

<p><b>Member administration</b></p> <p>[Insert name of your administration]</p>	<p><b>Saint Lucia</b></p>					
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<p><b>Legislation and policy</b></p> <p>[List all the relevant international, multilateral, bilateral (if any) and national laws, agreements and/or policies that are being enforced in collaboration with other cross-border regulatory agencies (CBRA) and have environmental objectives]</p>	<p>Public Health Act including Regulations (Chapter 11.01) revised 2001</p> <p>Quarantine Act (revised 2001)</p> <p>Cartagena convention (1986) – regional agreement for protection of the marine environment</p> <p>St. Georges Declaration (2000) – policy statement adopted by OECS Gov't on sustainable development</p> <p>Basel Convention (1992) – international agreement for the control of trans-boundary movement of hazardous waste and their disposal</p> <p>Marpol Regulations 1973/78 Control Environmental Pollution</p> <p>Convention on the Facilitation of International Maritime Traffic</p> <p>St. Lucia Solid Waste Management Act</p> <p>Codex Alimentarius guide lines</p> <p>Infection and Environmental Protocols.</p> <p>Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES)</p> <p>Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety</p> <p>The Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species</p> <p>Wildlife Protection Act</p> <p>Styrofoam and Plastics Food Service Containers (Prohibition) Act No. 22 of 2019</p> <p>Styrofoam and Plastic Food Service Containers (Prohibition) (Amendment of Schedule) No. 8 of 2020</p> <p>Styrofoam and Plastic Food Service Containers (Prohibition) (Amendment of Schedule) No. 154 of 2021</p> <p>Customs Control and Management Act (and Regulations)</p>					
<p><b>Scope of cooperation on environmental compliance</b></p> <p>[List the competent authorities and distribution of responsibilities for</p>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="611 1827 874 1854">Name of Authority</th> <th data-bbox="882 1827 1479 1854">Roles / Responsibilities</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="611 1854 874 1998"> Ministry of Health Wellness and Elderly Affairs </td> <td data-bbox="882 1854 1479 1998"> 1. The Boarding and clearing of all vessels on International voyages to ensure that no International Notifiable diseases are brought into the country, and to determine that the vessel </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Name of Authority	Roles / Responsibilities	Ministry of Health Wellness and Elderly Affairs	1. The Boarding and clearing of all vessels on International voyages to ensure that no International Notifiable diseases are brought into the country, and to determine that the vessel
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environmental policies and regulations at the national level]		<p>adheres to the guidelines set out under the international Health Regulations</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Inspection of foods for wholesomeness Imports</li> <li>3. Monitoring/ inspection of foods prepared for export including flight kitchens</li> <li>4. Responsible to ensuring that the Sanitation of the Ports of Entry are maintained. ( Sheds , refuse disposal sites, arrival halls, departure hall, liquid waste disposal sites ,and surrounding environs )</li> <li>5. Responsible for the taking of water samples to ensure that it is potable.</li> <li>6. Inspection of ships/aircraft for the level of sanitation of these vessels</li> <li>7. Supervision of the disposal of any condemned food items.</li> <li>8. The approval for the landing of all human remains</li> <li>9. Vector control at the ports of entry</li> </ol>
	Department of Sustainable Development	Focal agency/point for MEAs related to chemicals and hazardous wastes, biodiversity, climate change and marine pollution. Coordinating role in the implementation
	Saint Lucia Solid Waste Management Authority	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Competent Authority for the Basel Convention</li> <li>2. Responsible for receiving notifications of transboundary movements and any related information and for responding to such notifications.</li> <li>3. Receiving and disposing of prohibited single use plastic containers that have been confiscated by Customs and Excise Department</li> <li>4. Ensure compliance with national laws relating to chemical and waste management.</li> </ol>
	Ministry of Commerce – Import Monitoring Unit	Responsible for issuing licences for the import of ozone depleting substances (ODS)
	Customs and Excise Department	Border protection and law enforcement. The Customs department performs an agency function (acts on behalf of other agencies) regarding environmental compliance. For example, Customs is responsible for preventing and detecting (i) illegal imports of ODS and substances controlled under the Pesticides & Toxic Chemicals Control Act; (ii) illegal trade of wild life; (iii) illegal imports of single use food Styrofoam and plastic containers under the Styrofoam and Plastics Food Service Containers (Prohibition) Act
	Division of Forestry	Focal agency/point for CITES (Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species). Coordinating role in the implementation

