State Customs Committee of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Azerbaijan Single Window: Towards an improved SW

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Starting Point

Presidential Decree No.12 dated November 11, 2008

"Application of the "Single window" principle when checking goods and vehicles moving through the checkpoints on the state border of the Republic of Azerbaijan"

https://e-qanun.az/framework/15605#_edn3

March 9, 2004 No.602-IIQ

Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan on electronic signature and electronic document

https://e-qanun.az/framework/5916

May 10, 2005 No.908-IIQ

Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan on electronic commerce

https://e-qanun.az/framework/10406

September 30, 2005 No.1024-IIQ

Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan on obtaining information

https://e-qanun.az/framework/11142

Decree of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan on approval of the
"National strategy on information and communication technologies for the development of the Republic of Azerbaijan (2003-2012)"
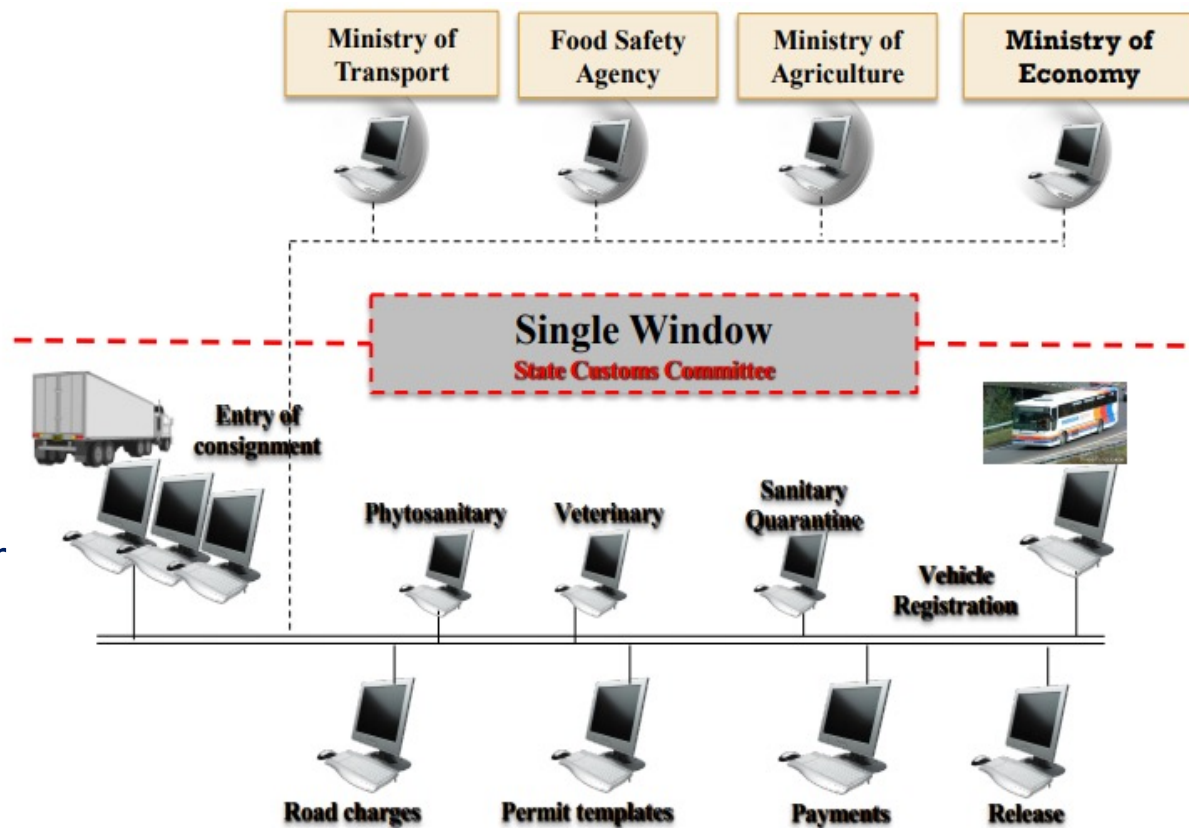
State program for the development of the national payment system in the Republic of Azerbaijan for 2005-2007

Program of actions for the development of the "Electronic Government" in the Republic of Azerbaijan for 2005-2008

