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- 🌍 **National Aid programs (EU, France, USAID ..)**
- 🌍 **GEA –procedures, regulatory impact, metrics**
- 🌍 **GEA, ICC, ITC, WEF - private sector support**
- 🌍 **UNCTAD- Empowerment program**
- 🌍 **UNECE- TF Implementation support guide**
- 🌍 **WCO - Mercator program**
- 🌍 **World Bank Group- \$34 million TFSP**



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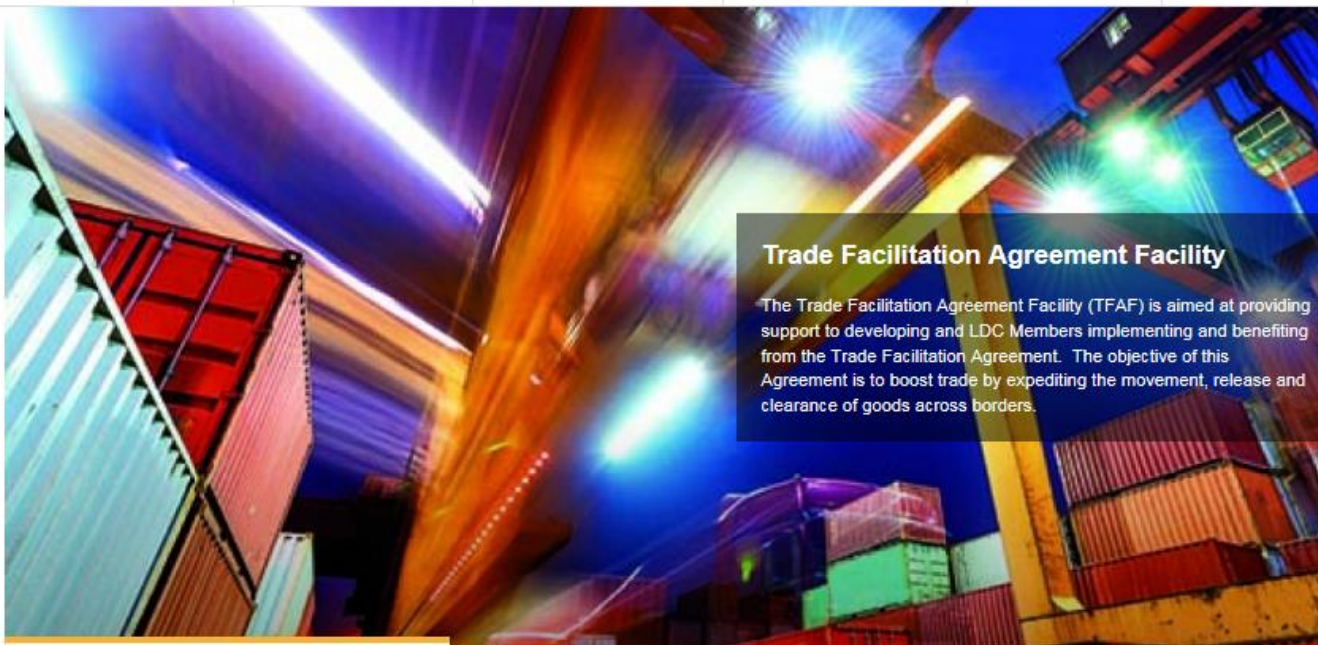
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Trade Facilitation Agreement Facility

The Trade Facilitation Agreement Facility (TFAF) is aimed at providing support to developing and LDC Members implementing and benefiting from the Trade Facilitation Agreement. The objective of this Agreement is to boost trade by expediting the movement, release and clearance of goods across borders.

Trade Facilitation Agreement Facility



Notifications & Ratifications updates



Trade Facilitation events at the upcoming Ministerial Conference in Nairobi



10th WTO Ministerial Conference

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Extensive trade facilitation related assistance is available through regional organizations, and other stakeholders. In order to assist in the matchmaking between the Agreement.

