Lessons learned from practical implementation of Single Window in the region and beyond

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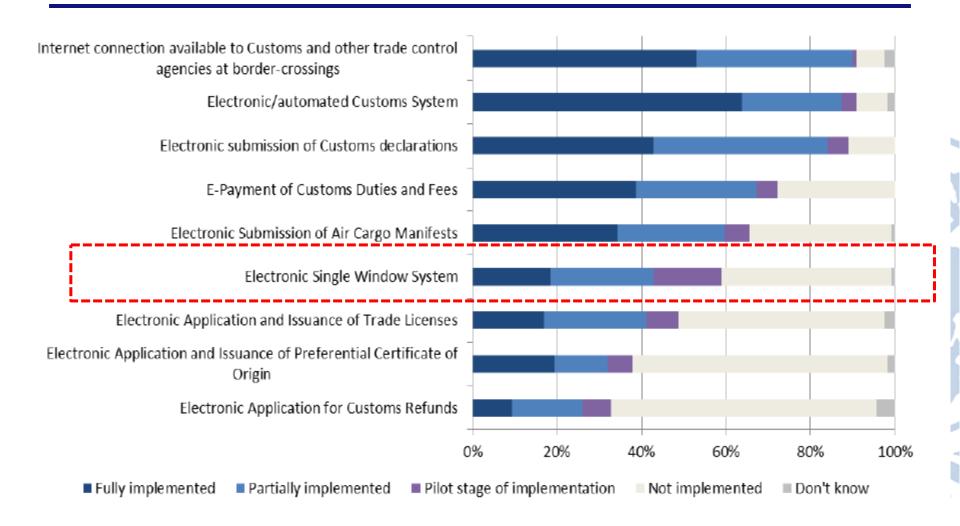


#### Introduction to ESCAP

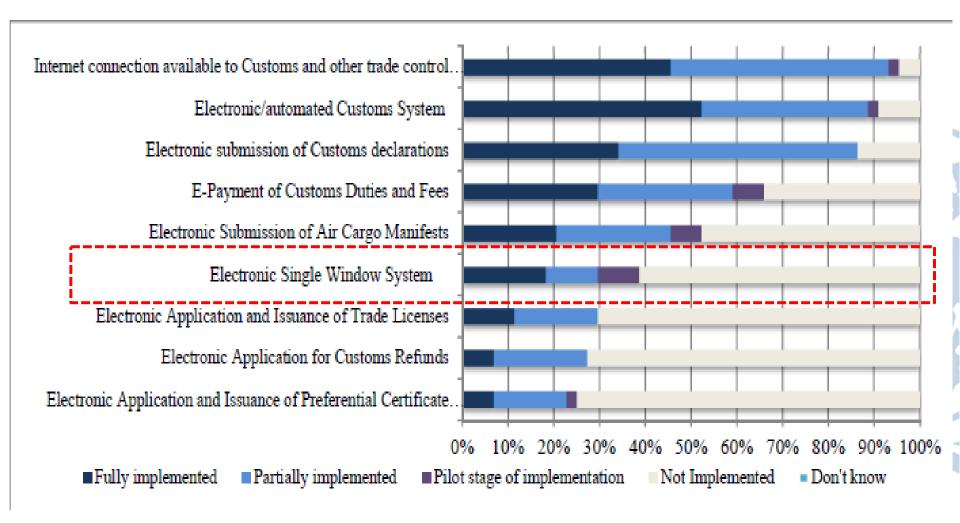
- •Regional (Asia and the Pacific) Branch of the United Nations Secretariat
- •62 members covering Central, South, South east, East and South Pacific countries
- •Mandate: Promote sustainable and inclusiv e socio-economic development in Asia and t he Pacific
  - through facilitation of REGIONAL COOPERATI
    ON
- •Areas covered: <u>Trade and Investment</u>, Transport, Macroeconomic Policy, Environment, Emerging S ocial issues, Information and Communication Tec hnologies...
- Trade and Investment: (1) <u>Trade Facilitation</u>;
   (2) Trade Policy; (3) Investment and Enterpris e Development



