

Multi-year Expert Meeting
on Transport, Trade Logistics and
Trade Facilitation
9th Session

**Sustainable and resilient transport and
trade facilitation in times of pandemic
and beyond: key challenges and
opportunities**

12–14 July 2022

Trade Facilitation Introduction

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Trade developments

Global trade hits a record in first quarter of 2022
Quarterly world trade in **GOODS** and **SERVICES** in US\$ trillion



New record \$7.7 trillion

Note: Figures for Q1 2022 are preliminary
Source: UNCTAD calculations based on national statistics

THE GLOBAL PARCEL TSUNAMI

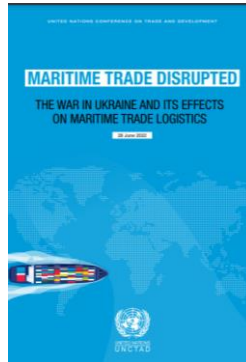


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Trade Facilitation challenges



Supply Chain disruptions



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Trade Facilitation challenges



Global Supply Chain Pressure Index (GSCPI)



OVERVIEW **GSCPI** FAQs

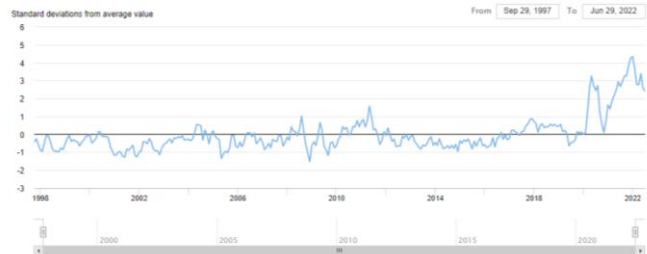
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Estimates for June 2022

- Global supply chain pressures declined in June, continuing the decrease we observed for May.
- The June decline was mostly due to a large decrease in Chinese supply delivery times.
- The moves in the GSCPI over the past three months suggest that although global supply chain pressures have been decreasing, they remain at historically high levels.

Latest Update June 2022

Enter a date range to see monthly estimates or use the slider below to view a specific date range.



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Benefits of Trade Facilitation



**Overall objective:
Reduce time and cost for cross-border trade**



FULFILLING THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



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UNCTAD Trade facilitation



Mandate: Bridgetown Covenant on Trade Facilitation

- Continue and reinforce its work through its three pillars to support implementation of trade facilitation reforms, including the Agreement on Trade Facilitation of the World Trade Organization, and enhance its support to the development and the implementation of appropriate legal frameworks that reduce trade transaction costs.



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Deliver: Our Products



- Wide-range of technical assistance products and methodologies
- Specific tools depending on needs and individual situation assisting developing countries meet obligations
- Focus on WTO TFA obligations and TF reforms such as transparency; simplifying, standardizing and harmonizing procedures; digitalization and monitoring progress



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Debate: UNCTAD meetings



NTFC
GLOBAL
FORUM
2022

01 - 04 Feb. 2022
Global forum 2022 for national trade facilitation committees

Transport and trade connectivity in the age of pandemics -

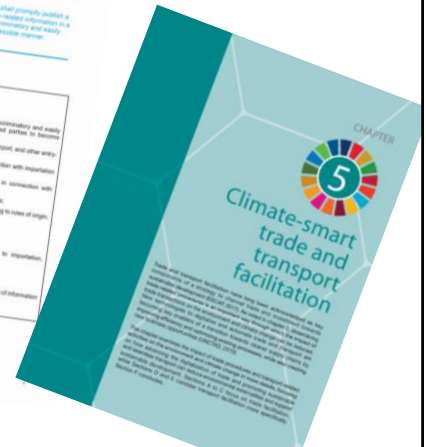
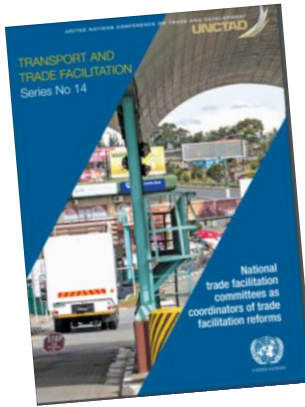


20 - 24 June 2022
10:00 - 16:00 CEST
Online
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Think : UNCTAD Publications



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UNCTAD Trade Facilitation



UNCTAD activity and Impact

- Regular activities in 40+ countries, 5 new countries in 2021, several RECs
- 1000+ people attended UNCTAD training courses – 50% women
- Overall budget from extra-budgetary contributions: Around US\$ 4 million
- Donors: AfDB, D, EU, Pacer Plus, TMEA, UK, UN, WBG

Impact

- Contributed to **accelerated implementation of WTO TFA** by assisting more than 15 countries in their notifications and ratification
- UNCTAD Empowerment Program (EP) for National TF Committees - capacity building feedback **85% of participants feel that they are in a better position to fulfil their NTFC roles and implement TF**
- **Gender mainstreaming** through training module on Trade Facilitation and Gender

QUESTION: WHAT MORE SHOULD UNCTAD DO IN TF?

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Trade Facilitation session program



Implementing sustainable and transparent trade facilitation reforms

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- Mr. Christopher Dobson, Capacity-Building Lead, Customs International, HM Revenue and Customs, United Kingdom: donor perspective
- Mr. Carlos Enriquez Montes, Senior Director for Regulatory Affairs, DHL Express Americas: private sector view

Good practices in implementing trade facilitation tools

- Ms. Joeline Modeste Hariniaina, Permanent secretariat of the National Trade Facilitation Committee, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, Madagascar: Reform Tracker experiences
- Mr. Joseph Nguene Nteppe, Head, Analysis, forecast and Cooperation, Port Authority of Douala: transit experiences and transit coordination
- Mr. Luis Alberto Torres Gómez, Head of Customs Policy Department, Honduras Customs Administration, Honduras: Rapid Scans experiences
- Mr. Stanley Trief, Manager, Electronic Single Window Project, Ministry of Tourism, Trade, Commerce and Ni-Vanuatu Business, Vanuatu: ASYCUDA
- Ms. Jane Musyoki, Principal E-Portal and Value Add Services Officer, KenTrade, Kenya: trade portal experiences

Interactive discussion

National experiences

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