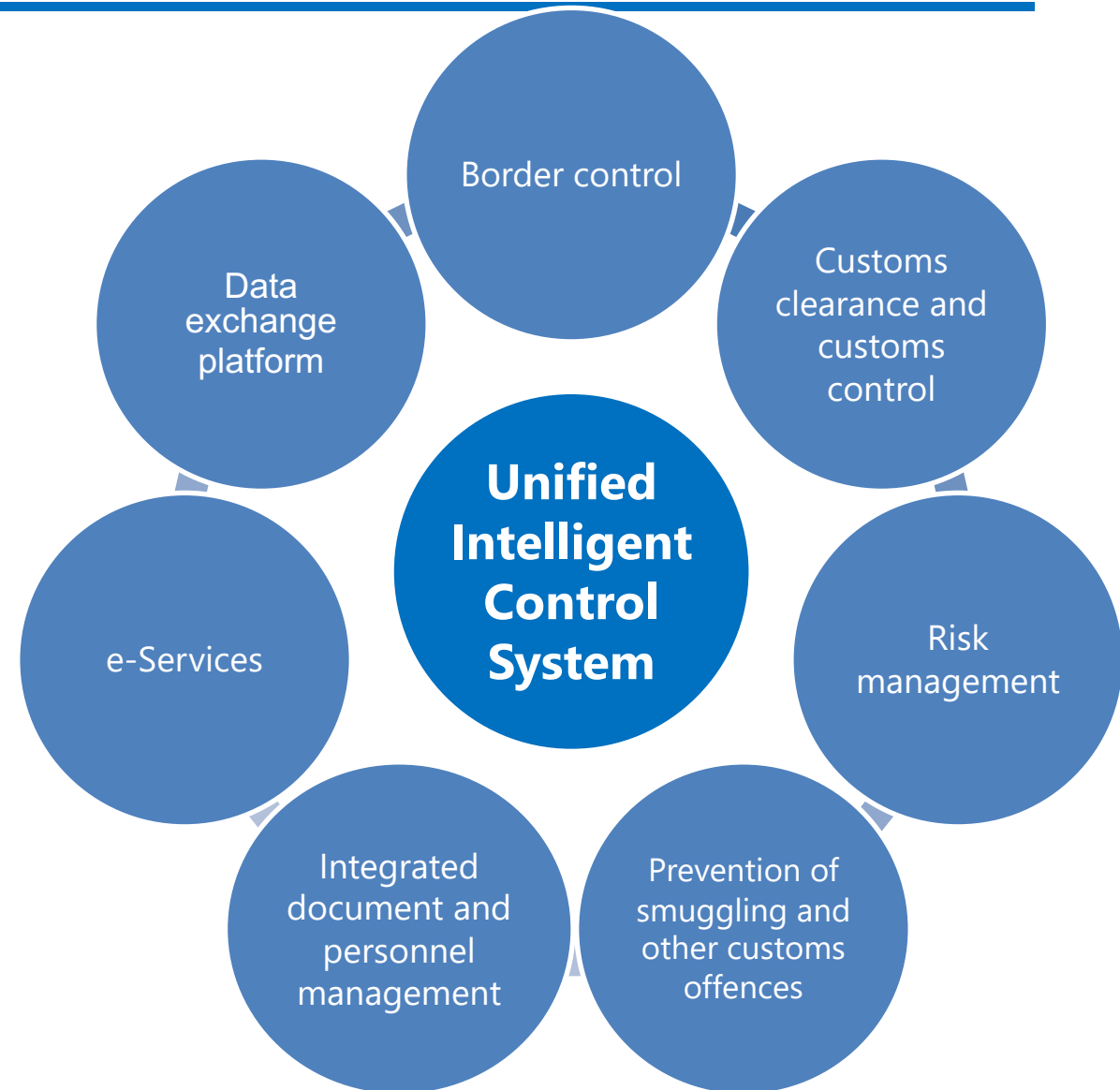# **Starting Point -** Single Window Principles at BCP

- Departments of phytosanitary, sanitary-quarantine and veterinary control have been created at the State Customs Committee. The State Customs Committee started to perform the functions of the relevant ministries at the borders.

