



# Implementation of the Trade Facilitation Agreement in the Kyrgyz Republic



# Background

*November  
2016*

- **The Kyrgyz Republic ratified the Agreement** by the KR Law “On Ratification of the Protocol on Amendments to the Marrakesh Agreement on Establishment of the WTO adopted on November 27, 2014 in Geneva”

*December  
2016*

- **The Kyrgyz Republic submitted an instrument of acceptance** to the Depositary at the World Trade Organization

*July  
2017*

- **The Regulation on the Trade Facilitation Council** in the Kyrgyz Republic has been approved by a resolution of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic

*September  
2017*

- **The membership of the Trade Facilitation Council** has been approved by an instruction of the Prime Minister of the Kyrgyz Republic

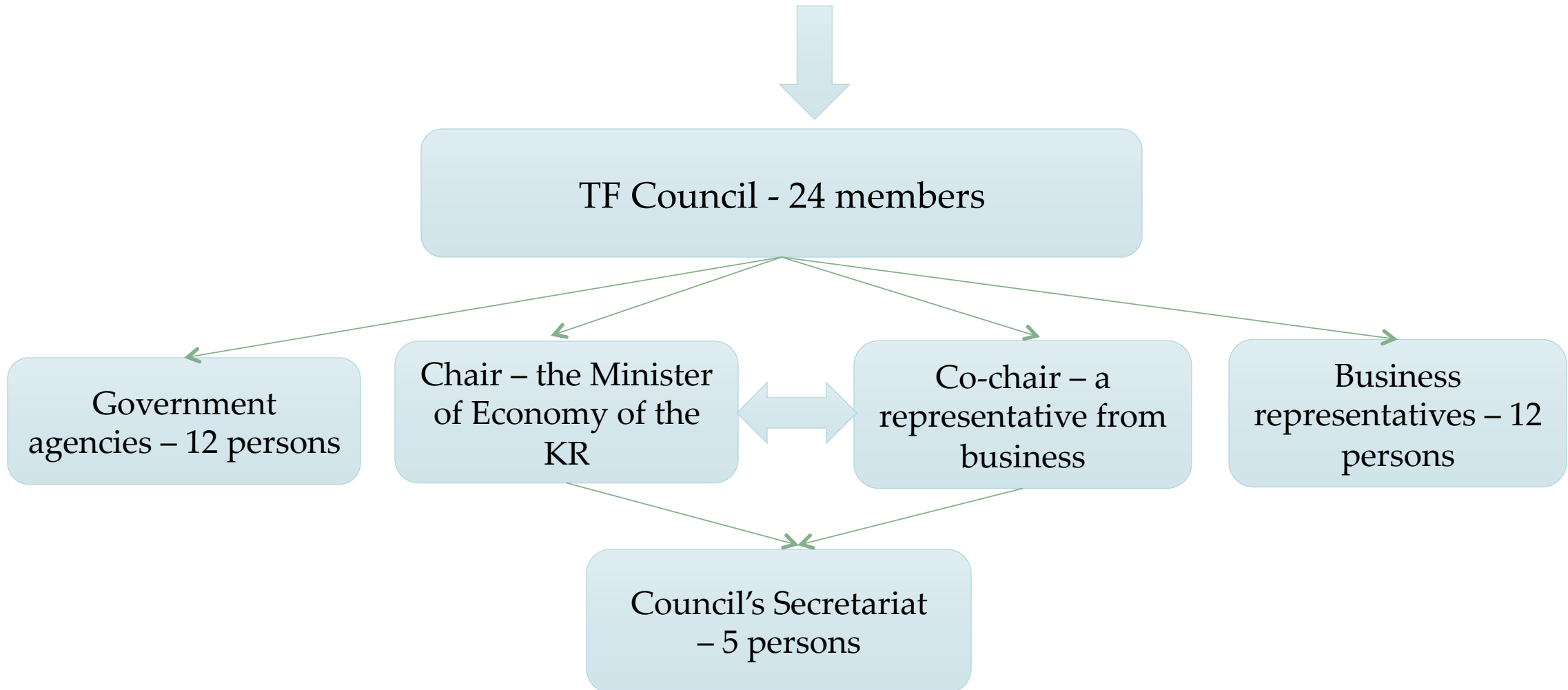


# Trade Facilitation Council in the KR

The Council is an interagency advisory body with the aim to coordinate activities of government agencies, to harmonize interests of the government and business to simplify procedures in the field of foreign trade and foreign freight transport, including implementation of the TFA provisions.

