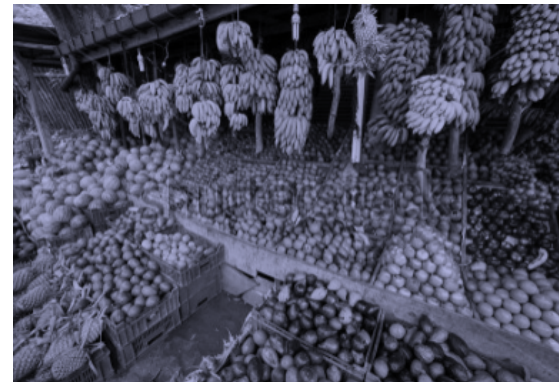
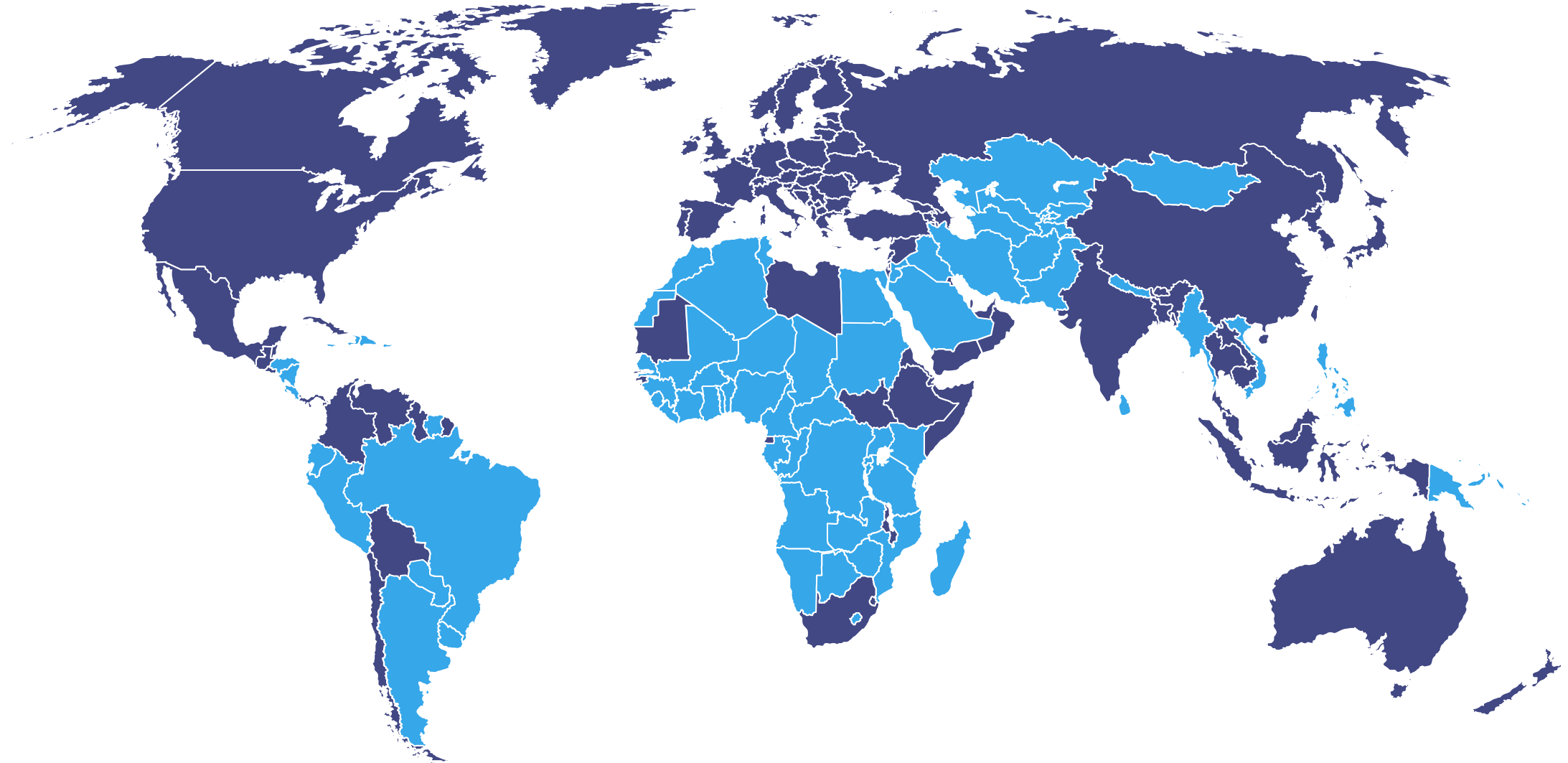