- Control over the application of road tax, permit forms and quotas at border checkpoints is carried out by the State Customs Committee. The exchange of information with other institutions is exercised through the integration into an electronic system.

Achievements

- ➤ **e-Signature**
- ➤ **e-Declaration**
- ➤ **Risk management system**
- ➤ **e-Payment**
- ➤ **Application system**
- ➤ **Preliminary decisions**
- ➤ **e-Queue**
- ➤ **Integration into e-Government**
- ➤ **Single Sign-on (SSO) technology**
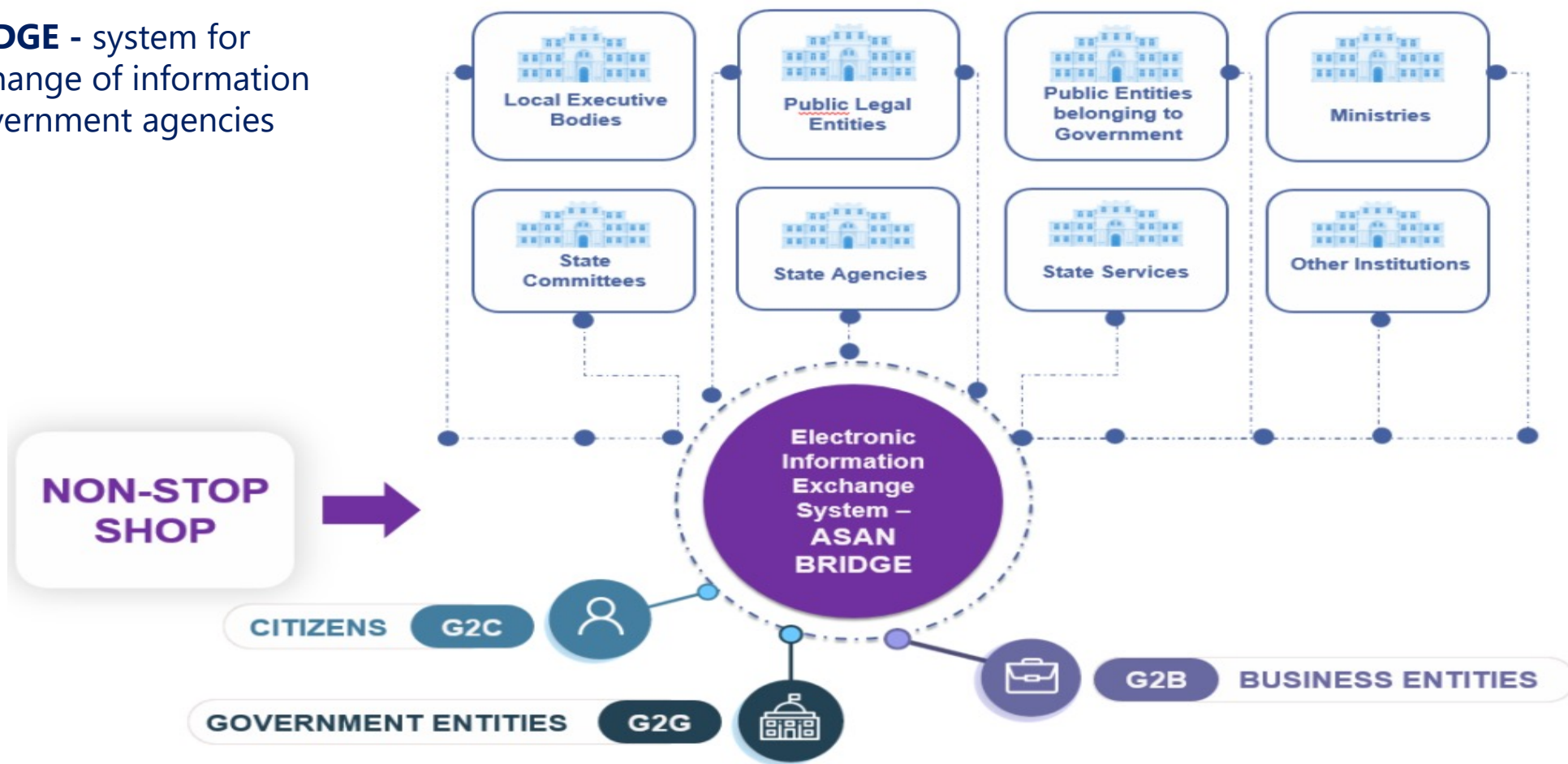- ➤ **Data exchange platform**
- ➤ **e-Commerce declaration**