Donors & Organizations

United States of America (USA)



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Links

- USAID's Office of Trade and Regulatory Reform (TRR)
- USAID's implementation guide - second edition - June 2015
- Global Alliance for Trade Facilitation

Files

- USAID Trade Co
- Office of Trade
- Illustrative USA
- Activity Facilit
- Integration (ATI)
- Activity Facilit (ACTI)

Global Express Association (GEA)




The three members of the Global Express Association (GAE, Express, FedEx Express - which include WTO's Trade Facilitation Agreement, as they are convinced it can bring significant economic and social benefits to their respective countries.

GEA members are keen to contribute to implementation efforts by making available their technical expertise, including:

- Border clearance processes and procedures
- Small and medium size business needs and requirements
- Automation and information and Communication Technology
- Regulatory impact assessment on transport and logistics operators
- Multi-modal transportation and delivery operations
- Performance metrics
- Ability to bring customers to the implementation discussion.

GEA members cannot make direct financial contributions to implementation efforts. Additional resources are available. GEA members are ready to contribute to projects in one of their domains or coalitions of donors. Such projects will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

World Bank Group



World Bank Group support for trade facilitation encompasses a wide range of aspects of the Trade Facilitation Agreement and supporting the Trade Facilitation Agreement implementation through trade facilitation related assistance. Support is available to assist developing countries in their trade facilitation efforts, as well as to support regional integration. The World Bank Group assistance is delivered in a number of ways, including:

- Knowledge and advisory services
- Diagnostic (e.g. to help identify reform priorities)
- Technical assistance and advisory services (e.g. smaller projects to deliver quick results)
- Financing and support for major projects (e.g. institutional development, customs and border management agencies, ICT or infrastructure)
- Research and policy analysis (e.g. Logistics Performance Index, Doing Business)

World Bank Group annual support for trade facilitation is currently approximately USD 1 billion. This supports efforts to strengthen trade facilitation institutions and processes, aligned with the Trade Facilitation Agreement commitments, as well as developing infrastructure and digital connectivity infrastructure. The Bank Group works in close cooperation with Importers and other international organizations. Support is also provided to regional initiatives. Importers should be contacted for trade facilitation and the details through any of the following:

Online: trade@worldbank.org and www.trade@worldbank.org

There is no surcharge for email or telephone requests.

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Links

- Trade Facilitation and Competitiveness Strategy

- FRANCE
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- SWEDEN

United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)



UNCTAD's mandate in the area of trade facilitation dates back to the Final Act of its very first ministerial-level Conference in 1964. The Final Act recommended that UNCTAD "should promote, within the United Nations family, arrangements for intergovernmental action for the simplification of customs procedures, commercial travel, etc." Over the following years, UNCTAD's continued work on trade facilitation led to the United Nations International Symposium on Trade Efficiency, organized in 1994 in Columbus, Ohio (United States of America) and the Columbus Ministerial Decree on Trade Efficiency. The latter was instrumental for the inclusion of trade facilitation in the agenda at the first WTO Ministerial Conference in Singapore in 1996. UNCTAD possesses long-standing expertise and experience in trade facilitation on which basis it provides technical assistance and capacity-building in developing countries, including in the establishment of national trade and transport facilitation centres, needs assessments, trade facilitation plans, transit agreements and customs automation through its Automated System for Customs Data (ASYCUDA) programme. It also undertakes activities in the framework of its port management training programme and its e-regulation and e-registration systems. Through their impact on stakeholders (such as port authorities and small and medium-sized enterprises in particular), these programmes also contribute to enhancing trade facilitation in beneficiary countries. UNCTAD assistance and expertise encompass many aspects of trade facilitation that can be addressed by several programs articulated and tailored according to each country's needs.