### **Single Window Implementation Landscape At Global Level**

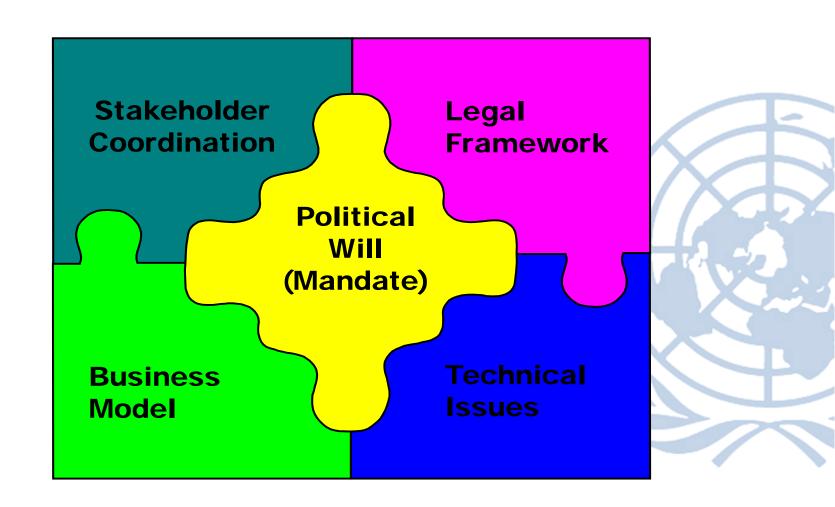


### **Single Window Implementation Landscape In Asia and the Pacific**



Source: ESCAP, UNRCs TF Survey 2015

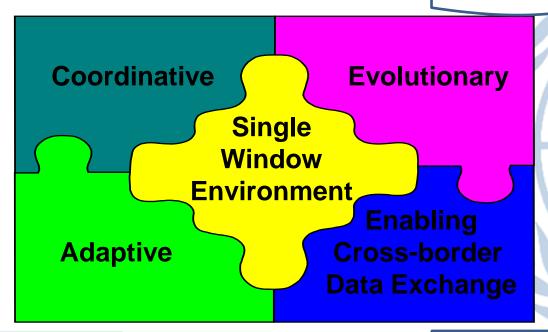
## **Key Success Factors in Implement a Single Window: Lessons Learnt**



## Futuristic Implementation of Single Window

Coordinating at interagency level as well as with private sectors for user buy-in

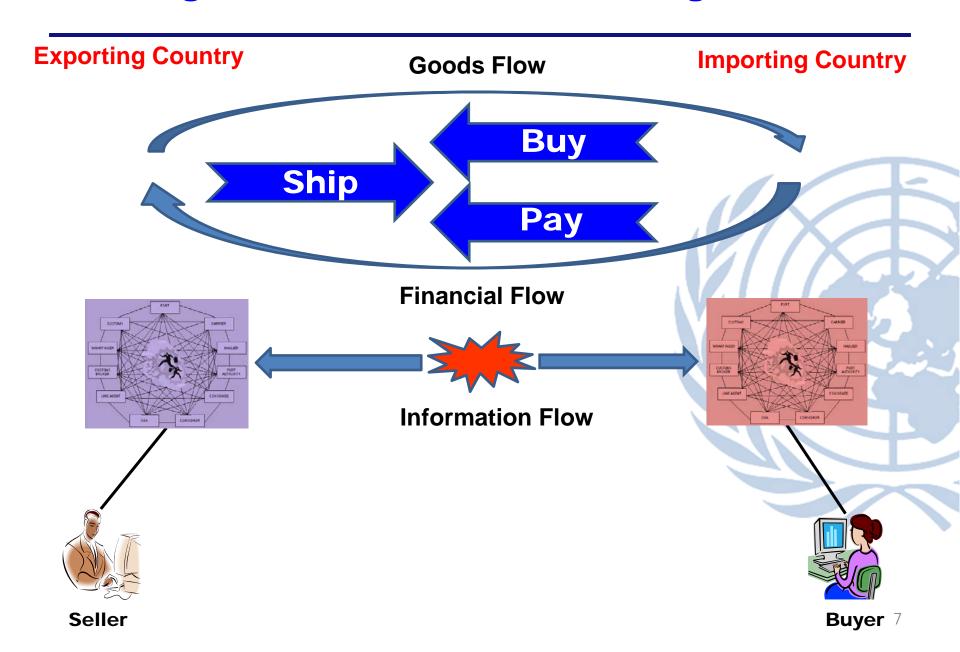
Not only phased in implementation but also able to evolve in its services



