

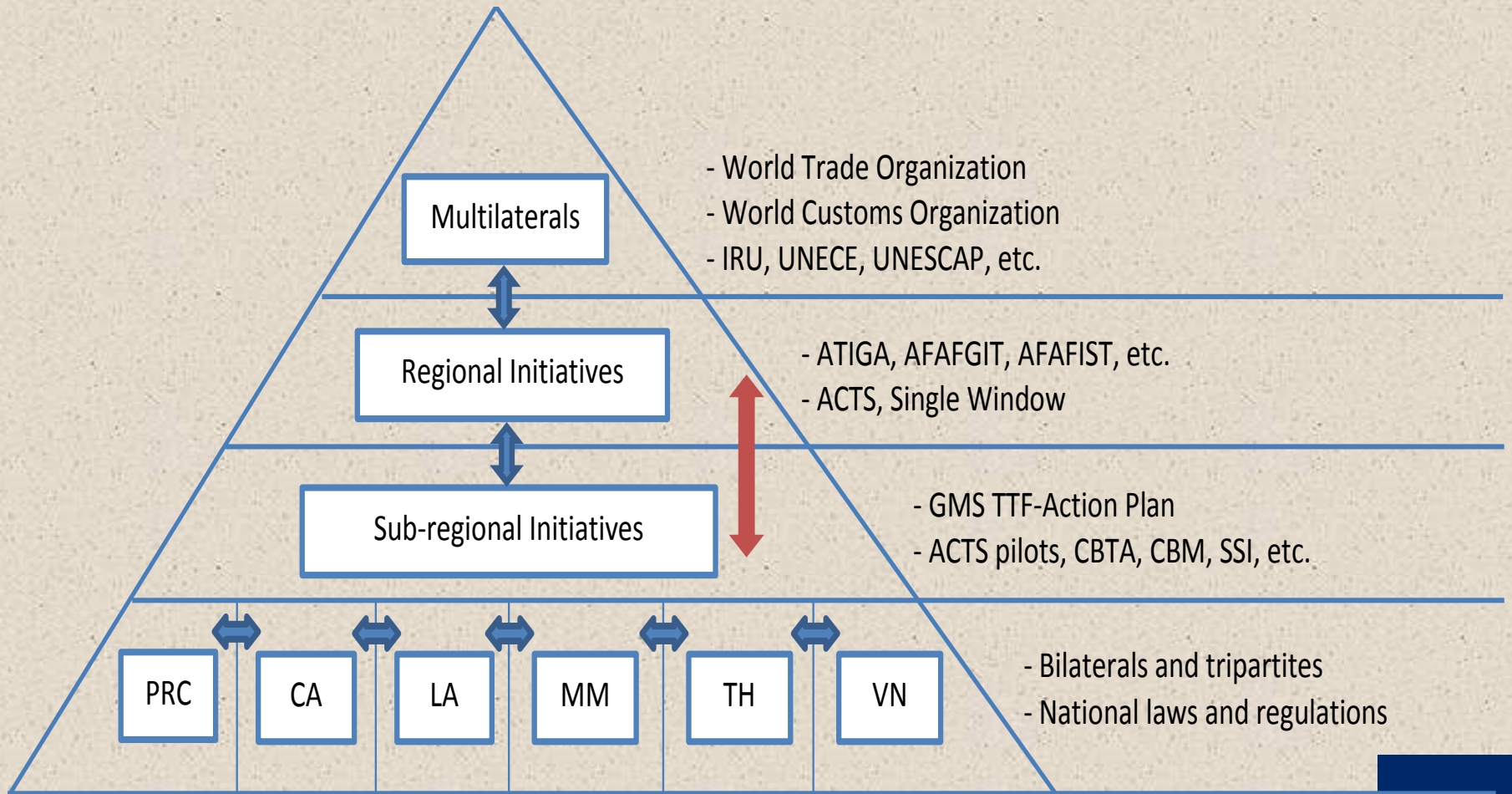
ADB's Support for Trade Facilitation (TF) in ASEAN

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1. Overview of TF in Southeast Asia

- In the AEC Blueprint 2025
 - ✓ TF and Customs integration as one of the key measures
- ADB adopts two-pronged approach:
 - ✓ ASEAN Level : Engagement with SEOM & DG Customs
 - ✓ Subregional economic cooperation level (GMS, BIMP-EAGA, IMT-GT): → Building blocks for the AEC
 - ✓ National Support: Implementation at national and subnational levels.
- Development partner/coordinator to promote synergies and ensure efficient support to countries.