A platform for a dialogue between government agencies and business and a single platform for coordinating actions aimed at trade facilitation.

# Council's Structure





# TFA Implementation Plan

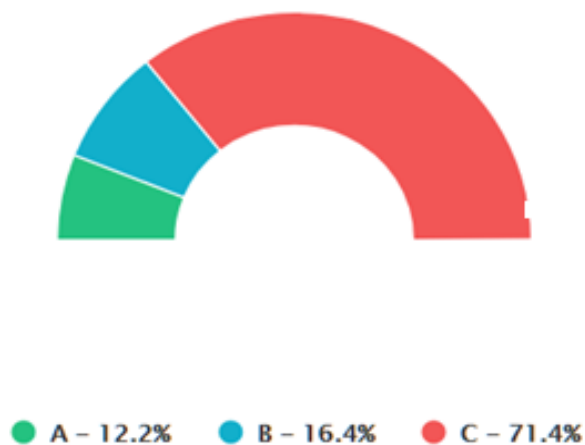
- The Kyrgyz Republic's plan for implementation of the Trade Facilitation Agreement was approved by the Council in December 2017;
- The plan consists of 13 items and includes 147 activities on categories A, B and C:
  - Category A – 6 activities;
  - Category B – 21 activities;
  - Category C - 120 activities;
- The plan's implementation period: 2018-2022; the plan is being prioritized for 2019: 4 main areas have been identified: export and e- declaration (SW and e-documents); access to information - development of a trade portal; simplification at the border - interaction among government agencies on implementation of recommendations and activities envisaged by the time release study and the review of business processes at the border; transit facilitation.

