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Outreach and Support
National Trade Facilitation Committees and Roadmaps

2015: UNECE published the Guide to drafting a National Trade Facilitation Roadmap

Proposes a tailor-made methodology based on field experience

Available in EN, FR, RUS (coming soon), Arabic

Successfully applied in Greece and in more than 60 other countries around the world (UNCTAD, WB..)

Art. 25.2 WTO TFA - Each Member shall establish and/or maintain a national committee on trade facilitation or designate an existing mechanism to facilitate both domestic coordination and implementation of provisions of this Agreement. (emphasis added)

The Roadmap in Tajikistan

The National Trade Facilitation Roadmap for Import and Export Enhancement and Diversification of the Republic of Tajikistan 2019 - 2024

Available in EN and RUS

TF for exports enhancement and diversification

Vision to reduce the time to cost to exports and imports by 50% and increase the exports base by at least 15% by 2024

To be achieved through 4 goals with KPIs and 64 actions

Adopted by NTFC and for adoption by the Parliament by Oct 2019
I. Project for ‘Strengthening the capacity of Central Asian countries to implement trade facilitation measures and better integrate into the international rules-based trading system’

II. UNDA project: ‘Evidence-based trade facilitation measures for economies in transition’

III. Support NTFCs in about 10 countries
Making trade facilitation reforms effective

I. Political leadership
II. Integration of TF reforms in the wider national SD agenda
III. Effective needs assessment and progress monitoring
IV. Donors coordination at the national/regional/international level (e.g. WTO TFA AnnexD+)
V. Continued and sustainable skills and capacity development

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