Unified Intelligent Control System

- Border control
- Customs clearance and customs control
- Risk management
- Prevention of smuggling and other customs offences
- Integrated document and personnel management
- e-Services
- Data exchange platform

e-Gov integration

- **ASAN BRIDGE -** system for secure exchange of information among government agencies

Online Trading Platform (DTH)

- *"On additional measures to strengthen Azerbaijan's position as a digital trade hub and expand foreign trade operations"*

- Decree of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan
- February 22, 2017

Single online application for export

Licenses and Permits - web portal

January 21, 2017 No.1205

On the approval of the Regulations on the "Licenses and Permissions" Portal

https://e-qanun.az/framework/34660

https://lisenziya.gov.az

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Government institutions

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Licenses and Permits

Global Poll Results

Trade facilitation rating:

2019 -   81.72%
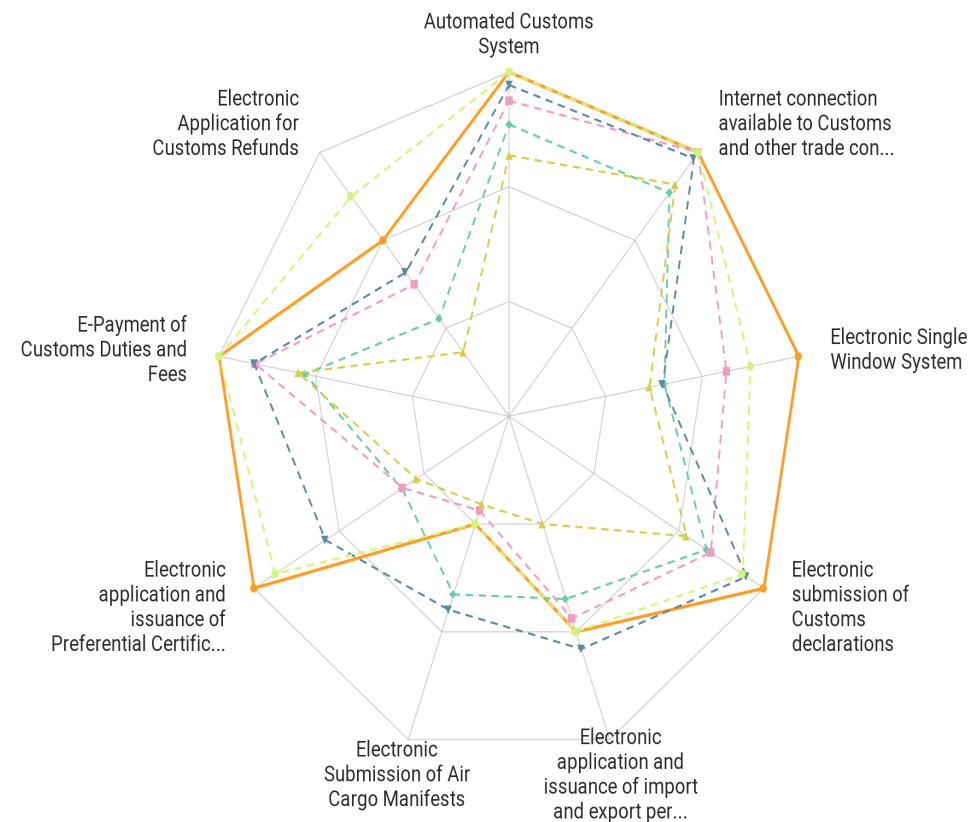
2021 -   86.02%

Paperless Trade (2021)

Source: UN Global Survey on Digital and Sustainable Trade Facilitation 2021

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Source: UN Global Survey on Digital and Sustainable Trade Facilitation 2021 | **UNTFSURVEY.ORG**

https://www.untfsurvey.org/economy?id=AZE

Ongoing Activities

✅ **Decree of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan No.165 dated 05/06/2020**

On approval of the "List of licenses and permits submitted to the State Customs Committee of the Republic of Azerbaijan upon issuance, suspension, restoration or cancellation"

