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**National Workshop on the Authorized Economic Operator Programme  
21-23 October 2014, Baku, Azerbaijan**

**Agenda**

<b>Day 1 Tuesday, 21 October 2014</b>	
<b>8:30 – 9:00</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>9:00 - 9:30</b>	<b>Opening/welcome remarks</b>
<b>9:30 - 10:00</b>	<p><b>The SAFE framework of standards and the AEO</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The SAFE framework of standards (4 core principles, 2 pillars, 17 standards)</li> <li>▪ AEO requirements</li> <li>▪ Benefits provided to AEOs</li> <li>▪ AEO authorization/validation and re-assessment processes</li> </ul> <p><b>Resource Person: Mr. Georges Cantone, WCO</b></p>
<b>10:00 - 10:15</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>10:15 – 12:00</b>	<p><b>Continuation of SAFE Framework of Standards</b></p> <p><b>Open Forum</b></p>
<b>12:00 - 13:30</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>13:30 – 15:30</b>	<p><b>Future developments on AEO programmes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ State of play and future developments regarding Mutual Recognition Agreements (MRAs)</li> <li>▪ The Revised Kyoto Convention and the WTO Agreement on Trade Facilitation (ATF) and their respective compliance/security Programmes</li> </ul>
<b>15:30 – 15:45</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>15:45 – 17:00</b>	<p><b>AEO tools and guidance</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ AEO Implementation Guidelines</li> <li>▪ MRA guidelines</li> <li>▪ AEO template (Self assessment questionnaire)</li> <li>▪ AEO compendium</li> </ul> <p><b>Resource Person : Mr. Georges Cantone, WCO</b></p>



Day 2 Wednesday, 22 October 2014	
9:30 – 10:45	<p><b>Implementation of an AEO programme in a Customs union: the European Union AEO experience</b></p> <p><b>1) EU legislation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ AEO customs simplifications and AEO security/safety respective requirements and benefits</li> <li>▪ AEO authorization/validation and re-assessment processes</li> <li>▪ Sanctions (suspension, revocation and right to be heard).</li> <li>▪ AEO in the future Customs Code</li> </ul> <p><b>Resource Person: Mr. Georges Sassone, AEO Expert</b></p>
10:45	<b>Coffee break</b>
11:00 – 12:30	<b>Continuation of discussions</b>
12:30 – 14:00	<b>Lunch</b>
14:00 – 15 :30	<p><b>Implementation of an AEO programme in a Customs union: the European Union AEO experience (to be continued)</b></p> <p><b>2) Practices</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Registration of applications, communication and follow up system between Members States (EOS)</li> <li>▪ EU's MRA experience (gap analysis, working visits, agreement drafting</li> <li>▪ MRA application system (AEO registration and follow up system, data protection)</li> </ul> <p><b>Resource Person: Mr. Georges Sassone, AEO Expert</b></p>
15:30	<b>Coffee break</b>
15:30 – 17:00	<b>Continuation of discussions</b>
Day 3 Thursday 23 October 2014	
9:00 – 10:00	<p><b>I- Presentation of Azerbaijan experience with regard to Customs simplifications and Customs Business partnership</b></p> <p>Legislation, current situation and future developments</p> <p>Resource Person: Azerbaijan Customs</p>
10:00 – 10:15	<b>Coffee break</b>



<b>10:15 – 12:15</b>	<b>II- Discussions in breakout sessions (to be determined):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Brief Gap analysis (between local programme and SAFE prescriptions (based a paper to be circulated)</li><li>▪ Recommendations and next steps</li></ul>
<b>12:15 – 13:30</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>
<b>13: 30 – 15:00</b>	<b>Report of breakout sessions (15 mins each)</b>
<b>15:00 – 15:15</b>	Coffee break
<b>15:15-16:50</b>	<b>Report of breakout sessions (15 mins each)</b>
<b>16:50-17:00</b>	<b>Closing statements</b>