



**WCO Europe Regional Workshop on
Strategic Initiatives for Trade Facilitation &
the implementation of the WTO TFA**

Implementing the WTO TFA and Capacity
Building

Present German TFA Contribution



Federal Ministry for Development and
Economic Cooperation

Current Portfolio

- **Volume of on-going projects 56 Million €**
- **Annual disbursements 12 Million €**



Trade Facilitation Example

Supporting the ECOWAS Commission through strategic managerial and technical advice

- Support to the **ECOWAS** Commission to introduce a common external tariff
- Support in the simplification of customs procedures and harmonization of customs rules
- Promoting a standardized customs code

Trade Facilitation Example

Trade Policy and Trade Promotion Fund for the East African Union (EAC)

- Support to member states and the **EAC** secretariat to establish a regional coordination mechanism for trade facilitation measures
- Support of the development of a regional plan to implement the Trade Facilitation Agreement
- Support of the implementation of two measures of the regional plan

Trade Facilitation Example

Pan-African infrastructure

- Support in establishing an effective **Pan-African** quality infrastructure and infrastructure Institutions

Trade Facilitation Example

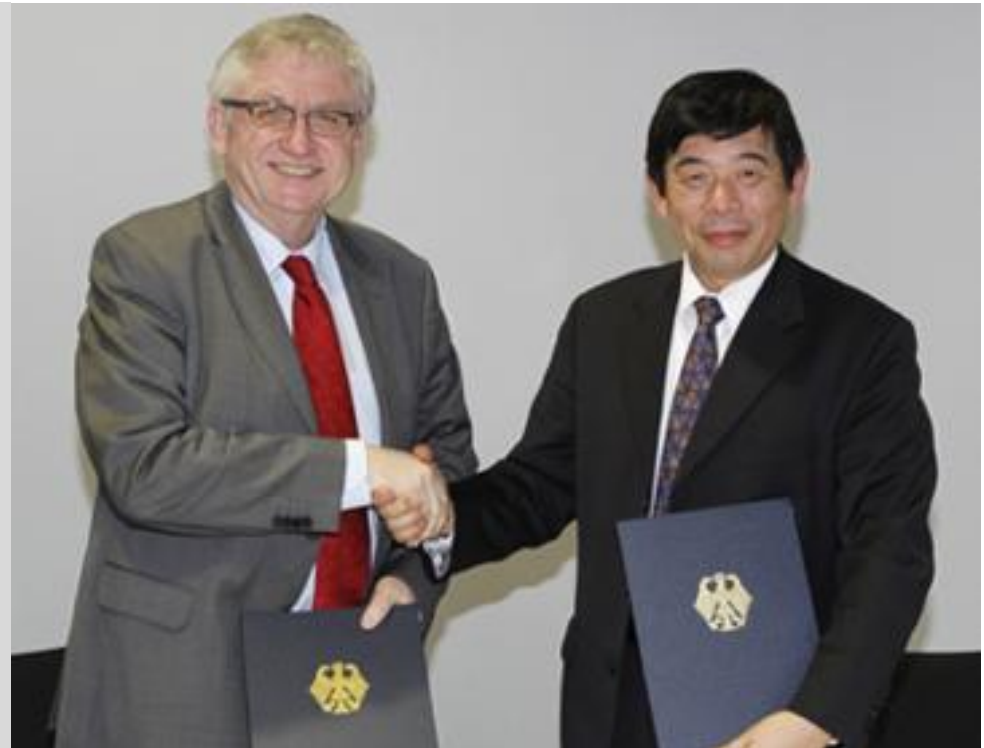
Support to Regional Trade in Central Asia

- Public-Private Dialogue to identify bottlenecks at the border
- Technical support to set up 'Single Windows' in Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Kirgizstan und Tajikistan
- Support of the cooperation between customs authorities to introduce join border controls

