
CAREC Workshop on Single Electronic Window Development

The ASEAN Experience

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Background

- Idea originated on 9 December 2005
- Achieve better economic efficiency and effectiveness of ASEAN economies by 2020
- ASEAN Single Window will be in operation when all 10 National Single Windows are operating in an integrated manner

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Objective

- To achieve average time of customs and release of a containerized shipment of 30 minutes at any entry point of ASEAN
 - To enhance the economic competitiveness of ASEAN
 - To process all trade and trade-related documents electronically
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The National Single Window

- a single submission of data and information
 - a single and synchronous processing of data and information
 - a single decision-making for customs release and clearance
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Milestone

- Pilot project successfully conducted between Philippines and Thailand
- Activities included the exchange information of ASEAN Customs Declaration Document and Certificate of Origin (Form D) under the CEPT Scheme of AFTA

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Roadmap for ASEAN single Window

- Four major phases:

Phase I:

- ASEAN Members to set up the national working group and consolidate various documents and procedures involved in international trade

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Phase II :

- Inter-Agency Task Force to study current workflow and data and re-engineer it.
- Develop draft ASEAN agreement for the implementation of ASEAN single window model

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Phase III:

- Finalize the draft ASEAN single window agreement and the technical documents.
- Develop draft of ASEAN Single Window model

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Phase IV:

- Finalize the ASEAN single window model
- Develop the implementation plan
- Submit ASEAN Single Window model to ASEAN Economic Ministers for official endorsement

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Challenges

- A single point of access also presents a single point of failure
- Security and Ownership of Trade Data
- Duplication of technical modules, features and functionalities between a Centralized ASEAN SW and the various National SWs

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- Who operates the Centralized ASEAN SW within ASEAN?
- How can cost be shared between NSW and Centralized ASEAN SW?
- Will lobbying of the host and operations of the ASEAN SW cause dissent?

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- How does it maintain impartiality to all Member Nations and National SWs?
 - How does a Centralized ASEAN SW, if being operated according to market forces, cater to all Member Nations fairly and equitably?
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