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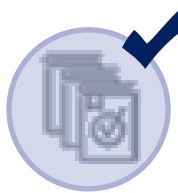
ITC services and experience in trade facilitation



Supporting 80 countries across 5 continents



Track record in implementing a majority of TFA articles



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Publication and Availability of Information



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Other measures to enhance impartiality, non-discrimination and transparency



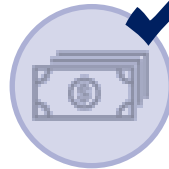
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Movement of goods intended for import under customs control



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Opportunity to comment, information before entry into force & consultations



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Disciplines on fees and charges



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Formalities connected with importation, exportation and transit



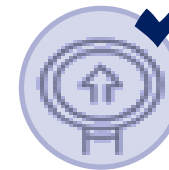
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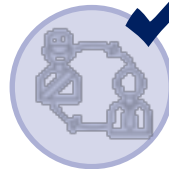
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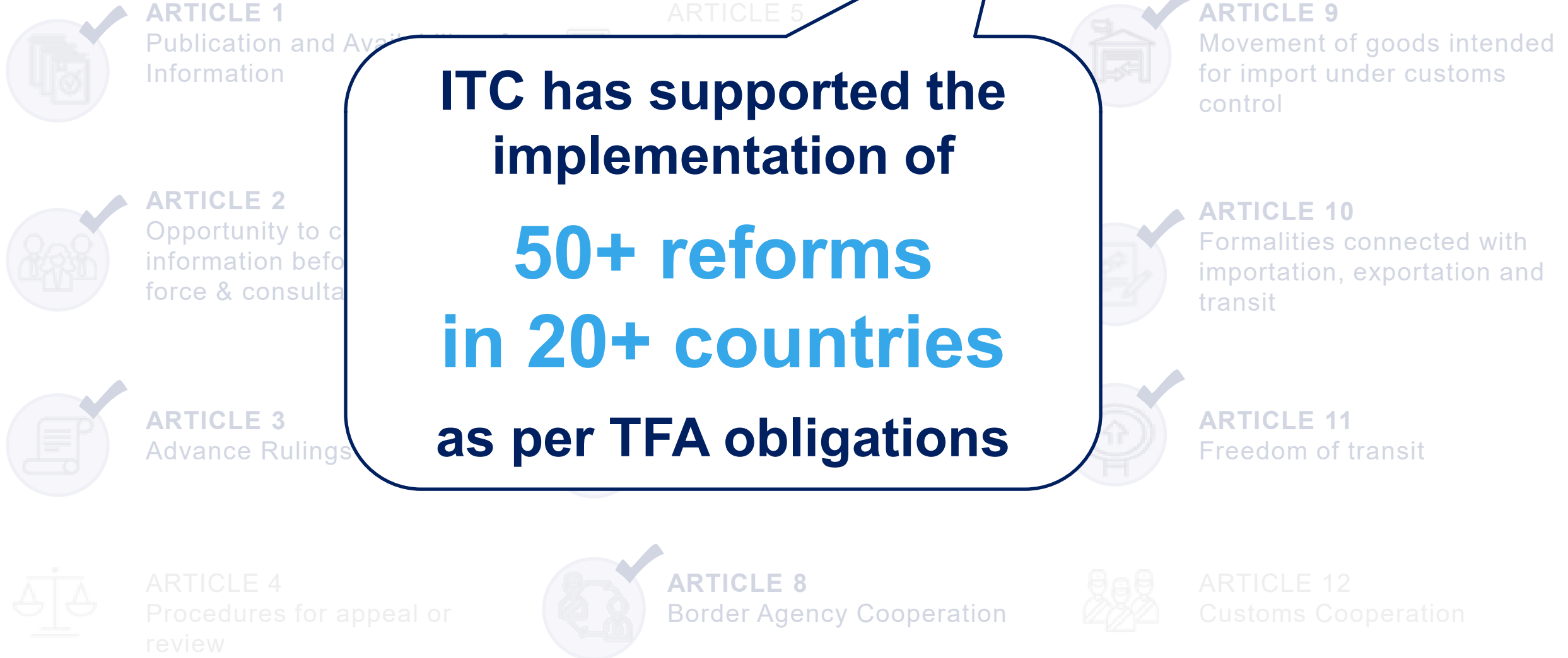
Border Agency Cooperation



