BAHRAIN
Moving up the trade facilitation ladder
towards seamless international supply chains

[Cumulative implementation scores of core groups of measures; full implementation =100]

The level of implementation of trade facilitation measures in Bahrain (53.8%) is above the level in West Asia (48.4%). Among the five core groups of trade facilitation measures, the most implemented in Bahrain are “Formalities” measures (95.8%). The least implemented are “Cross-border paperless trade” measures (0.0%). In Transit, Bahrain’s measures are well implemented (77%) and they exceed the regional level of implementation by 17%.

Implementation of “Transparency” measures is below the regional average. Particularly, measures such as Independent Appeal Mechanism, Stakeholder consultations on draft regulations and Advance publication of regulations before implementation have not been implemented in Bahrain.

In “Paperless trade”, Bahrain’s implementation is above the regional average. However, E-application for customs refunds, E-preferential certificate of origin, E-trade licenses and E-customs system have not been implemented yet. Despite partially developing a legal framework for electronic transactions Bahrain has not implemented any other “Cross-border paperless trade” measure.

Bahrain may focus its trade facilitation efforts in particular on full implementation of “Transparency” and “Paperless trade” measures, as well as on moving towards “Cross-border paperless trade”.

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