United Nations Centre for Trade Facilitation and Electronic Business (UN/CEFACT)

37th UN/CEFACT Forum
Virtual meetings, 4 to 15 October 2021

OPENING SESSION, 4 October 2021
Welcome

• Ms. Sue Probert
  Chair UN/CEFACT
Call to Action for Improved Digitalization Through the Use of UN/CEFACT Standards 1/2

• Goals of the Call to Action
  • To increase the interoperability in the sectors of trade facilitation and e-business
  • To provide visibility on the use of UN/CEFACT standards, and allow partners to find each other.
  • To enhance the relevance, impact and reputation of the work performed by UN/CEFACT

• Addressees
  • Member States’ governments
  • National public administrations
  • International organizations
  • The business community and economic operators engaged in the supply chain

• Functioning
  • Organization registers a commitment for the Call. This includes information about deliverables to be used, goals to be achieved, relation to SDGs, time frame
  • Commitments will be posted to the UN/CEFACT webpage and available publicly
  • Currently studying other communication possibilities such as a specialized logo
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• Monitoring and impact assessment
  • On 2022 and every two years thereafter
  • Organizations joining the call to action are requested to report on their commitment to the UN/CEFACT secretariat

• Why is this important?
  • Building a user community / supporter community of UN/CEFACT standards
  • Allow organizations to declare their commitment to using intelligent standards for e-business
  • Help users of the standards identify potential partners using the same standards
  • Concrete tool to promote paperless trade, help participants to save time in data exchange and increase data quality
Liaison activities

• ISO TC154
  • Several projects within this group which are referencing and reusing UN/CEFACT standards – Will be presented in T+L Domain

• IMO FAL
  • Assisting IMO with their dematerialization of FAL-related processes based on UN/CEFACT standards and processes

• eB-MoU
  • MG meeting planned 1-2 December; DCs will be asked to participate
  • BLOCKCHAIN Webinar planned on 22 October 12:00-15:00

• Continuing cooperation with many other organizations
  • UNCTAD, ICAO, UNECLAC, ITC, WTO, ICC, GS1, ISO (TC68, TC46…), FIATA, WEF, World Bank
Housekeeping points

• Participants will need to register for each session individually.

• The link and the connection code will be different for each session and unique for each participant.

• Technical difficulties with WebEx and joining? Contact uncefact@un.org

• All presentations made during the Forum should be sent to the secretariat in order to be shared on the event page. Please send to uncefact@un.org
  • This presentation already on the event website for your reference
• Please mute when you are not requesting the floor
• Please use the chat function for short comments
• It is recommended to use a headset and a LAN connection

• This is a UN/CEFACT working group meeting (open to public)
  • Participants only represent their own expertise (not any country or organization)
  • All participants must accept the Code of Conduct
  • All participants must accept the IPR Policy

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37th Forum
4-8 October 2021
Week 1

Transport & Logistics Domain
Tue 5 - Wed 6 Oct., am & pm
• Dangerous Goods project and evolution
• IMO FAL Mapping project
• Multi Modal Transport RDM evolutions

Agriculture, Fisheries and Agri-food Domain
Tue 5 - Wed 6 Oct., am & pm
• UN/FLUX evolutions
• E-quality certificate project
• Halal e-certificate proposal

Accounting & Audit Domain
Tue 5 - Fri 8 Oct., 15:00-17:00
• A+A Reference Data Model project
• Harmonizing accounting exchanges

Supply Chain Management & Procurement Domain
Thurs 7 - Fri 8 Oct., am & pm
• Cross Industry Supply Chain Track and Trace project
• E-Negotiation project
• Transfer of MLETR Titles project
• Cross Industry Invoice (CII) in EU

Environment Domain
Fri 8 Oct., am
• Waste Management & Waste Analysis
• Harmonization with EU Electronic Freight Transport Information (eFTI)

Library Maintenance Focal Point
Fri 8 Oct., pm
• Finalization and validation of the 21B CCL and schema

UN/LOCODE Maintenance meeting
Thurs 7 Oct., am & Thurs 14 Oct, pm
37th Forum
11-15 October 2021
Week 2

Trade Procedures Facilitation Domain
Mon 11 Oct., am & pm
• White Paper on Private Sector Engagement in NTFBs
• Idea for new project on paperless exchanges for transit

