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Transparency

- Publication of regulations on the internet
- Independent appeal mechanism
- Stakeholder consultations on draft regulations
- Advance ruling
- Advance publication of regulation before implementation

Formalities

- Risk management
- Acceptance of paper or electronic copies
- Expedited shipments
- TF measures for authorized operators
- Post-clearance audit
- Separation of Release and Clearance
- Publication of average release times

Paperless trade

- E-Customs System
- E-Payment of duties
- E-Preferential Certificate of Origin
- E-Air Cargo Manifests
- E-Trade licenses
- Internet connection available at borders
- E-Single window
- E-submission of Customs declarations

Cross-border paperless trade

- E-letter of credit
- Exchange of E-SPS
- Exchange of E-Certificates of Origin
- Laws for electronic transactions
- Certification authority

Institutional arrangement and cooperation

- National TF Committee
- OGAs delegate controls to Customs
- Intra-agency cooperation at national level

- Vanuatu
- Pacific Island Developing Economies
- Asia-Pacific
The level of implementation of trade facilitation measures in Vanuatu (41%) is below the level in Asia-Pacific (46.5%). It is however higher than the level of implementation in Pacific Island Developing Economies (28.5%). Among the five core groups of trade facilitation measures, the most implemented in Vanuatu are “Institutional arrangement and cooperation” measures (55.6%). The least implemented are “Cross-border paperless trade” measures (16.7%).

Implementation of “Transparency” measures is below the regional average, but above the sub-regional average. The measures least implemented in this area in Vanuatu are Advance ruling and Independent appeal mechanism. Implementation of improved “Formalities” is higher than both the regional and sub-regional averages. The least implemented measures in this area are Separation of release and clearance, Publication of average release times and TF measures for authorized operators.

In “Paperless trade”, Vanuatu’s implementation is lower than the regional average, but higher than the sub-regional average. E-Single window, E-Trade licenses, E-Preferential Certificate of Origin and E-Application for Customs refunds are least implemented.

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

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