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 joint 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

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CCF Germany – state of play

23 missions in FY 2014/2015 in 10 beneficiary countries

- Finalized 11
- Confirmed 5
- Pending 7

Link to TF-agenda:
- AEO
- HS
- Valuation
- Customs Laboratory
- Post Clearance Audit
- Rist Management
- Use of NII technologies
- Simplified Customs Procedures
- Transit
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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