

National Trade Facilitation Committees Global Forum 2022

Tangible solutions and approaches to empower NTFC as coordinators of trade facilitation reforms

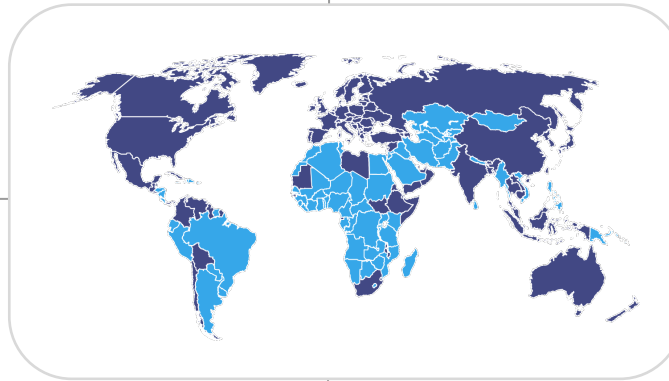
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Setting the scene: ITC's experience in supporting trade facilitation reforms

+80 countries supported

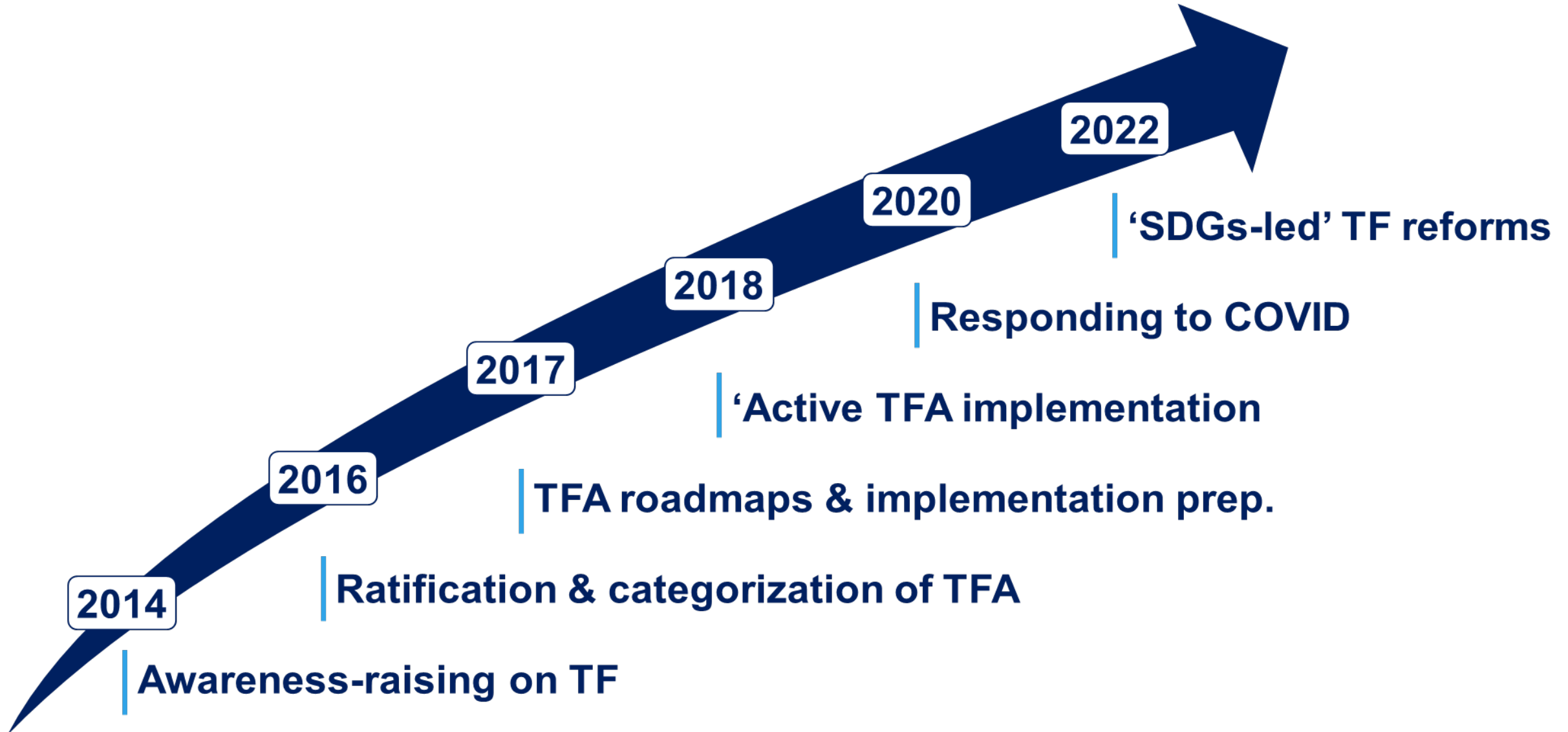
+50 TF reforms implemented



+40 NTFC strengthened

+15'000 businesses supported

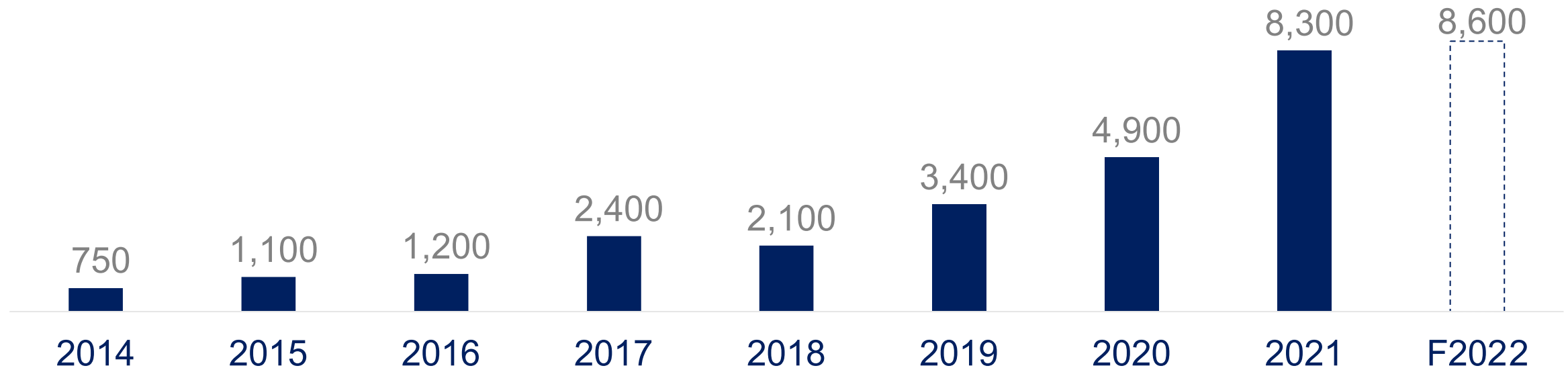
NTFCs' priorities have evolved since Bali



And ITC assistance has evolved to match countries' needs for TF Reforms

1,000% growth in project delivery from 2014 to 2021...

Evolution of ITC project portfolio (2014 – F2022, '000\$)