Private Sector Participation in NTFBs
Conference
Tue 12 Oct., pm

Single Window Domain
Wed 13 Oct., am & pm
• Single Window Assessment Methodology (SWAM) project
• Trade Information Portals (TIPs) project

eData Domain
Mon 11 – Tue 12 Oct., am & pm
• AI in Trade Facilitation project
• Cross border inter-ledger exchange for Pref CoO using Blockchain project
• UN/CEFACT Chain project

Cross Border Management Domain
Thurs 14 Oct., am & pm
• Cross Border Management RDM project

Finance & Payment Domain
Wed 13 Oct., am
• White Paper on Open Finance for Trade Facilitation project

Insurance Domain
Thurs 14 Oct., am
• Q&A session regarding the ongoing and potential future insurance projects

Use of CUE Session
Fri 15 Oct., am

Closing Session
Fri 15 Oct., pm
Plenary meetings

Monday, 4 October 13:30-16:00
• Opening Session

Friday, 15 October 13:30-16:00
• Closing Session

Informational meetings

Monday, 4 October 10:00-12:30
• Newcomer’s Session
• Introduction to BRS and CCL

Friday, 15 October 10:00-12:30
• Use of CUE Session

Conferences

Tuesday, 12 October 13:30-16:00
• NTFB and Private Sector

Friday, 15 October 10:00-12:30
• UNECE Regional Report on Digital and Sustainable Trade Facilitation 2021

Domain joint meetings

Thursday, 7 October 10:00-12:30
• Supply Chain and Transport/Logistics

Tuesday, 12 October 10:00-12:30
• Trade Procedures Facilitation and Agriculture, Fisheries and Agrifood
Vice Chair:  
• Ms. Estelle Igwe  

Domain Coordinators:  
• Ms. Birgit Viohl  
• Mr. Jake Schostag  

Active project:  
• Encouraging Private Sector Participation in NTFB  
• Revision of Recommendation 2  

Recently completed:  
• Rec44 on Cross-Border Facilitation Measures for Disaster Relief  
• Rec47: Pandemic Crisis Trade-Related Response
ITP-PDA, Trade Procedures Facilitation
During this Forum

Monday, 11 October, 10:00-12:30; 13:30-16:00
• Project: White Paper on Private Sector Representation in NTFB
• Project: Recommendation 2 on semantic information and codes in international trade data exchange
• Brainstorming on future potential projects

Tuesday, 12 October 10:00-12:30
• Joint session with the AGRI Domain on paperless certificates and cross border procedures

Tuesday, 12 October 13:30-16:00
• Webinar on strengthening private sector participation in NTFBs

Also suggest participation in:
• Wednesday, 13 October: Single Window Domain meeting
• Thursday, 14 October: Cross Border Management Domain meeting
ITP-PDA, Single Window
Recent activities

Vice Chair:
• Mr. Aleksei Bondarenko

Domain Coordinator:
• Mr. Jalal Benhayoun

Active project:
• BRS for Trade Information Portals
• Single Window Assessment Methodology (SWAM)

Recently completed:
• Rec38 on Trade Information Portals
Wednesday, 13 October 10:00-12:30; 13:30-16:00

- Trade Information Portals project
- Risk Management and Single Window (with the WP.6 GRM)
- Single Window Assessment Methodology project
- Brainstorming on future potential projects

Also suggest participation in:
- Monday, 11 October: Trade Procedures Facilitation
- Tuesday, 12 October: Joint TPF-AGRI Domains meeting
- Tuesday, 12 October: NTFB & Private Sector Webinar
- Thursday, 14 October: Cross Border Management Domain meeting
ITP-PDA, Code List
Recent activities

Vice Chair:
• Mr. Aleksei Bondarenko

Focal Point:

Active project:
• Code list maintenance requests and alignment

Recently completed:
• Annex II (Code elements listed by units of measure name) and Annex III (Code elements listed by common code) of UNECE Recommendation No. 20: Codes for Units of Measure Used in International Trade
• The Annex of UNECE Recommendation No. 23: Freight Cost Code – FCC Harmonization of the Description of Freight Costs and Other Charges

During this Forum:
• Thursday, 14 October 10:00-12:30
ISC-PDA, Supply Chain Mgmt & Procurement
Recent activities

