WTO TFA: bottom five measures with lowest implementation rate & how the WCO can support their implementation

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Bottom 5 measures with lowest implementation rate

Based on implementation commitments by all WTO Members

- Art. 7.4 – Risk management
- Art. 7.7 – Authorized operators
- Art. 8 – Border Agency Cooperation
- Art. 5.3 – Test procedures
- Art. 10.4 – Single window

% of commitments completed:
- Art. 7.4: 65.5%
- Art. 7.7: 64.4%
- Art. 8: 63.2%
- Art. 5.3: 61.3%
- Art. 10.4: 53.7%

Legend:
- Developed members
- Category A current commitments
- Category B current commitments
- Category B future commitments
- Category C current commitments
- Category C future commitments
- Unknown

TFAD (Trade Facilitation Agreement Database) www.tfadatabase.org
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TAILOR-MADE TRACK

- Capacity Building (TF) Programmes & Projects
- Needs Assessment – holistic diagnostic study
- Multi-Year / Ad-hoc Implementation Planning and Delivery
- Maturity Modelling – charting implementation progress
- Effective Monitoring & Evaluation

OVERALL TRACK

- Tools and instruments
- Experts Pools
- Donor engagement
- Sharing experience
- NCTFs

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Article 7.4 – Risk Management
TA & CB Activities on Risk Management

2022
Regional:
- Workshop on Data Analytics and AI applied to risk management (Doha, September 2022);
- Workshop for Pre-Accreditation of Risk Management Technical and Operational Advisors (Bangkok, November 2022).
National: Bosnia and Herzegovina, Jordan, Madagascar, Mongolia, Serbia etc.

2023
Regional:
- Workshop for Data Analysis and Risk Management (Japan, March 2023);
- Workshop for Pre-Accreditation of Risk Management Technical and Operational Advisors (Guatemala, June 2023).
National: Egypt, Mongolia, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, etc.
Article 7.7 – Authorized Operators

SAFE Framework of Standards

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TA & CB Activities on SAFE AEO Programme

**2022-2023**

**Regional/Sub-Regional:**
- WCO Workshop on sharing best practices on AEO and MRA implementation and expanding benefits for AEOs for Americas and Caribbean Region (online, September 2022);
- WCO Sub-Regional workshop on AEO programme for the WCO Members of ASEAN region (Jakarta, June 2023).

**National:** Bolivia, Madagascar, Philippines, Zambia, Gambia, Democratic Republic of Congo, Serbia, Uganda, Antigua and Barbuda, Saudi Arabia, Kenya, etc.

**2023-2024**

**Global:** WCO Global AEO Conference, Shenzhen, China, 8-10 May 2024.

**National:** Tanzania, Madagascar, Democratic Republic of Congo, Fiji, Bangladesh, Nigeria, El Salvador, Lesotho, Colombia, Gambia, Namibia, etc.
Region/Sub-Regional:
- WCO Workshop on Coordinated Border Management for Europe, (8-9 December 2022, Brussels, Belgium);
- WCO CBM & TRS Mission for the Central America northern triangle (Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador) under A-CIP Programme (10-14 July 2023, Honduras).

National: Peru, Thailand.

2023-2024

National: Nepal, Bangladesh, Gambia.
Article 5.3 – Test Procedures

(Customs Laboratory Guide
January 2022

Members only!)

(www.wcoomd.org)
## TA & CB Activities on test procedures and Customs laboratories

### 2022-2023

**Global:**
- WCO Regional Customs Laboratory Professionals Programme (17-21 Oct. 2022 at the WCO, and 24 Oct. to 1 Dec. 2022 at the RCL in Japan & Korea);
- 38th Scientific Sub-Committee (17-20 Jan 2023 at the WCO).

**Regional/Sub-Regional:**
- 2nd Meeting of Heads of WCO Asia/Pacific Regional Customs Laboratory (18-20 April 2023 at the RCL in Japan);
- Study Visit for African Heads of Customs Laboratories to Japan Regional Customs Lab, 17-20 April 2023.

**National:** Malaysia, Moldova, Ethiopia, Albania, Algeria, Madagascar, Ethiopia, Burundi.

### 2023-2024

**Global:**
- WCO Regional Customs Laboratory Professionals Programme (16-20 Oct. 2023 at the WCO, and 23 Oct. to 30 Nov. 2023 at the RCL in Japan, Korea & India);
- 39th Scientific Sub-Committee (16-19 Jan 2024 at the WCO).

**Regional/Sub-Regional:**
- Study Visit for African Chemists to the 8th Seminar of European Customs Chemist in Germany, 4-6 July 2023;
- Sub-Regional Workshop on Customs Laboratory (4-8 December 2023 at the RCL in Indonesia);
- 3rd Meeting of Heads of WCO Asia/Pacific Regional Customs Laboratory (at the RCL in Korea).

**National:** Kenya, Albania, Ethiopia, Nigeria, Ghana, Uganda.
Article 10.4 - Single Window

Compendium V.1

Compendium V.2

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TA & CB Activities on Single Window

2022-2023

National: Ecuador, Bolivia, Botswana, Zimbabwe.

2023-2024

Global:

Sub-Regional:

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- Developing countries and LDCs may submit their requests for tailor-made technical assistance to the WCO Capacity Building Directorate at any time: capacity.building@wcoomd.org

- Interested development partners and donor institutions may contact the WCO External Relations Unit with regard to further cooperation, including the offer of financial support for technical assistance and capacity building projects: external.relations@wcoomd.org

- For more information on the Mercator Programme, including the TFA Implementation Guidance for Session I, please contact the WCO Procedures and Facilitation Sub-Directorate: facilitation@wcoomd.org
Thank you!

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