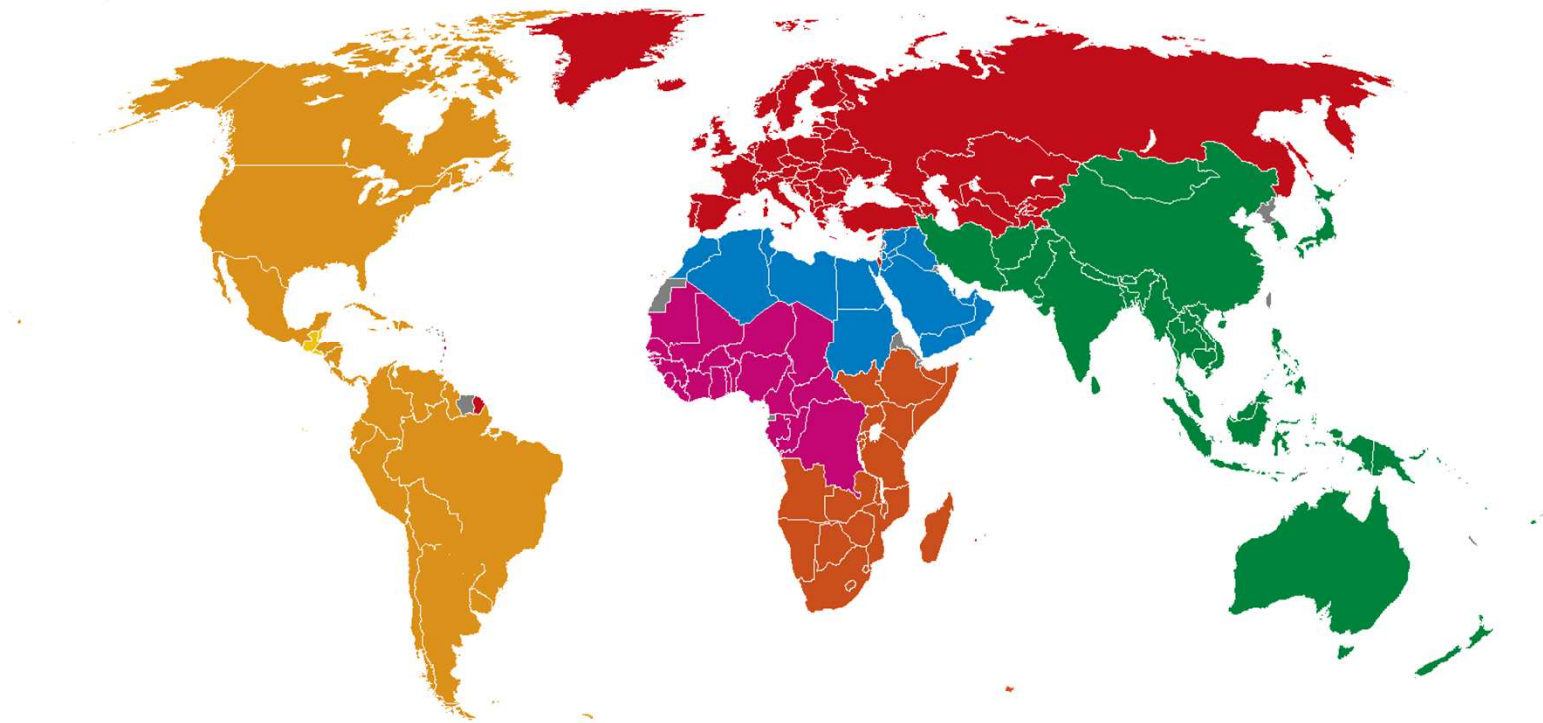
**Presentation
on the
World
Customs
Organization**



An organization with global reach




182* Members divided into 6 regions, responsible for processing 98% of international trade
(* plus the European Union which, since July 2007, has rights akin to those of a WCO Member for matters falling within its competences as an interim measure.)





 South America, North America, Central America and the Caribbean

 Europe

 Far East, South and South East Asia, Australia and the Pacific Islands

 North of Africa, Near and Middle East

 West and Central Africa

 East and Southern Africa



WCO Mission

- To study all questions relating to co-operation in Customs matters
- To examine the technical aspects of Customs systems with a view to attaining the highest possible degree of harmony and uniformity
- To prepare Conventions and amendments to Conventions
- To make recommendations to ensure the uniform interpretation and application of the Conventions
- To furnish information or advice
- To help its Members to respond to modern challenges
- **To co-operate with other inter-governmental organizations**



International Cooperation

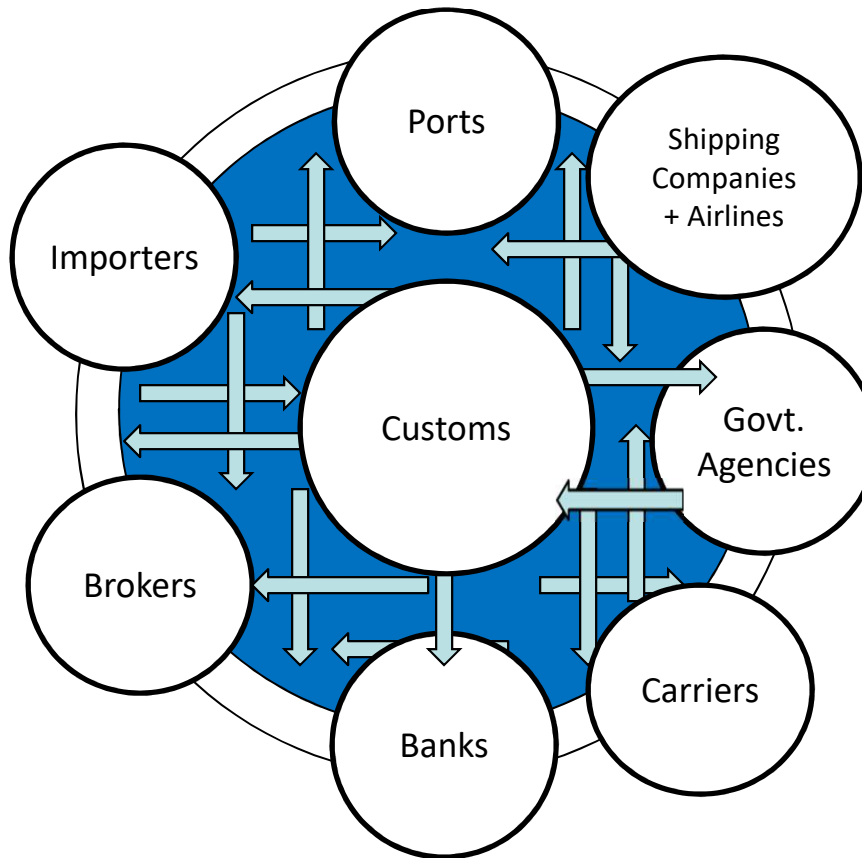
- Over 170 MOUs
- 2008 Cooperation Agreement with OIE
- 2015 Revised Cooperation Agreement with OIE





Common challenges at the border

- International Conventions
- Trade Agreements
- Export control regimes



- Agriculture
- Health
- Interior (internal affairs)
- Trade and commerce
- Police
- Finance/Treasury
- Immigration
- Veterinary and phytosanitary
- Transport
- Environment
- Consumer protection
- Culture and heritage



Border Agency Cooperation

- WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement
- 136 ratifications
- Implementation rate LDCs today 0.5%
- Implementation rate DCs today 50.6%

Almost all LDCs and half of the DCs need more time/assistance to meet the TFA commitment on Border Agency Cooperation!



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Thank you for your attention

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