<http://unctad.org/tfb>
<http://www.asycuda.org>

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European Union (EU)



The EU and its Member States are the world's leading providers of trade facilitation support. Over the five-year period 2006-2012 (latest available figures), the EU and its Member States collectively provided a total of over EUR 700 million for Trade Facilitation, which corresponds to more than 50% of the total support over the period. The EU alone provided EUR 428 million or 31% of the total support. This support will continue with the EU aiming to maintain its current level of support to trade facilitation over a five-year period starting from the signature of the Trade Facilitation Agreement, namely EUR 400 million over five years.

Support will be provided in the framework of the EU's regular Trade-Related Assistance to developing countries. The EU is currently finalising the allocation of its development aid for the period 2014-2020, and time is therefore ripe for developing countries to reflect their trade needs, including for trade facilitation, into its annual action plans for EU aid as defined in their on-going discussions with the European Union Delegations in their respective countries. The ministries or agencies responsible for Trade Facilitation might in some cases not be a direct participant in these discussions and therefore it is important for countries which require TF support to coordinate internally to ensure wide awareness of the need to prioritise TF. National TF committees could have a key role in such coordination.

At the same time, the EU recognises the value of a dedicated trade facilitation facility, and has therefore made an initial contribution of EUR 0.6 million to the World Bank Trade Facilitation Support Programme. This facility will provide smaller-scale interventions in order to deliver initial fast-track funding, cover aid orphans and fill in any gaps in on-going or planned support to trade facilitation.

Inquiries regarding trade facilitation-related assistance can be directed to:
 E-Mail: TRADE-TF-Assistance@ec.europa.eu

Links

- Press release on the EU commitment

Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)



The Inter-American Development Bank has a strong mandate to support trade and competitive growth in Latin America, and possesses long-standing and recognized expertise and experience in the area of trade facilitation. The Bank provides financial and technical assistance to Latin American and Caribbean countries to streamline and harmonize physical infrastructure and logistics so as to improve efficiency, lower trade costs, increase participation in global trade, and support implementation of electronic single window systems, authorized economic operators, risk management systems, and reforms relating to trade facilitation / security and customs, and implementation of trade agreements.

The IDB established the Capacity-Building Program on Integration and Trade in 2012 to provide specific support for implementing trade agreements, trade facilitation and security, export promotion and investment. The IDB offers Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) through the ConnectAmericas and edX platforms. The IDB offers Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) through the ConnectAmericas and edX platforms. The IDB offers Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) through the ConnectAmericas and edX platforms. The IDB offers Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) through the ConnectAmericas and edX platforms. The IDB offers Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) through the ConnectAmericas and edX platforms.

- Enhanced Integrated Framework
- International Chamber of Commerce
- International Trade Centre (ITC)
- Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)

Platform for information: Best Practice/Experience Sharing



www.tfafacility.org

The screenshot displays the website for the Trade Facilitation Agreement Facility (TFAF). At the top, it features the logos for the World Trade Organization (WTO) and the TFAF. Navigation tabs include: About the Facility, The Trade Facilitation Agreement, Notification & Ratification, Donors & Organizations, National contact points, TFAF Assistance, and Media and Resources. A search bar is located in the top right corner. The main content area is titled "Case studies by article" and lists 12 numbered items, each with an icon and a brief description:

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6. Disciplines on fees and charges
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12. Customs cooperation

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Case Studies

- [EU - The single administration document \(SAD\)](#)
- [Brasil - Single Window \(in spanish\)](#)
- [Ecuador - Single Window](#)
- [Guidelines for Single Window Implementation in Africa](#)
- [Lesotho Revenue Authority - Customs Modernisation Programme - Aid for Trade 5GR CS #21](#)
- [Peru - Single Window](#)
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- [UNRCs - TF and Paperless Trade in Latin America and the Caribbean](#)