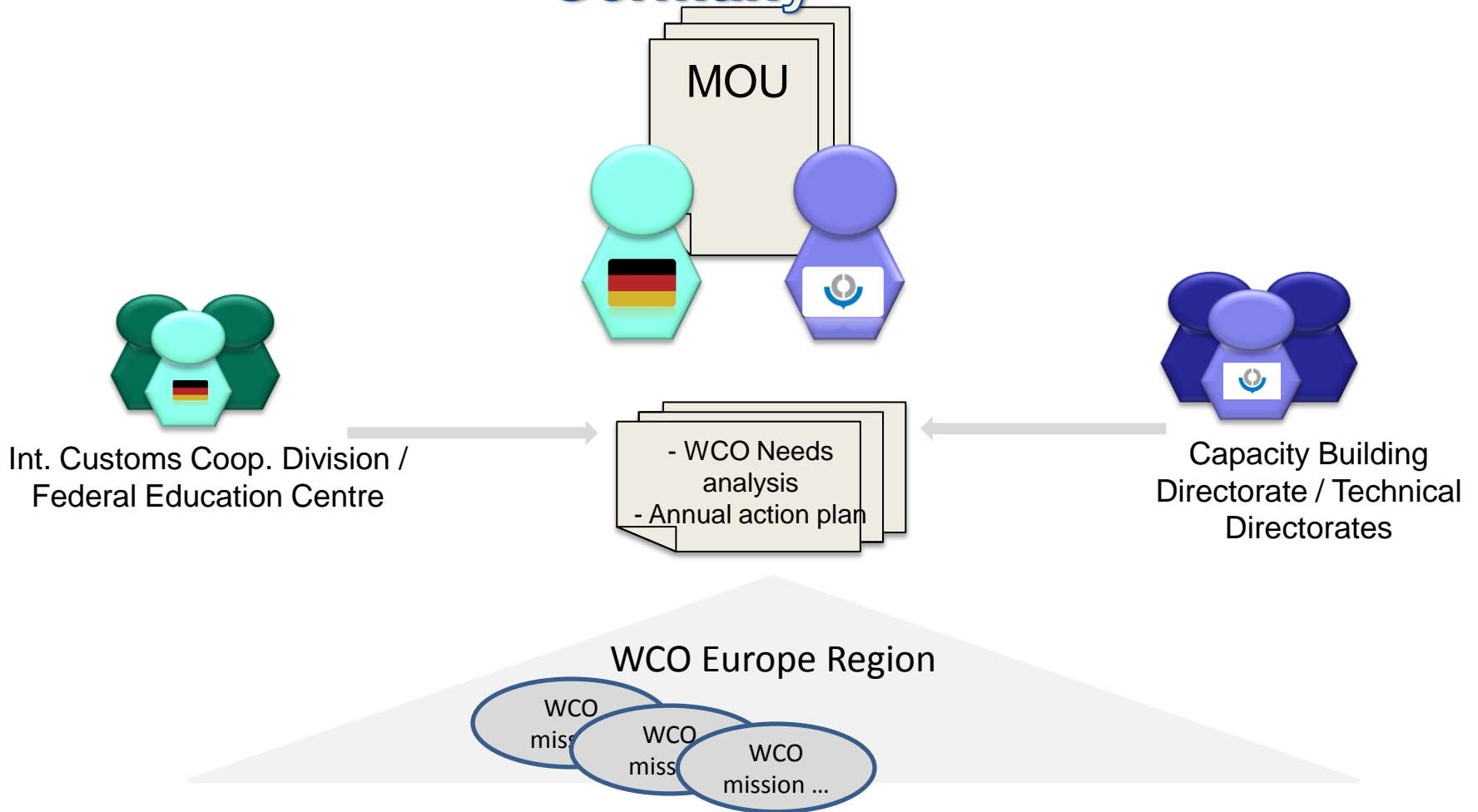


2. Customs Cooperation Fund CCF Germany

- MoU WCO-Germany
- Total 200 000 €
- Geographical focus:
the WCO Europe region
- Flexible duration



Customs Cooperation Fund CCF Germany



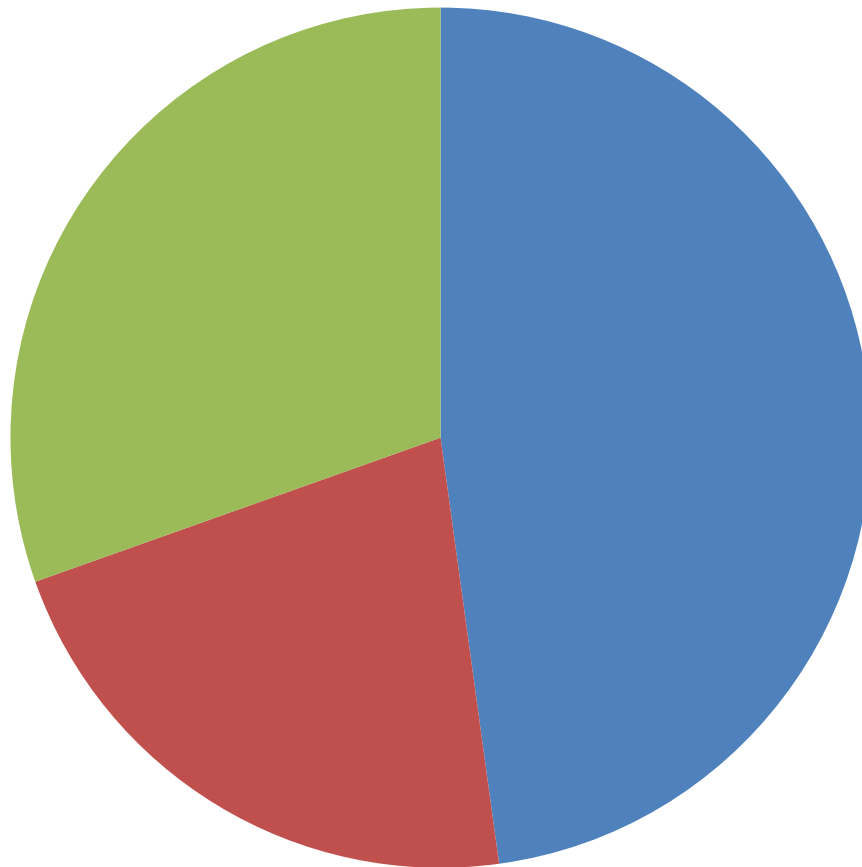


Customs Cooperation Fund CCF Germany

German contribution	WCO contribution
Mission funding	Annual needs analysis
Annual action planning	Mission planning
	Int. Standards
German customs expertise	Expertise from global expert pool
Only on demand basis: Case by case decision on exceptional funding requirements	Mission follow up and reporting
Overall financial endorsement	Financial follow up and annual reporting

CCF Germany – state of play

23 missions in FY 2014/2015 in 10 beneficiary countries



Link to TF-agenda:

AEO

HS

Valuation

Customs Laboratory

Post Clearance Audit

Risk Management

Use of NII technologies

Simplified Customs Procedures

Transit

■ **Finalized 11**

■ **Confirmed 5**

■ **Pending 7**

WIIFME??

- ✓ Alignment to Customs cooperation priorities
- ✓ Use existing WCO CB structures / principles
- ✓ Application of international standards
- ✓ Fostering bilateral cooperation
- ✓ Balanced expertise allocation



Thank you!!

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