✅ **The Cabinet of Ministers** has approved a coded list of selected goods, the import, export and transit of which, in the customs territory, is subject to prohibition and restrictions

⏳ Draft Decree on establishment of the **National Committee for Trade Facilitation...**

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State institutions

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Licenses

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permits
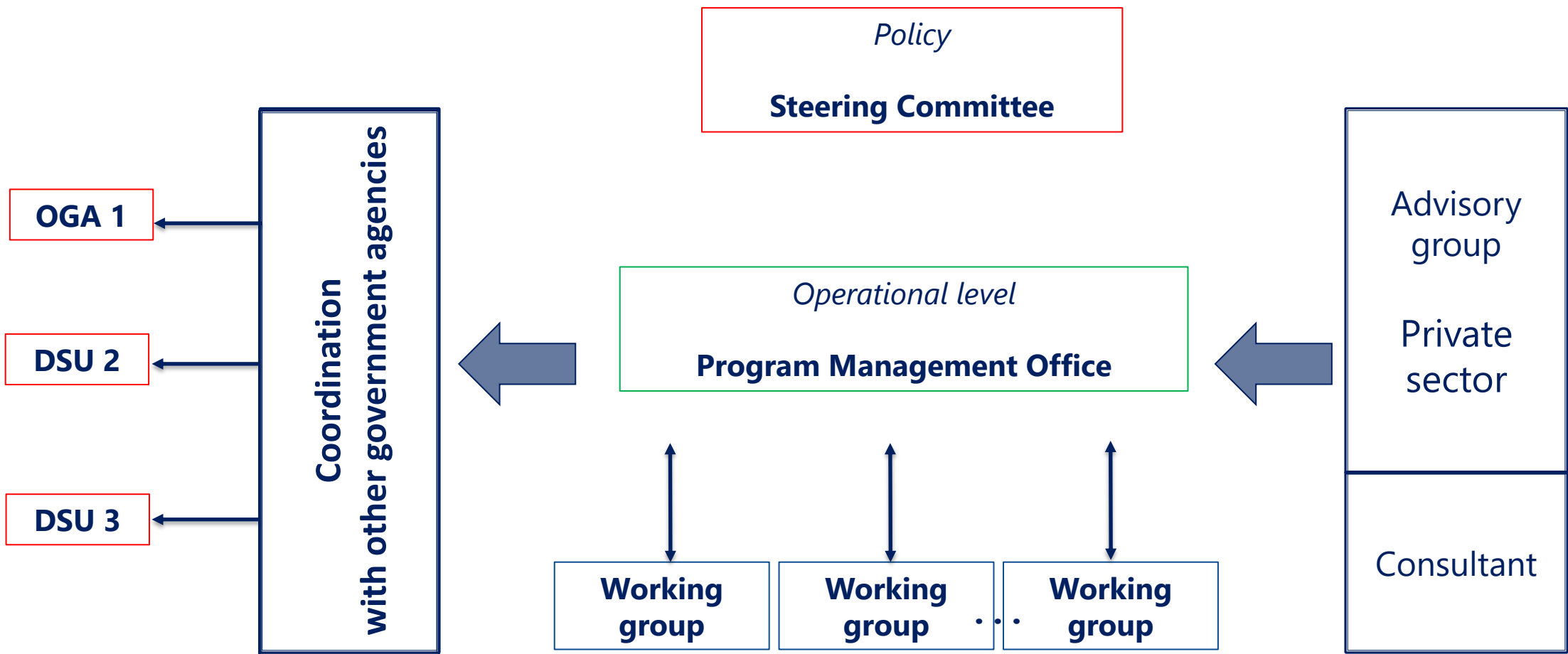
Assessment of the Current Situation (CAREC-ADB)

