



A FRAMEWORK OF STANDARDS TO SECURE AND FACILITATE GLOBAL TRADE

World Customs Organization

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BACKGROUND



- Recognition of risks to the security and facilitation of the international trade supply chain led the WCO to take bold action.
- WCO Council Resolution, June 2002, forming a Joint Customs-Industry Task Force on Security and Facilitation.
- WCO High Level Strategic Group (HLSG) formed to take work forward. Led to the adoption of the WCO *Framework of Standards to Secure and Facilitate Global Trade* (SAFE in June 2005)


SAFE



- Twin Pillars
- Pillar 1, Customs-to-Customs network arrangements
- Pillar 2, Customs-to-Business partnerships
- Seal Integrity Programme for Secure Container Shipments (Appendix to Annex I)
- SAFE is a comprehensive instrument that covers all areas of Customs controls
- Gives equal importance to revenue collection, trade facilitation, and security
- Incorporates modern Customs principles (complements Revised Kyoto Convention)

SAFE - FOUR CORE ELEMENTS

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1. Advance electronic manifest information
 2. Risk management
 3. Inspection of high-risk cargo
 4. Enhanced trade facilitation for legitimate trade
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Two pillars

- **Customs-to-customs network arrangements**
 - 11 standards
 - Encourage cooperation among Customs administrations on the basis of common and accepted standards
 - Use of advance electronic information to identify high-risk cargo
- **Customs-to-business partnership**
 - 6 standards
 - Establish partnership
 - Identify business with a high degree of security guarantee as “Authorized Economic Operator” (AEO)
 - Tangible benefits to AEO
 - Quicker movement of low-risk cargo, uniformity and predictability, etc.

Authorized Economic Operator, definition of



A party involved in the international movement of goods in whatever function that has been approved by or on behalf of a national Customs administration as complying with WCO or equivalent supply chain security standards. Authorized Economic Operators include inter alia manufacturers, importers, exporters, brokers, carriers, consolidators, intermediaries, ports, airports, terminal operators, integrated operators, warehouses, distributors.

WCO SAFE Framework of Standards



Integrated Supply Chain Management

PARTNERSHIP WITH TRADE

CO-OPERATION

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

AUTHORIZED ECONOMIC OPERATOR

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MAA

CUSTOMS DATA MODEL

SINGLE SUBMISSION

MUTUAL RECOGNITION

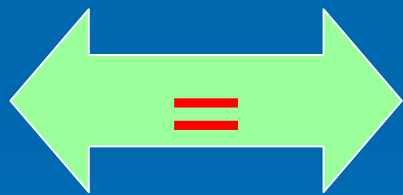
AUDITABLE, TRANSPARENT, PAPERLESS, RISK-BASED, AND KEY

SELECTIVITY

EXPORT

IMPORT

KYOTO CONVENTION



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SINGLE WINDOW

ORIGIN-DESTINATION

ADVANCE INFORMATION

RISK MANAGEMENT

SHARING INFORMATION

OBJECTIVES



- Certainty and predictability at a global level
- Integrated supply chain management for all transport modes
- Allow Customs to meet the challenges and opportunities of the 21st Century
- Closer cooperation among Customs administrations
- Stronger Customs-to-Business cooperation
- Tangible benefits for businesses
- Seamless movement of goods



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