Vice Chair:
• Mr. Ian Watt

Domain Coordinator:
• Mr. Edmund Gray

Active projects:
• Automotive project
• eNegotiation
• Transfer of MLETR-compliant titles
• Cross Industry Supply Chain Track and Trace

Recently completed:
• White Paper on Integrated Track and Trace for Multi-Modal Transportation
• Cross-Industry Export Packing List
Thursday, 7 October 10:00-12:30
• Joint session with Transport and Logistics Domain

Thursday, 7 October 13:30-16:00
• Overview
• Transfer of MLETR Titles project
• E-negotiation

Friday, 8 October 10:00-12:30; 13:30-16:00
• CI-Supply Chain Track and Trace
• Automotive project
• Cross Industry Invoice
• Future plans

Also suggest participation in:
• Tuesday and Wednesday 5-6 October: Transport and Logistics Domain
• Tuesday, 12 October: Joint TPF-AGRI Domains meeting

ISC-PDA, Supply Chain Mgmt & Procurement
During this Forum
ISC-PDA, Transport & Logistics

Recent activities

Recently completed:

- Rec45 on Minimum Standards for Ship Agents and Ship Brokers
- International Forwarding and Transport standard including standards for
  - Booking
  - Shipping instruction
  - Waybill
  - Status report/request
- Transport Modal Views of MMT
- Consignment Security Declaration (Air CSD)

Vice Chair:
- Ms. Hanane Becha

Domain Coordinator:
- Mr. David Roff

Active projects:
- IFTDGN Dangerous Goods
- IMO FAL mapping
Tuesday, 5 Oct. 10:00-12:30
• Call to Action
• MMT RDM user guide proposal
• Transport Modal view
• Air cargo modal view
• Track and Trace project update
• Updates from ISO work

Tuesday, 6 Oct. 13:30-16:00
• MMT RDM & Role in transport data exchange
• Other organizations work

Wednesday, 7 Oct. 10:00-12:30
• Danube Corridor Project

Wednesday, 7 Oct. 13:30-16:00
• IFTDGN Dangerous Goods

Thursday, 7 Oct. 10:00-12:30
• Joint meeting with SCMP

Also suggest participation in:
• Thur-Fri, 7-8 Oct.: SCMP
• Tues. 12 Oct.: Joint TPF-AGRI Domains meeting
• Thurs., 14 Oct.: Cross Border Management Domain meeting
ISC-PDA, Finance & Payment

Recent activities

Vice Chair:
• Ms. Liliana Fratini Passi

Domain Coordinator:
• Mr. Fabio Sorrentino

Active project:
• Open Finance for Trade Facilitation

During this Forum:

Wednesday, 13 Oct. 10:00-12:30

• Review of Open Banking and Open Finance definitions
• Updates concerning the Fintech chapter
• Analysis of new Open Finance use cases
• Proposals for the conclusions
ISC-PDA, Accounting & Audit
Recent activities

Vice Chair:
• Ms. Liliana Fratini Passi

Domain Coordinator:
• Ms. Anita Patel

Active project:
• Accounting and Audit Reference Data Model

During this Forum:
Tuesday, 12 Oct. 15:00-17:00
• Mappings team and project discussion
ISC-PDA, Insurance & Health
Recent activities

Vice Chair:
• Ms. Hanane Becha

Domain Coordinator:
• Mr. Michel Bormans

During this Forum:
Thursday, 14 Oct. 10:00-12:30

• Q&A session regarding the ongoing insurance projects and potential future projects
  • Healthcare Reimbursement Claim
  • Motor vehicle liability insurance, Proof of Insurance certificate
  • EIOPA initiated (GDPR Data Portability, Open Insurance)
ISC-PDA, Travel & Tourism

Recent activities

Vice Chair:
• Mr. Ian Watt

Domain Coordinator:
• Mr. Sachin Mehta

Active projects:
• Business Standards for Sustainable Tourism
• Experience Programs Technical Artefacts

During this Forum:

Mon.-Thurs. 11 to 14 Oct. 13:30-16:00
• Experience Programs project
• Sustainable Tourism project
• Affects of COVID19
REG-PDA, eData Management
Recent activities

Vice Chair:
• Mr. Tahseen Khan

Domain Coordinator:
• Mr. Kaushik Srinivasan

Active projects:
• Cross border inter-ledger exchange for Pref CoO using blockchain
• Digital ID for Trade Facilitation
• Internet of Things for Trade Facilitation
• UN/CEFACT Chain project
• Use of AI in Trade Facilitation
During this Forum