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Preliminary study on improving the Single Window of the Azerbaijan Customs Service and integration with other agencies
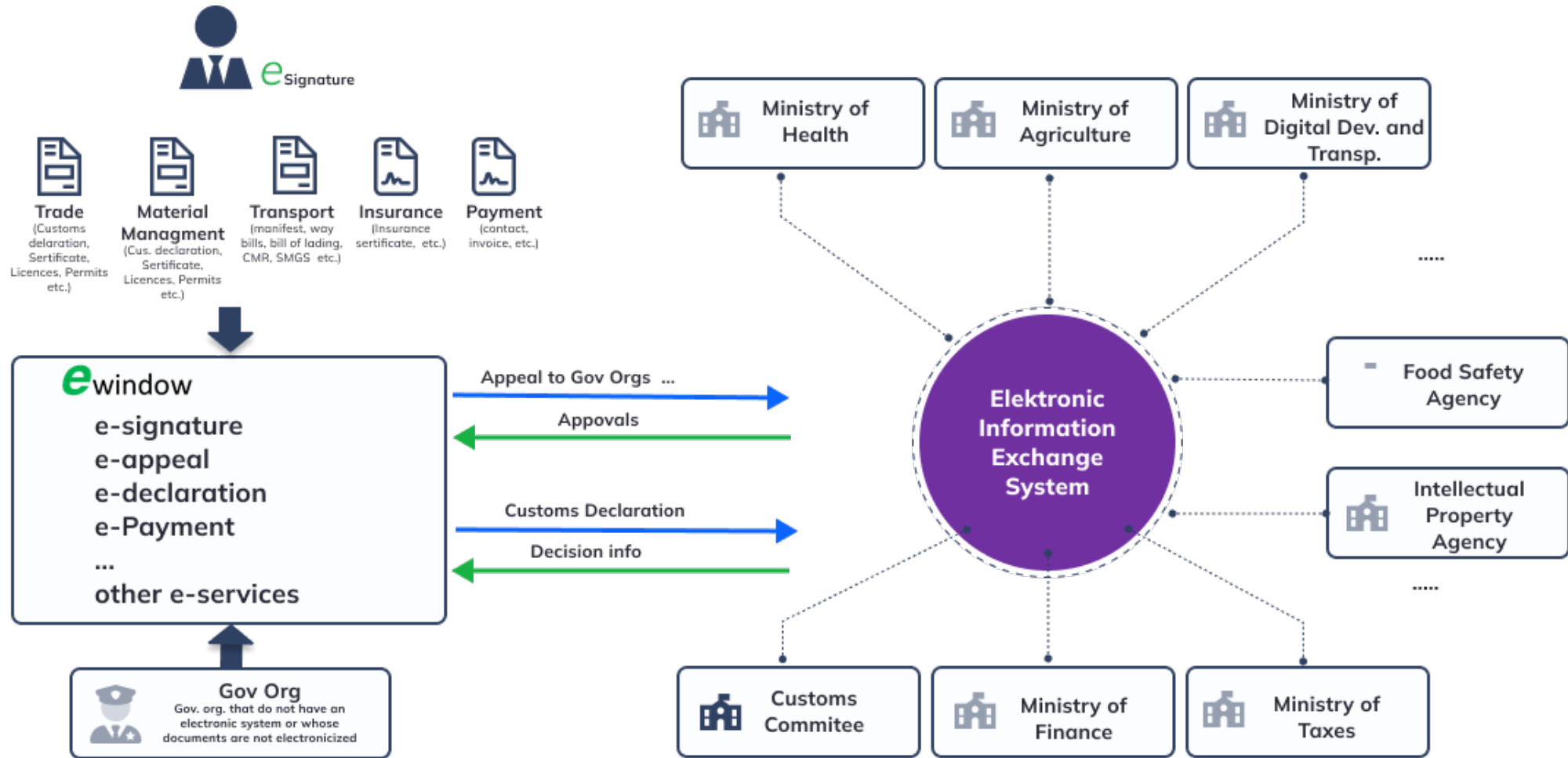
➢ Assessment of the regulatory framework for Single Window in Azerbaijan

➢ Assessment of the Institutional Structure

➢ Weaknesses in the current situation/areas or problems that can be improved or addressed

➢ Detailed roadmap for the implementation of the future Single Window

Recommendations (CAREC-ADB)

eWindow - conceptual scheme

Advantages

Non-stop trade process 24/7
Web-based portal open and running 24/7 allows traders to apply trade customs and formalities anytime and anywhere without physically having to visit each government entity, resulting in time and cost reduction.

ePayment for duties and fees
Traders can pay commissions or fee's for the application of regulatory permits and licenses including duties and taxes for the clearance of goods in a secure manner and online at anytime

Data interchange between OGAs
The portal and single window enables sharing of information between regulatory agencies, customs and other stakeholders; not just for regulatory permits, but also statistics and information for data analysis and decision making purposes.

