



HM Revenue
& Customs

Multi Annual Strategic Plan

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Adapting to an evolving environment

- **Legal adaptation to an evolving political, legal and IT-related environment**
 - Lisbon strategy: Business competitiveness
 - e-Europe and e-Government
 - Enlargement
 - Security threats
- **Commission Communications and Council Resolution on paperless customs and external border security**

Amendment to the Customs Code : The Security Amendment

- Electronic exchange of data
- Pre-arrival/departure declaration
- Common risk management
- Authorized Economic Operator

Modernized Customs Code

- Electronic declarations
- A single simplified procedure
- Non-compliance: harmonization
- Customs agents
- Authorized Economic Operator concept
- Merger and alignment of special procedures
- New concepts: centralized clearance, single window, one-stop shop

Legal acts and information sources

e-Europe	Commission Communication of 28th May 2002; COM (2002) 263
e-Government	Commission Communication of 26th September 2003; COM (2003) 567
Communication on paperless customs and trade	Commission Communication of 24th July 2003; COM (2003) 452
Council resolution on paperless customs and trade	OJ 2003/C 305 E/01, p. 1

Legal acts and information sources

Amendment to the Customs Code	OJ 2005 No. L 117, p. 13
Draft modernized Customs Code	TAXUD/458/2004 Rev. 4
Multi-annual strategic plan	TAXUD/477/2004 Rev. 3 Working document
Draft Council decision	Is being drafted by TAXUD

Interoperability and accessibility

- Interoperability
 - NCTS, ECS/AES, ICS/AIS
 - Risk management
 - Traders database
 - between systems
 - Single Window
- Accessibility
 - Customs information portal
 - Single access point

Legal threads

- **Amendment to the Customs Code**

- Mid 2006 implementing Security amendment with provisions in force
- Mid 2009 Electronic systems in place

- **Modernized Customs Code**

- July 2005 Commission proposal
- 2009 Entry into force (together with IP)

- **Council decision implementing eCustoms**

- Summer 2005 Commission proposal
- Mid 2006 Entry into force
- Timeframe until 2009

Provisional timeframe

Implementation phases

- **Specifications: 2004 - 2006**
- **Implementation: 2006 – 2008**
- **"0 to 25" transition: 2008 - 2010**

Authorized Economic Operator (1)

- Essential concept with regard to security related controls and facilitation
- EU wide recognition of the status
- Benefits:
 - facilitations with regard to customs controls relating to security and safety and/or
 - simplifications provided for under the customs rules
- Implementing provisions:
 - Criteria for granting AEO status,
 - rules for the authorization procedure,
 - simplifications

Centralized Clearance (1)

- Procedural concept
- Local clearance procedure is extended to the whole customs territory.
- The customs declaration is lodged and the customs debt arises at the place where the trader is established, regardless of the place of the goods.
- AEO will not have to deal with other customs administrations than with the ones of the Member State where he is established.
- Condition: AEO (and Single European Authorization?)

Single access point (1)

- e-gouvernement concept
- Traders lodge all their electronic customs declarations to one single access point, even if the goods are cleared in another Member State.
- This data is automatically made available to the customs office where the goods are presented after technical validation of data format / transcription of the data to the format and semantics required by the receiver of the data.
- Feedback to the trader in the format agreed with the trader.
- Free choice of SAP (run by MS or private operators)?

Single Window and One-Stop Shop

SINGLE WINDOW

- Traders submit all data required for the customs procedure to customs, even if they are required by non-customs legislation and need to be submitted to health, environment, police and other authorities and agencies (e.g. electronic certificates)
- Real-time exchange of data between customs and these authorities and agencies will enable customs to validate this data submitted by traders

ONE-STOP SHOP

- Physical controls required by different authorities and agencies involved in customs transactions are performed at the same time and at the same place

Information Portal

- Information needed for import/export transactions in a Member State is available at the same website
- Web of national and EU customs webs
- Seamless surfing from one to other sites



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IT`S ALL CHANGE !!!!

Questions