<p><b>Objectives of cooperation with other regulatory agencies to ensure environmental compliance</b></p> <p>[You may choose more than one option]</p> <p>[Please also indicate <b>which environmentally- related trade transactions</b> you are targeting in the scope of your cooperation programs, e.g. plastic waste, e-waste or other waste streams, scrap, green technology, agricultural products, endangered species etc.]</p>	<p>√√√ enforcing the regulatory requirements related to environmental policies</p> <p>√√√ risk management</p> <p>√√√ training</p> <p>√√√ compliance programmes</p> <p>With the exception of green technology, all of what is listed above: plastic waste, e-waste or other waste streams, scrap, agricultural products, endangered species. Also includes other products which are covered by legislation for example bioengineered products.</p>
<p><b>Environmental compliance criteria</b></p> <p>[Please provide some information about the initiatives you have led to identify joint environmental compliance criteria, in cooperation with the environmental authorities and other regulatory agencies]</p>	<p>Establish committees, joint operations</p>
<p><b>Coordinated Border Management (CBM) approaches</b></p> <p>[You may choose more than one option]</p>	<p>Type of cooperative arrangement:</p> <p>√√√ Informal</p> <p>√√√ Communication (shared information)</p> <p>√√√ Cooperation (shared resources)</p>
<p><b>Risk management /PCA</b></p> <p>[Please indicate if you apply/consider environmental compliance certificates issued by the environmental authorities for the purposes of risk management and the post-clearance audit (PCA)?</p> <p>Do you share / co-develop risk indicators and profiles with environmental authorities? [please explain in detail]</p>	<p>Applied and Considered environmental compliance certificates issued by the environmental authorities for the purposes of risk management and the post-clearance audit (PCA)</p> <p>Yes. Customs meets with the agency to define the risk parameters/indicators. Tariff numbers are determined for the goods under consideration. Customs develops the risk profiles and enters them into ASYCUDA.</p>

<p><b>Governance arrangements</b></p> <p>[Please indicate if there are any inter-agency mechanisms, for example a joint committee, to coordinate the development and implementation of environmental policies, such as multi-agency Committee / NCTF, other? ]</p>	<p>TECHNICAL COMMITTEES</p> <p>National Bio-diversity</p> <p>National Health Security</p> <p>National Agricultural Health and Food Safety</p> <p>NATIONAL BOARDS</p> <p>Saint Lucia Bureau of Standard</p> <p>Pesticides and Toxic Chemicals Control</p> <p>Project Steering Committees and National Working Groups</p> <p>National Committee on Trade Facilitation (NCTF)</p> <p>National Emergency Management Organisation (NEMO)</p>
<p><b>Single Window Environment (SWE)</b></p> <p>[List the authorities in charge of Environmental policies and regulations that are integrated in the SWE, indicating their role in the SWE]</p>	<p><b>There is no Single Window in Saint Lucia</b></p>
<p><b>Use of other electronic platforms and communication channels to ensure environmental compliance</b></p> <p>[Specify the use of other electronic platforms for cooperation purposes, including the exchange of information, other than SWE]</p>	<p>ASYCUDA World (no exchange of information)</p>

<p><b>Level of simplification/ Customs Procedures</b></p> <p>[Specify the level of process streamlining for the transboundary movement of environmentally- related trade transactions (e.g.. import/export/transit/free zones, application for permits/licences/certificate for plastic waste/ recyclable materials etc.) ]</p> <p>Please also indicate <b>which environmentally- related trade transactions</b> are addressed through the above-mentioned simplification processes e.g. plastic waste, e-waste or other waste streams, scrap, green technology, agricultural products, endangered species etc.]</p>	<p>√√√ Percentage of procedures analyzed e.g.. through a Business process Analysis</p> <hr/> <p>Most of what is listed: plastic waste, waste streams, scrap, agricultural products, endangered species</p>
<p><b>Harmonization of data requirements</b></p> <p>[Specify the level of adoption of the WCO DM ]</p>	<p>√√√ <b>NA:</b> Information regarding conformance with the WCO Data Model is not available</p>
<p><b>Customs procedures</b></p> <p>[Specify if there are specific Customs procedures applied to simplify the legal transboundary movement of environmental related trade transactions or a regular Customs procedures are applied with the aim of simplification e.g.. with the application of risk management and/or compliance programme]</p>	<p>Application of risk management</p>
<p><b>Measurement</b></p> <p>[Indicate the indicators used, if any, to measure the level of cooperation with other responsible authorities in order to ensure environmental compliance, and if the indicators are shared/ co-developed/ used for strategic/operational planning]</p>	<p>The Customs department performs an agency function (acts on behalf of other agencies) regarding environmental compliance.</p>

<b>Pitfalls and opportunities for strengthened cooperation to ensure environmental compliance</b>	The provision of more accurate information would ensure better decisions are taken. Further, agency collaboration would lead to more trust and enhance border protection and environmental compliance. However, it sometimes creates turf wars and confusion among agencies.
<b>Achievements/lessons learned</b>	Encourage trust
<b>Future plans</b>	More stakeholder engagement
<b>Other aspects</b>	
<b>Use of Advance Cargo Information (ACI) (SAFE Pillar I)</b>  [Specify how does Advance Cargo Information (ACI) (SAFE Pillar I) contribute to the cooperation between Customs and environmental agencies?]	<b>Not applicable</b>
<b>Compliance programme to enhance Customs-to-Business partnership in the recycling materials industry (SAFE Pillar II)</b>  [Specify to what extent the recycling materials industry is incorporated into your compliance programme to strengthen the partnership between Customs and Businesses under the Pillar II of the WCO SAFE FoS]	<b>Not applicable</b>
<b>Partnership with Circular Trade Platforms</b>  [Please indicate if your Administration and other regulatory agencies are partnering with Circular Trade Platforms to promote environmental compliance in the Circular economy]	<b>No partnering with Circular Trade Platforms</b>