Facilitating trade across borders!
ITC services and experience in trade facilitation

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Supporting **80 countries** across 5 continents
Track record in implementing a majority of TFA articles

- **ARTICLE 1**: Publication and Availability of Information
- **ARTICLE 2**: Opportunity to comment, information before entry into force & consultations
- **ARTICLE 3**: Advance Rulings
- **ARTICLE 4**: Procedures for appeal or review
- **ARTICLE 5**: Other measures to enhance impartiality, non-discrimination and transparency
- **ARTICLE 6**: Disciplines on fees and charges
- **ARTICLE 7**: Release and Clearance of Goods
- **ARTICLE 8**: Border Agency Cooperation
- **ARTICLE 9**: Movement of goods intended for import under customs control
- **ARTICLE 10**: Formalities connected with importation, exportation and transit
- **ARTICLE 11**: Freedom of transit
- **ARTICLE 12**: Customs Cooperation
ITC has supported the implementation of 50+ reforms in 20+ countries as per TFA obligations.
Trade facilitation Portals
Cross-border procedures made easy

Already implemented in over 20 countries

In collaboration with UNCTAD, interfaced with Global Trade Helpdesk
Simplified Trade Formalities
Cutting of red tape in cross-border procedures

TFPB is actively reengineering formalities across ~30 value chains in ~15 countries
Integrated risk management: New joint publication by ITC and UNECE

- A guide developed jointly by ITC and UNECE, launched in August 2022
- Presents innovatively **principles, strategy and a roadmap** for a modern, integrated risk management system
- **Toolkit for policymakers, border agencies and business** alike to think and act in coordination at the border
- Paving the way for **resilience of supply chains beyond the COVID-19 pandemic and future crises**
**What is ITC doing in the risk management area?**

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Country experiences

Alignment of Pakistan Customs risk management system to international best practices, development of a **blueprint to adopt AI techniques** for better risk profiling and assessment and **improvement of border agency coordination**

Recommendations to develop an **integrated risk management framework in a single window environment**, capacity-building and experience-sharing with countries in the region

Assessment of risk management practices in high-traffic border agencies, development of a **blueprint for integrated risk management** to align border agencies’ operations and setting up of a **modern post-clearance audit system**
Digital solutions for paperless trade
Moving documentation, money - and even trucks! – online

Drafting laws for recognition of electronic documents

Implementing IT systems to automate formalities

Introducing electronic payment to collect fees and charges

Piloting electronic queues for trucks at border crossings
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Currently digitalizing formalities in Jordan, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, CA countries…
Gender responsive trade facilitation
Creating conducive border environment for women

- Sensitize officials to create trustful border environment
- Guide customs on gender-disaggregated data collection
- Design gender-responsive reforms
- Create gender sensitive infrastructure at border crossings
- Increase women rep. in border agencies & NTFCs
- Draft codes of conduct, establish gender focal points
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550 border officials trained across 5 CA countries

Thousands of women traders surveyed in CA on challenges in cross border trade
Private sector support
Bringing the business perspective in TF reforms

10’000 + Business sensitized on benefits of TFA

1,000 + Businesses supported to advocate for TF reforms

300 + Businesses coached to comply with reformed environment

10 + Reforms piloted with the private sector
How ITC works: our key implementation principles

- Demand driven assistance aligned with business perspective
- Promoting “whole of the government”, local ownership & sustainable reforms
- Innovative use of ICT for trade facilitation
- Improving traders’ compliance through training and coaching
- Fostering regional approach to the TFA implementation
Thank you

If ITC can help, contact us!

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