Monday, 11 October 10:00-12:30
- IoT for trade facilitation white paper project
- Use of artificial intelligence in trade facilitation

Monday, 11 October 13:30-16:00
- UN/CEFACT Chain project
- Cross Border Interledger Exchange for Preferential Certificate of Origin Using Blockchain
- Discussion and proposal of new projects
- Use of Digital ID in Trade Facilitation

Tuesday, 12 October 10:00-12:30
- eNotarization and Trusted Third Party Services discussion
- Discussion and proposal of new projects
REG-PDA, Cross Border Management
Recent activities

Vice Chair:
• Mr. Tahseen Khan

Domain Coordinators:
• Mr. Aananth Rathakrishnan
• Mr. Amar More

Active project:
• Cross Border Management Reference Data Model
• Digital Corridors for regulatory related movements

During this Forum:
Thursday, 14 October 10:00-12:30 and 13:30-16:00
• Cross Border Management RDM
• Digital Corridors project
• Discussion on
  • Best practices of movement of goods at land borders
• Brainstorming on ideas
REG-PDA, Agriculture, Fisheries and Agrifood

Recent activities

Recently completed:
• Rec46 on Enhancing Transparency and Traceability of Sustainable Value Chains in the Garment and Footwear Sector
• Call to Action for Rec46
• Textile and Leather BRS, part 1: Process and Data Model
• Textile and Leather BRS, part 2: Use Cases, CCBDA
• Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed (RASFF)
• eCert Guide

Acting Vice Chair:
• Mr. Harm Jan van Burg

Domain Coordinators:
• Ms. Gaelle Cheruy Pottiau
• Mr. Erik Bosker

Active projects:
• eQuality Certificate
Tuesday, 5 October 10:00-12:30
• Halal e-certification proposal

Tuesday, 5 October 13:30-16:00
• Discussion on active projects and deliverables

Wednesday, 28 April 10:00-12:30
• eQuality certificates project initiation

Tuesday, 12 October 10:00-12:30
• Joint session with Trade Procedures Facilitation Domain about paperless certificates and cross-border procedures
Acting Vice Chair:
• Mr. Harm Jan van Burg

Domain Coordinator:
• Mr. Norbert Pfaffinger

Active project:
• Waste Management and Waste Analysis

REG-PDA, Environment
Recent activities

During this Forum:

Friday, 8 October 10:00-12:30
• Waste Movement & Management
• Basel Convention Electronic Approaches
• Relation with EU initiatives
M+T-PDA, Specifications
Recent activities

Vice Chair:
• Mr. Marek Laskowski

Domain Coordinator:
• Mr. Hisanao Sugamata

Active projects:
• API Town Plan
• API Technical Specification

Recently completed:
• Exchange Header Envelope (XHE) tech spec
• Cross-Domain Application Error and Acknowledgment
• Message Construction Guideline for CCBDA
• RDM2API Guide on JSON LD vocabulary
• RDM2API Guide on UML Profile
Tuesday, 12 October 10:00-12:30
- API2RDM project
- API Town Plan project
- API Technical Specification project

Wednesday, 13 October 10:00-12:30
- Project (as is) status report
- NDR & CCBDA Corrigendum
- Any other business

Also suggest participation in:
- Monday, 4 October: Introduction to BRS and CCL
- Friday, 8 October: Library Maintenance
- Wednesday, 13 October: UN/EDIFACT DMR review
- Thursday, 14 October: Code List Management meeting
Vice Chair:
• Mr. Marek Laskowski

Focal Points:
• Ms. Mary Kay Blantz
• Mr. Hidekazu Enjo

Active projects:
• Library Maintenance
• Validation

Recently completed:
• Core Component Library (version D.21A)
• XML schemas (versions D.21A)

During this Forum:
• Friday, October 8: 13:30-16:00
  • Finalizing of D.21B
M+T-PDA, UN/EDIFACT
Recent activities

Vice Chair:
• Mr. Marek Laskowski

Focal Point:
• Mr. Gait Boxman

Active projects:
• UN/EDIFACT DMRs

Recently completed:
• UN/EDIFACT directories
  (D.21A)

During this Forum:

Wednesday 13 October,
13:30-16:00
• UN/EDIFACT DMR Review
Thank you