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Customs Cooperation

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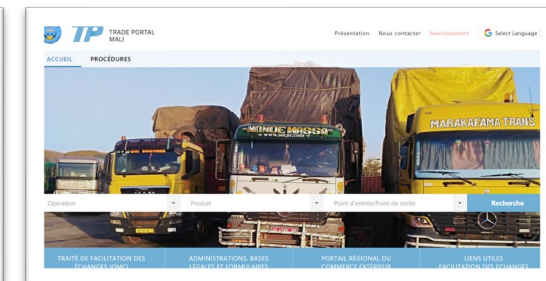
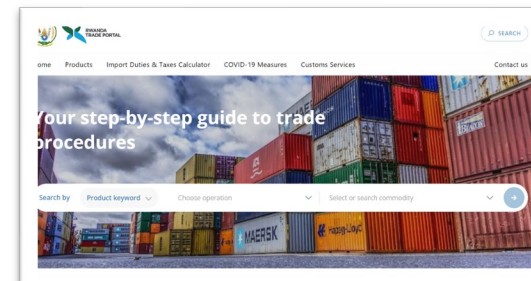
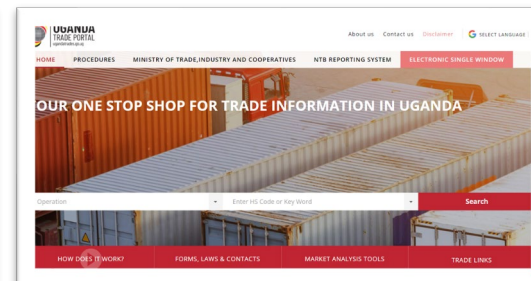
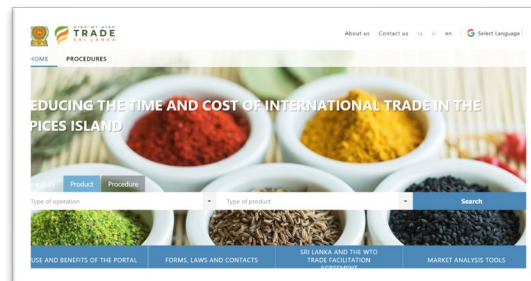
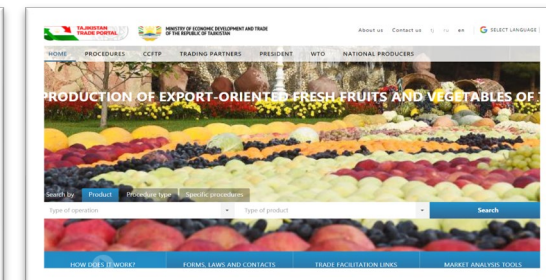
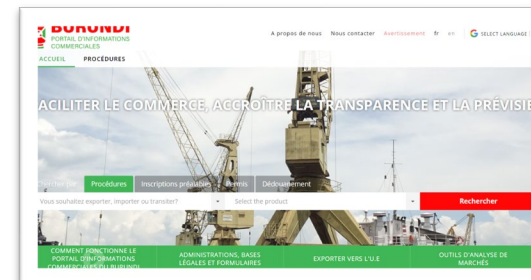
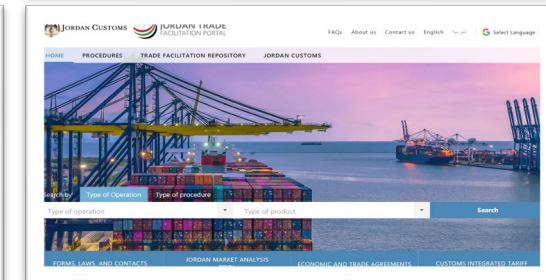
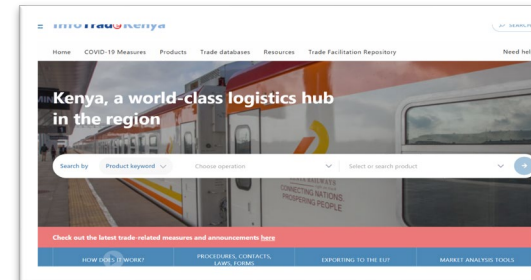
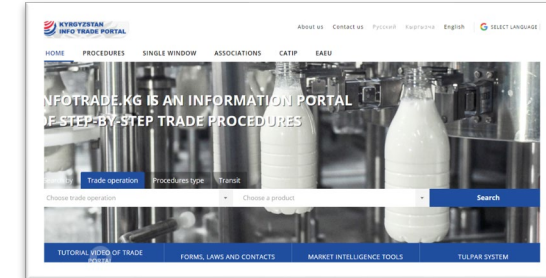


