

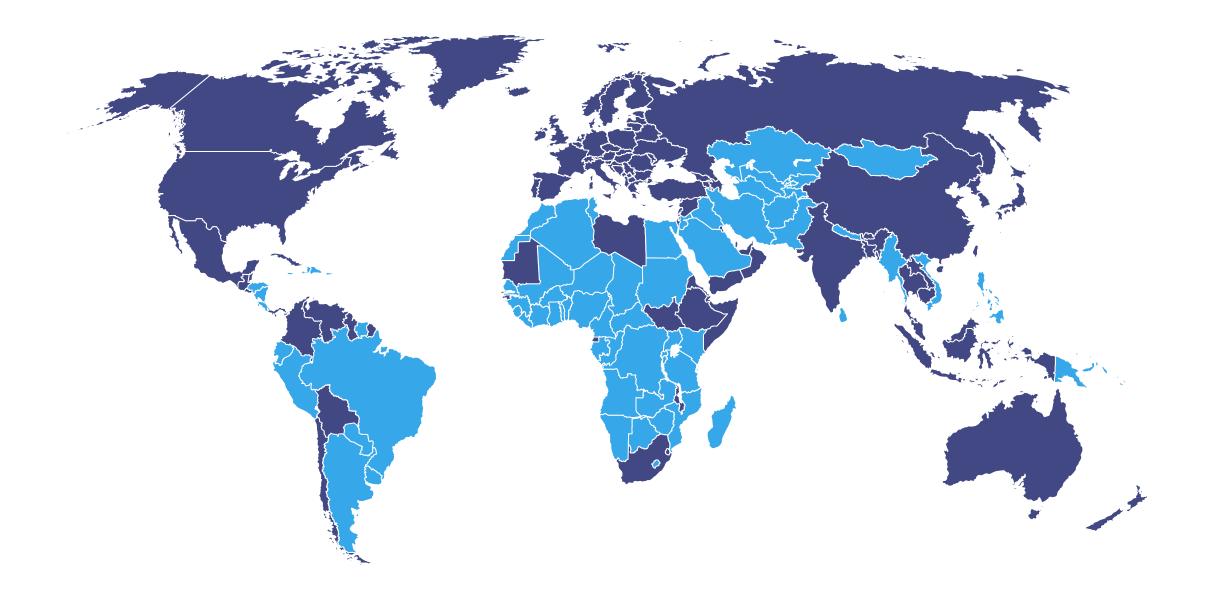
### **Facilitating trade across borders** ITC's experience in risk management



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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 5 Other measures to enhance impartiality, non-discrimination and transparency



**ARTICLE 9** Movement of goods intended for import under customs control



ARTICLE 2 Opportunity to comment, information before entry into force & consultations



ARTICLE 6 Disciplines on fees and charges



**ARTICLE 10** Formalities connected with importation, exportation and transit



**ARTICLE 3** Advance Rulings



**ARTICLE 7** Release and Clearance of Goods



**ARTICLE 11** Freedom of transit



ARTICLE 4 Procedures for appeal or review



ARTICLE 8 Border Agency Cooperation



ARTICLE 12 Customs Cooperation

#### 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 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, including 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 Al 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** 



Assessment of risk management framework and design of a **blueprint for integrated risk management that would also encompass risk management** practices for e-commerce goods and AEOs, capacity building for risk management unit and other agencies

#### What is ITC doing in the risk management area? Country experiences



In Nepal, **assessment of risk management frameworks of Customs** (covering legal, administrative, procedural, organizational, strategic, HR, financial, IT aspects). Pilot risk management practices along priority commodities and supply chain operators.



In Guinea, tailored trainings on risk management and strengthening integrated border management to better identify and target illegal activities. **Geared to support the formalization/compliance of small-scale cross border traders** and building a more conducive business environment.



In Central Asia, **peer to peer learning on customs risk management systems** for customs officials from the region to foster collaboration, coordination and harmonization of risk management practices at the regional level and corridor level, with Azerbaijan.

#### What is ITC doing in the risk management area? Upcoming country experiences



Assess national risk management practices and build capacity of non-customs border agencies involved in the release of priority value chains exports across EAC Partner States and develop recommendations for harmonized implementation.



Enhance Bhutan's national border and risk management frameworks for riskbased controls for selected border regulatory agencies to facilitate SPS compliance and the safe trade of agricultural and food products

# What is ITC doing in the risk management area? Upcoming digital training programme

- Interactive course on principles, best practices and implementation support on risk management for border regulatory officers
- Tailored for national and regional needs with relevant case studies on risk management practices and reforms
- Constitutes a core inaugural part of a capacitybuilding and implementation support programme for policymakers, border agencies and business alike to think and act in coordination at the border



SME TRADE

#### Integrated risk management: 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

## Thank you for your attention!