TF Support to ASEAN: the TTF Pyramid



TF Support to ASEAN (National Level Examples)

Cambodia

- TRS
- Cargo Tracking
- Enhancement of NSW
- RKC compliance
- Risk Management

Lao PDR

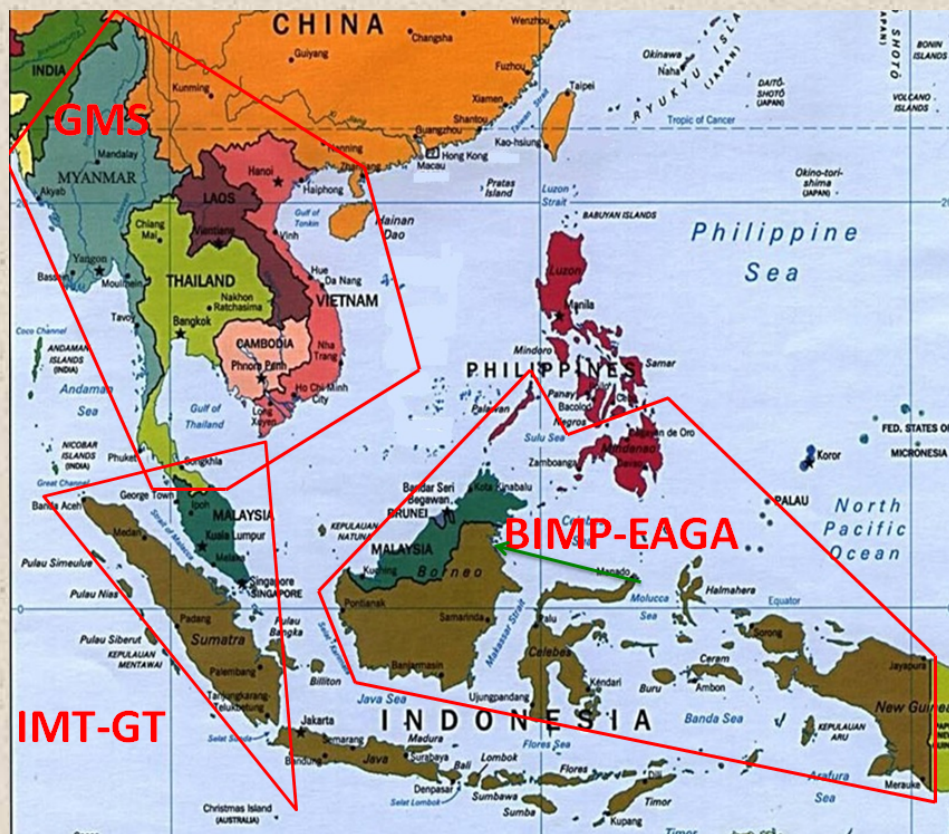
- TRS
- Regional TRS with Viet Nam and Thailand
- Risk Management

Myanmar

- TRS
- Customs brokers training
- AEO
- HRD
- MCDIS

TF Support to ASEAN (Sub-regional Level Examples)

- ASEAN subregions are implementing various transport and trade facilitation (TTF) measures
 - GMS Transport and Trade Facilitation
 - BIMP-EAGA CIQS Action Plan
 - IMT-GT CIQ work at early stage
- Increasing alignment with ASEAN Trade Facilitation initiatives (ATIGA, AFAGIT, ACA, etc.)