One-stop service based on 100% Paperless
Traders will be able to apply regulatory permits, declare to customs, review progress status, search location of cargo and much more. The portal acts as a channel to allow the Customs interact with the private sector without the need to meet physically.

Simplicity and integration by Data Harmonization
A one-stop service can be provided through data harmonization; reducing the number of data fields required to apply for the regulatory requirements and customs declaration. Analysis performed on all required documents and through a process of simplification the data fields are optimized and integrated in a eDocument created by using international standards.

Reusing data to fill out a customs declaration form
Throughout various forms required to process a foreign trade there exists information that is required by all OGAs (common fields) and some fields that are required specifically by certain OGAs (unique fields). The Single window system distinguishes these two types of fields in order to make data reusable. Hence, information that you have already registered once will not be required again
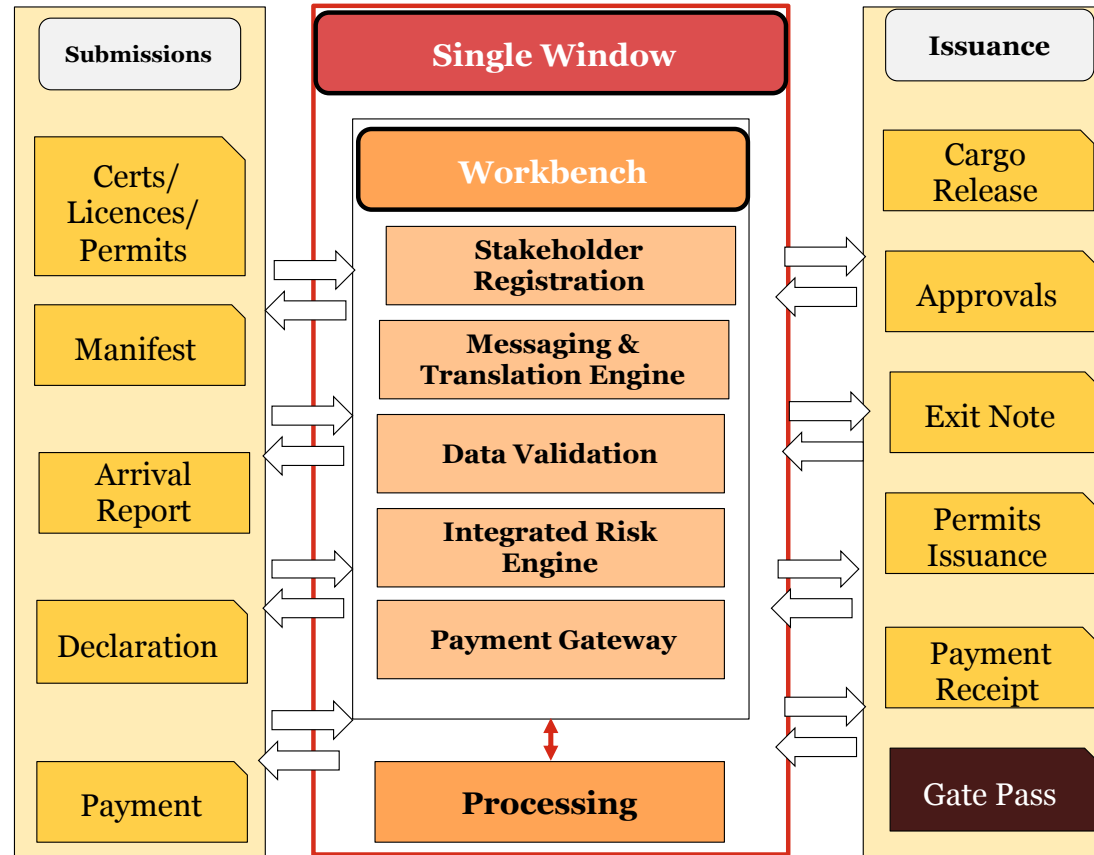
Scope for the fully integrated Single Window

Thank you!

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