Trade facilitation Portals

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

The screenshot displays a digital interface for trade formalities, organized into four main sections:

- Steps (22):** A vertical list of 22 numbered steps, grouped into categories such as 'Obtain TIN certificate (3)', 'Obtain VAT certificate (3)', 'Register as an exporter (TIN/VAT registration) with Customs (1)', 'Register as an exporter in AS/CUDA World system', 'Register as an exporter with the Department of Commerce (DoC) (5)', 'Sign contract with a declaration company (1)', 'Customs clearance (Part 1/2) (2)', 'Obtain certificate of origin (4)', and 'Customs clearance (Part 2/2) (3)'. Each step includes a brief description and a status indicator (e.g., 'Apply online').
- Summary of the procedure:** A section titled 'Institutions involved (9)' showing logos for various entities including Sri Lanka Customs, Sri Lanka Customs (DO), Department of Commerce (DoC), Peoples Bank (PLB), Declaration Company, AS/CUDA World system, Bank of Ceylon (BOC), and Central Bank of Sri Lanka.
- Results (8):** A section showing various documents and certificates, including 'TIN certificate', 'VAT certificate', 'TIN/VAT number', 'Access to tax registration system', 'Registration certificate of DoC', 'Agreement with declaration company', 'Country of origin certificate', and 'Certificate of origin'.
- Required Documents (55):** A grid of 55 document thumbnails, including 'TIN/VAT number', 'Application form to register for TIN/VAT', 'National identity card', 'Utility bill', 'Application form to register for DoC', 'Application form to register for VAT', 'Proof of address', 'Application form to register for TIN/VAT (company)', 'Form 100', 'Articles of incorporation', 'Authorization letter', 'Application form to register as an exporter or importer', 'Request letter', 'N SUB LICANT', 'Sole proprietorship business registration', 'Partnership business registration', 'Proforma invoice', and 'Application form to register as an exporter or importer'.

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?

Modernization of risk management systems

Review of current systems vis-à-vis TFA requirements and international standards and development of strategies to mainstream new ICT technologies (AI, IoT, blockchain) in risk management

Enhancement of integrated risk management

Support to border agencies to integrate their risk management operations and system and implementation of frameworks for border agency collaboration in single window environments

Capacity-building and experience-sharing

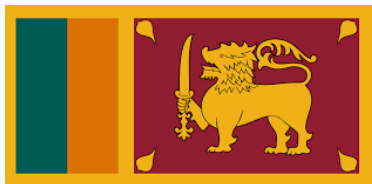
Capacity-building and training on different risk management topics, design of dedicated curricula for border officials, experience-sharing among countries for mutual learning

What is ITC doing in the risk management area?

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

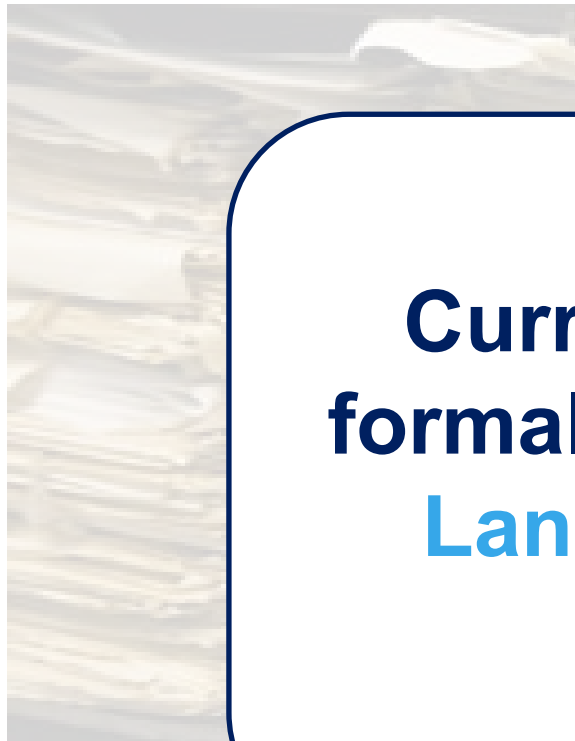
Implementing IT systems to automate formalities

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...

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to automate formalities

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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**

Gender responsive trade facilitation

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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

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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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