# The Status of TFA commitments Implementation by the Kyrgyz Republic

Notification status

Shares of Categories A, B, C

Based on the percentage of all known goods



Progress in implementing commitments

12.2%

- The level of implementing commitments as of today

16.4%

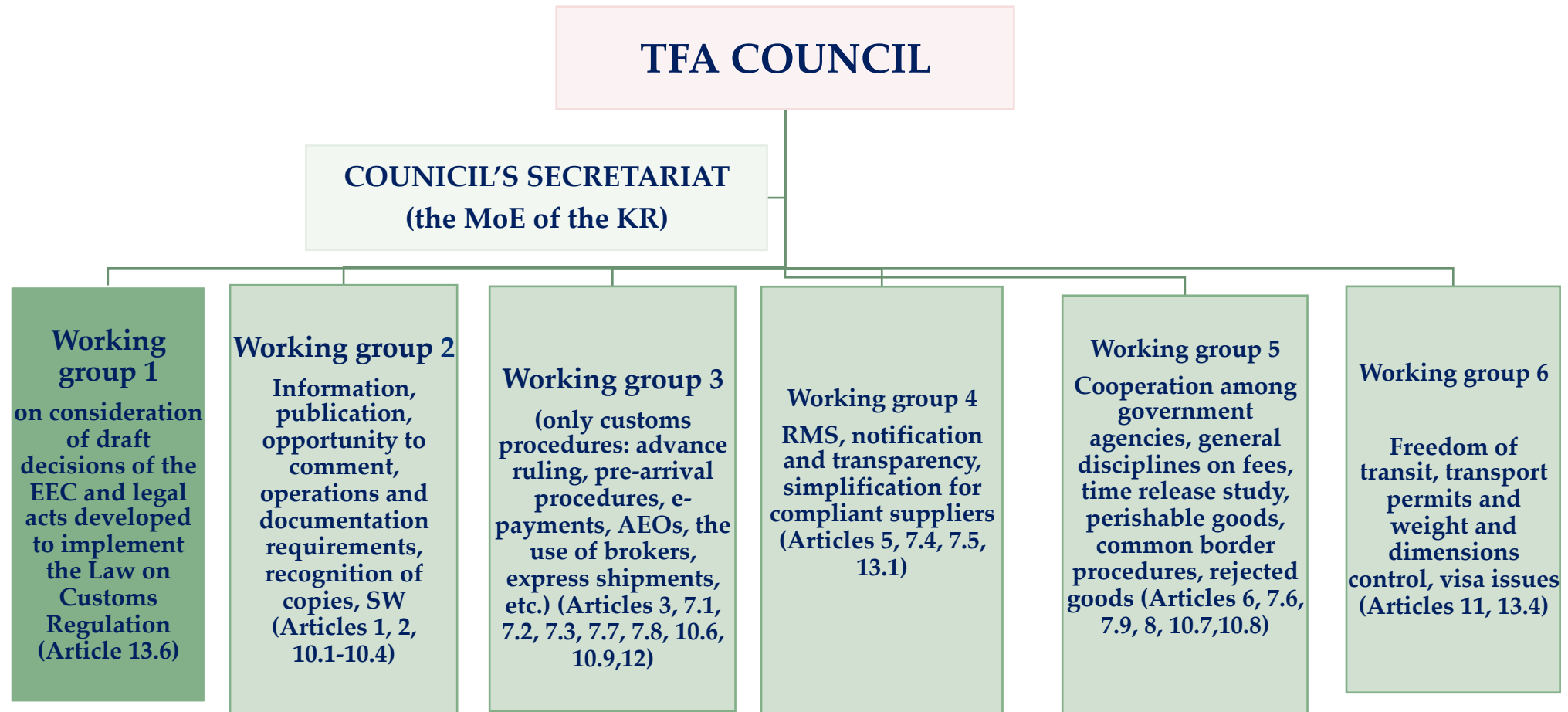
- The level of implementing commitments from December 2019 to December 2020, without support

71.4%

- The level of implementing commitments from December 2019 to December 2020, with capacity building support



# Process for implementation of the TFA Plan





# TFA Implementation Process

- Includes activities that are not envisaged by the TFA (transport permits, quotas, visas, simplifications for trusted and compliant suppliers, technical regulation issues, etc.)
- The working groups worked out the details of activities described in the Plan, according to their own specifics
- Consideration of draft EAEC decisions in respective WGs and development of Kyrgyzstan's position
- There are some results: cancellation of environmental fees by a resolution of the GoKR dated 28 January 2019<sup>4</sup>; authorized government bodies are coordinating the conditions for introduction of the international vehicle weight certificate and the regulation on the national transit coordinator.





# TFA Implementation Process

With the technical support from international development partners:

- Improving Border Services, 2014-2018 (ADB-RIBS)
- The project “Single Window in Foreign Trade”, 2007-2018 (ADB, GIZ / German International Cooperation);
- Customs Risk Management, Time Release Study, 2017-2019 (IFC, GIZ) Training and Review of Business Process at the Border, 2017-2018 (GIZ)
- Introduction of alternative guarantees for transit, simplification of transport procedures, 2017-2019 (GIZ)
- Reinstitution of TIR-EPD (GIZ)
- E-commerce, legal and technical framework / express shipment (GIZ)
- Alignment with international standards, 2014-2019 (USAID, GIZ)
- Technical assistance for trade information (GIZ, UNDP Aid for Trade)
- Capacity building related to TFA, WCO Data Model, SCS KR (GIZ, IFC, BOMCA), etc.



***Thank you for attention!***

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