



EU – TAXUD

Blockchain's potential

What governments need to consider



Key issues

1. **TAXUD is only in the exploratory phase:** we collect information and discuss it at this stage. In a next stage a pilot project might be considered (Tax and/or Customs)
2. Blockchain should be used as a **trade value chain** where government agencies and economic operators both contribute and gain efficiency
3. **Security is embedded** in the approach
4. **Need for standardisation** in order to be able to be used in international trade and across borders
5. **Need for establishment of Governance** of a blockchain for official use in international trade



Possible practical subjects for further exploration:

- 1. Electronic Licenses, Certificates and Permits**
- 2. Authorised Economic Operator** and especially info in relation to Mutual Recognition
- 3. Opportunity to simplify trans-European systems** such as ICS (entry summary declarations - ENS), NCTS (transit), Automated Export system (AES) and EMCS (excise suspension)
- 4. End-to-end digitisation of supply chain**, logistics, trade finance and regulatory processes is seen as a long term end goal



Why TAXUD might consider to invest in blockchain for future use

- Improved efficiency and reduced admin cost (reduced communication and information exchange and compliance time)
- Expected trade boost (employment, tax revenue, political perception)



Thank you for your attention