...a testimony of our beneficiaries and donors' trust

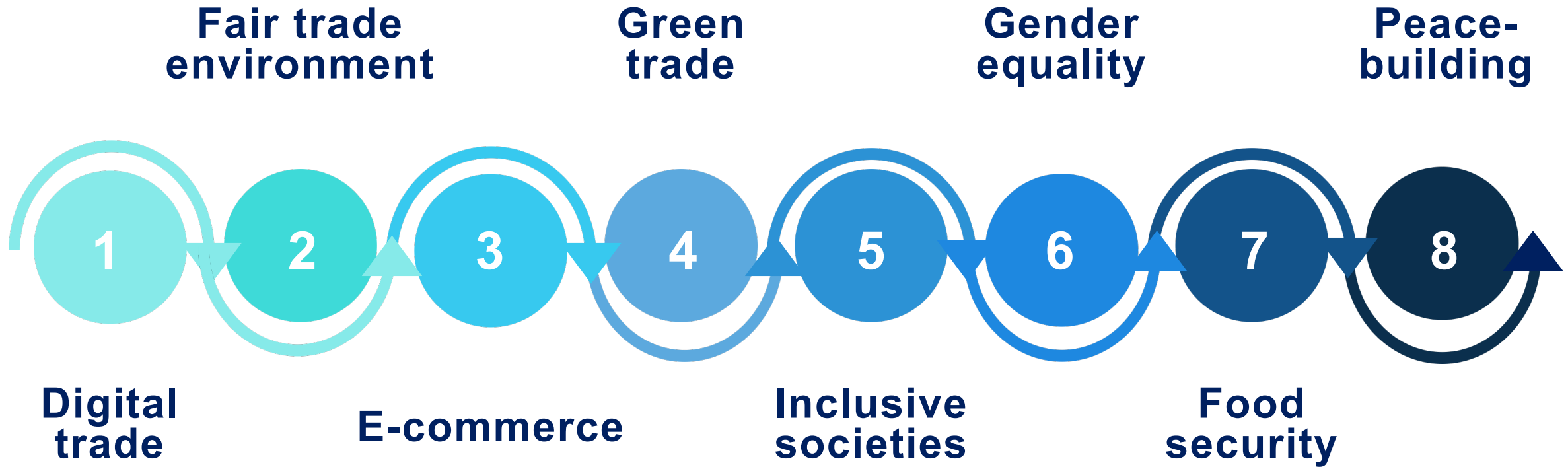
Lessons learnt from NTFCs as coordinators of TF Reforms

- ① Countries with ambitious NTFCs experienced faster and more impactful reforms
- ② NTFCs contributed to foster inter-agency cooperation, business perspective and 'whole-of-supply-chain' approaches in TF reforms
- ③ NTFCs have created stakeholder's buy-in for TFA implementation

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NTFCs can further improve their contribution by investing even more on monitoring, reporting and evaluation of reforms

Beyond TFA, NTFC shall keep pace with evolving trade dynamics and SDGs realization





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