Case Studies

- [Peru - Advanced Customs Clearance System](#)
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- [New Zealand - Risk management](#)
- [Canada - Post-Clearance Audit](#)
- [Korea - Post clearance - TN/TF/W/55](#)
- [Malaysia - Time release Study](#)
- [Hong Kong, China - Authorized Economic Operator Programme](#)
- [Thailand - Express consignments](#)
- [Japan - Pre-arrival examination](#)
- [India - ICEGATE e-payment gateway](#)
- [Cameroon - Risk management](#)
- [Bosnia and Herzegovina: joint risk analysis on cross-border traffic](#)
- [Chinese Taipei - Post clearance Audit](#)
- [Fiji - Time release Study](#)
- [Dominican Republic - Authorized Economic Operator Programme](#)
- [Jamaica - Case Study on Authorised Economic Operators](#)
- [USA - Best practices in use of expedited shipments](#)

General case studies

- [UNCTAD - Reaping benefits from trade facilitation - Policy brief 42 - December 2015](#)
- [UNRCs - TF and Paperless Trade Implementation Survey 2015 - Global Report](#)
- [Malaysia's experience in Trade Facilitation - TN/TF/W/50](#)
- [Pakistan's experience in Trade Facilitation - TN/TF/W/135](#)
- [Thailand's experiences in Trade Facilitation - TN/TF/W/61](#)
- [Turkey - Import-Export controls](#)
- [Guatemala's experience - express consignments - TN/TF/W/65](#)
- [Maintaining a NCTF - Lao PDR - 2016.06.08](#)

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Implementation guides

- [ITC - SMEs and the WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement - A training manual - December 2015](#)
- [Guidelines for Single Window Implementation in Africa](#)
- [ITC - A Business Guide for Developing Countries](#)
- [UNCTAD - The new frontier of competitiveness in developing countries - Implementing Trade Facilitation](#)
- [UNECE - Guide to drafting a National Trade Facilitation Roadmap](#)
- [UNECE - Trade Facilitation Implementation Guide](#)
- [USAID's implementation guide - second edition - June 2015](#)
- [WCO's Implementation Guidance](#)
- [World Bank - Trade and Transport Facilitation Assessment - A practical toolkit for country implementation](#)

Brochures, articles and research papers

- [Brochure - WTO Trade Facilitation](#)
- [Do trade facilitation provisions in regional trade agreements matter? by Yann Duval, Nora Neufeld, Chorthip Utoktham](#)

Trade Facilitation indicators

- [World Bank - Doing business](#)
- [Aid for Trade Country Profiles](#)
- [Global Express Association Customs Capabilities](#)



Funding- Grants

If can't find assistance needed



- Project preparation (max \$30,000)
- Project implementation (max \$200,000)

