

## Implementation obligations on entry into force

Upon the entry into force of the WTO TFA, countries that have ratified the Agreement shall undertake the following steps:

### All WTO Members

To have in place a National Trade Facilitation Committee

### Developing countries

1. To notify Category A provisions
2. To implement Category A provisions
3. To notify Category B and C and their indicative dates for implementation

### Least developed countries

To start the countdown for the notification of Categories A, B and C

## UNCTAD Trade Facilitation assistance

40 years of experience



### Needs assessments, gap analysis and implementation plans

- 45 implementation plans
- 145 project proposals

### Trade portals

- 28 countries
- 129 systems implementation
- 1936 procedures documented online

[tradeportal.eregulations.org](http://tradeportal.eregulations.org)



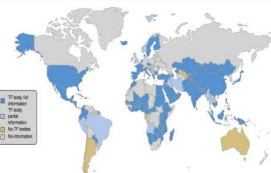
### Empowerment Programme for National Trade Facilitation Committees (NTFCs)

Ongoing in 15 developing and least-developed countries  
[unctad.org/eptf](http://unctad.org/eptf)

### Publications and Studies

New publication: Driving trade competitiveness, border agency effectiveness and strengthened governance

[unctad.org/tf](http://unctad.org/tf)



### UN Repository for NTFCs around the world

Information of over 130 NTFCs

[unctad.org/tfc](http://unctad.org/tfc)

### Customs Automation

- Operating in 90 countries
- Customs Administrations in 111 countries have benefited from capacity building

[asycuda.org](http://asycuda.org)



## East African Community case story

UNCTAD supported EAC and its five members to reach the following achievements:

- Notification of Category A provisions
- Establishment of the Regional Sub-committee on Trade Facilitation
- Establishment of five NTFCs
- Design of the strategic planning on trade facilitation
- Elaboration of 15 project proposals
- Completion of gap analysis and need assessments
- EAC Secretariat assistance

## Impact of the WTO TFA full implementation

18%

Reduction of trade costs of manufactured goods

10%

Reduction of trade costs of agricultural goods

\$1tn

Annual gains