TF Support to ASEAN (sub-regional Level Examples)

BIMP-EAGA: Implementation of international and ASEAN standards/ commitments

- strengthen working relations among border officers, including through TRS
- address capacity disparities among countries
- provide technical advisory services
- Strengthen partnership with private sector

ASEAN “plus”: addressing subregion-specific issues in trade facilitation

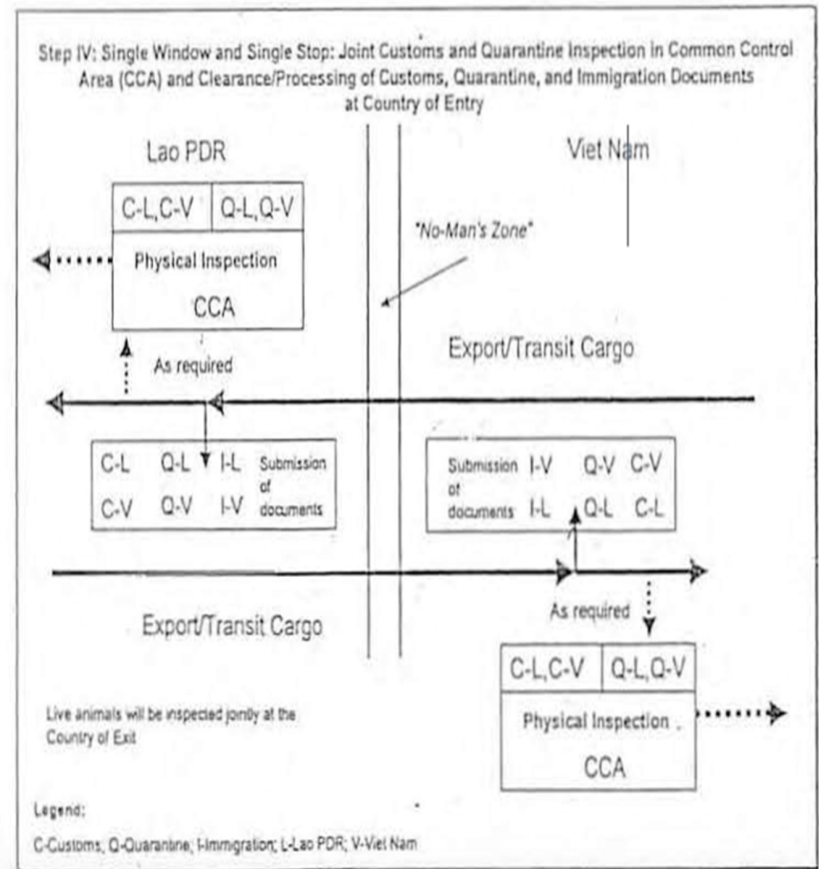
- Kick start of One Borneo Quarantine collaboration regime
- Port Security on secondary ports/non-convention vessels
- Subregional AEO

TF Support to ASEAN (sub-regional Level Examples)

GMS Cross Border Transport Facilitation Agreement (CBTA)

- Coordinated Border Management (SSI/SW)
- Early Harvest Implementation of CBTA launched – Need Transit..!!!

Figure 4



TF Support to ASEAN (Engagement at Regional Level)

- **SEOM** – exchange of info and update
- **DG Customs** – Support in conduct of TRS to support ASEAN Trade Facilitation Indicator
- **Coordination** with ASEAN Secretariat and its DPs facilities
- **Intersubregional** examples:
 - GMS → supporting ASEAN-China.
 - Timor Leste-Indonesia

Summary

- Alignment of TF measures at various level essential
- ADB is leveraging its long-standing partnerships with the GMS, BIMP-EAGA, and IMT-GT subregional programs to strengthen “software” connectivity via transport and trade facilitation in the ASEAN region.
- DP coordination is important to ensure effective and efficient out come of the support
- ADB will continue to support AMS in facilitating their trade and meeting their commitments to regional and multilateral level.

THANK YOU