About the Facility

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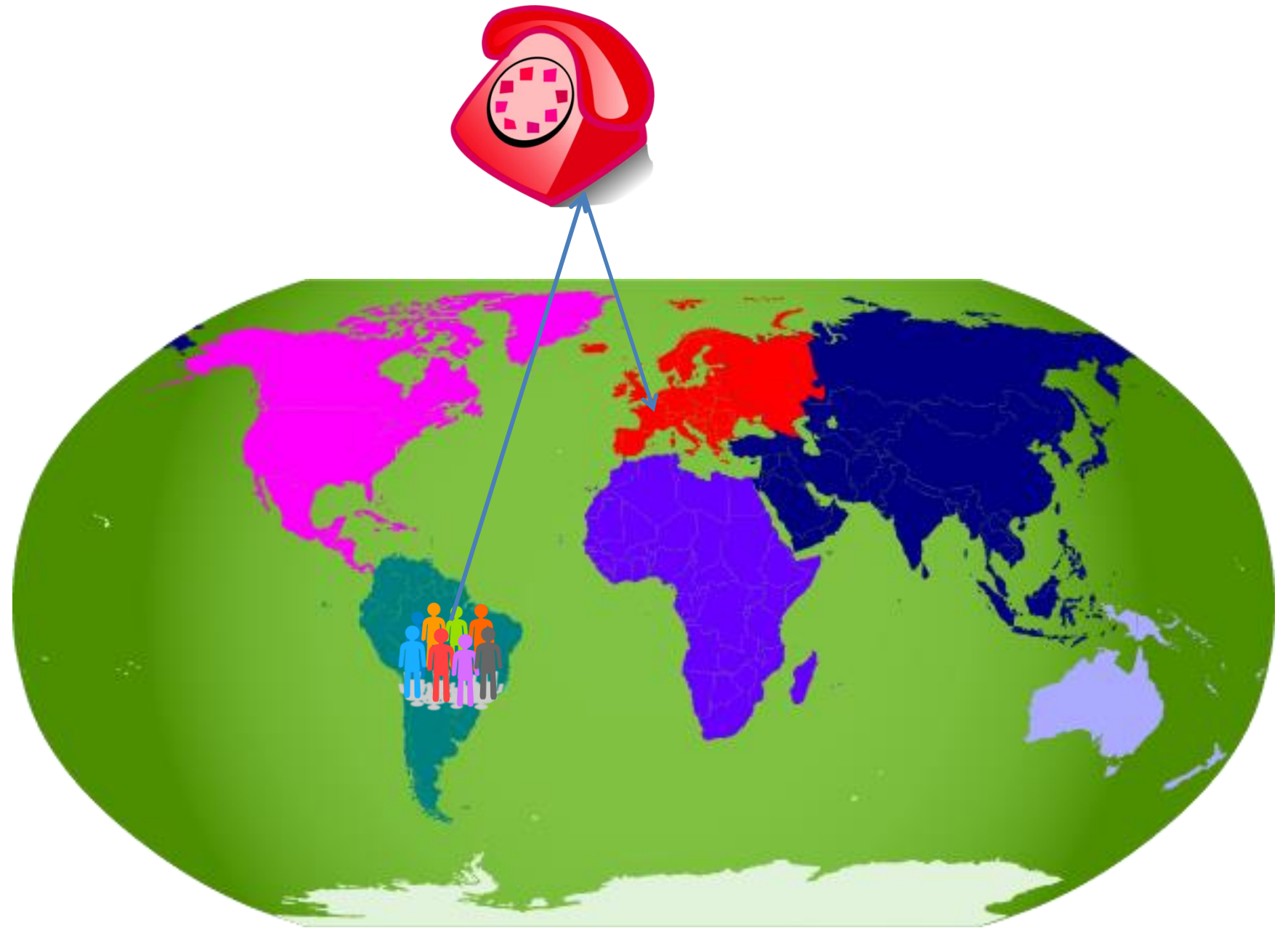
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Finding Implementation Support

Where to start.

- ✦ Start with your existing donors – look in region
- ✦ Know your needs –ABC notification/studies
- ✦ Donor coordinator on the NTF committee
- ✦ Work with Geneva (Brussels) missions
- ✦ WTO TF Committee Meetings
- ✦ Private sector





NewsBytes



Your main source of information about the TFA (Trade Facilitation Agreement)
Our NewsBytes bring you the latest updates from the WTO Trade Facilitation team such as new TFA ratifications, notifications and any important developments regarding the Facility.



TFA RATIFICATION UPDATES

Bahrain and Bangladesh, latest ratifications received, bringing the total number of ratifications to 94.



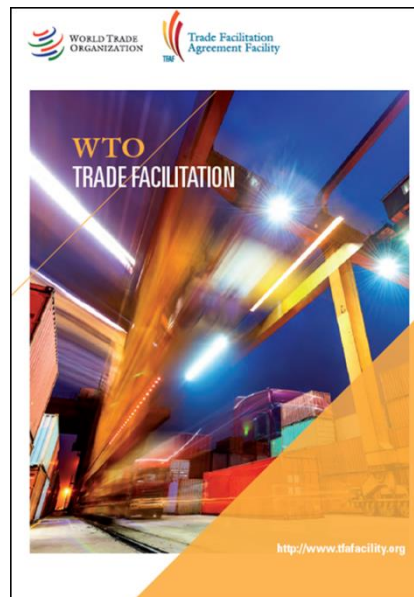
TFA NOTIFICATION UPDATES

To date, 87 WTO Members have presented Category A notifications, and 5 have submitted Category B and C ones.



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