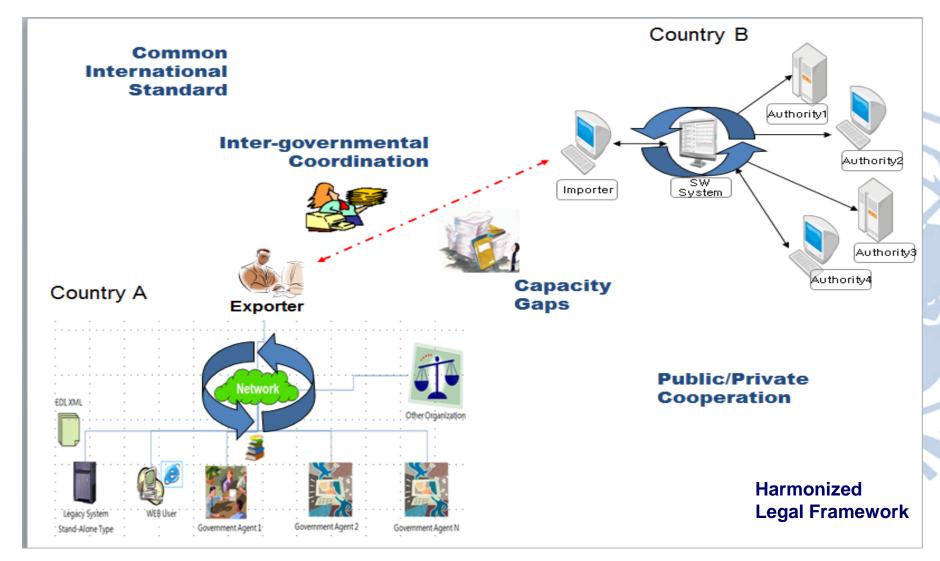
Capable of adapting its functions and roles to meet changing circumstances

Able to support realizing seamless international supply chains

#### **Enabling Cross-border Data Exchange**



# **Enabling Cross-border Data Exchange** (Cont'd)



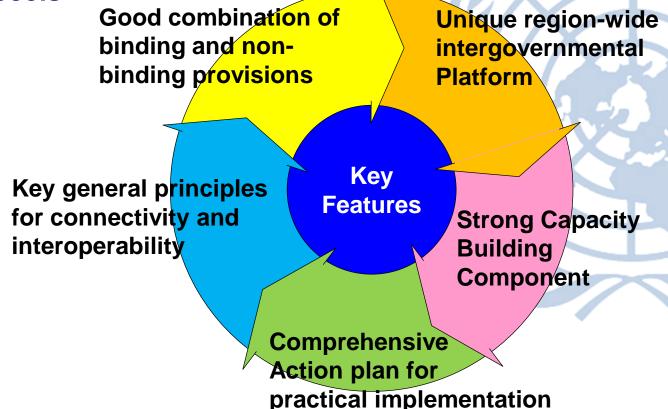
# Trade Facilitation beyond Borders: Regional Single Window/Paperless Trade Initiatives

Initiatives	Overview
PAA.net	Alliance of paperless trade service providers from 11 economies in Asia and the Pacific to enable electronic cross-border trade data exchange
ASEAN SINGLE WINDOW  Trade Facilitation  for the ASEAN Economic Community	Intergovernmental initiative in the Southeast Asia for realizing regional economic community through connectivity among National Single Windows
ESCAP Regional Agreement on Cross- border Paperless Trade Facilitation	A UN treaty currently being negotiated and developed, for the facilitation of cross-border trade data exchange among ESCAP member states.
Others	Northeast Asia Logistics Information Service Network (NEALNET), SASEC, GTI, EEC, ECO, etc.

#### ESCAP Regional Arrangement on Crossborder Paperless Trade Facilitation

- Development of a UN treaty
- Voluntary agreement: Becoming a party is an option

Framework Agreement (FA): Focus on facilitation of cross-border paperless trade, with provision of basis for subsequent legal and technical protocols



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#### Implementing a Single Window in a Futureoriented Way

- To support realizing a seamless international supply chain, Single Windows should be interoperable, not only at national level, but also across borders.
- \* Enabling a Single Window for cross-border paperless data exchange will be, at current stage being a competitive edge, will be a requirement in a near future.
- A future-oriented Single Window should be coordinative, evolutionary, adaptive, accommodating, and enabling (crossborder data exchange).

### Thank you

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