









Implementing Trade Facilitation and Paperless Trade for Sustainable Growth



SIXTH GLOBAL REVIEW OF AID FOR TRADE, SIDE EVENT

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Objectives

How can trade facilitation best support sustainable growth in developing countries? Taking into account the results of the second Global Survey on Trade Facilitation and Paperless Trade Implementation, representatives from the five UN Regional Commissions (UNRCs) will present approaches, success stories, challenges and lessons learned.

The event will illustrate the development impact of trade facilitation interventions by the UNRCs in areas such as streamlining border clearance procedures; creating synergies between trade facilitation and quality control; reducing transaction costs; implementing international standards for paperless trade and other innovative trade facilitation approaches.

Programme

Moderator: **Andrey Vasilyev**, Deputy Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE)

- The Global Survey on Trade Facilitation and Paperless Trade Implementation: Background and methodology; Evidence from Asia and the Pacific
 - **Yann Duval**, Chief of Trade Facilitation Unit, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)
- Trade Facilitation Implementation Some evidence from Africa David Luke, Coordinator of the African Trade Policy Centre, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)
- Contributing to Sustainable Growth: Trade Facilitation in Europe and Central Asia
 Maria Rosaria Ceccarelli, Chief of Trade Facilitation Section,
 Economic Commission for Europe (ECE)
- Results of the Global Survey in Latin America and the Caribbean and implementation of trade facilitation and paperless trade for sustainable growth
 - **Tania Garcia-Millan**, Economic Affairs Officer, United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)
- Results of the Trade Facilitation and paperless trade survey for the ESCWA region Adel Al-Ghaberi, First Economic Affairs Officer, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)
- Questions & Answers (15 min)