

CAREC Advanced Transit System (CATS) / Information Common Exchange Platform (ICE)

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Objectives of CATS / ICE

The main objectives of introducing the CATS / ICE system are to:

1. Provide a regional Customs-to-Customs transit information exchange platform
2. Establish a regional Customs Guarantee Mechanism
3. Enable advanced Customs risk assessment of transit movements to enhance the security of the supply chain and facilitate compliant operators

Achieving the CATS / ICE Objectives

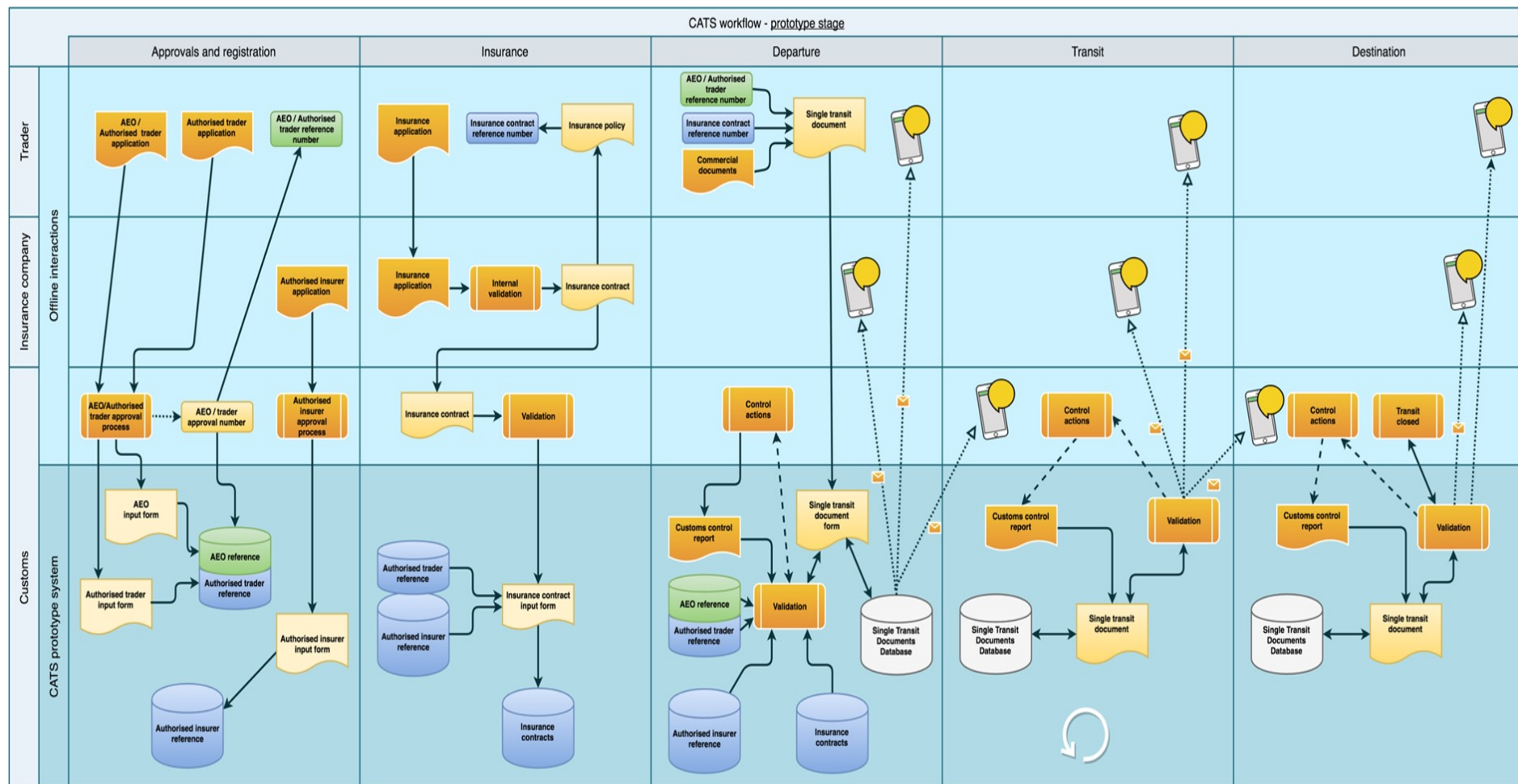
The CATS / ICE objectives will be achieved by:

- ☐ Creating a single harmonised electronic regional transit system
- ☐ Streamlining and harmonising existing transit documentation
- ☐ Providing a modern, risk-based affordable guarantee mechanism that rewards compliant Economic Operators
- ☐ Establishing advanced exchange of transit / control check data to inform Risk Management processes

Transit Comparison Table – Regional Transit Regimes and TIR

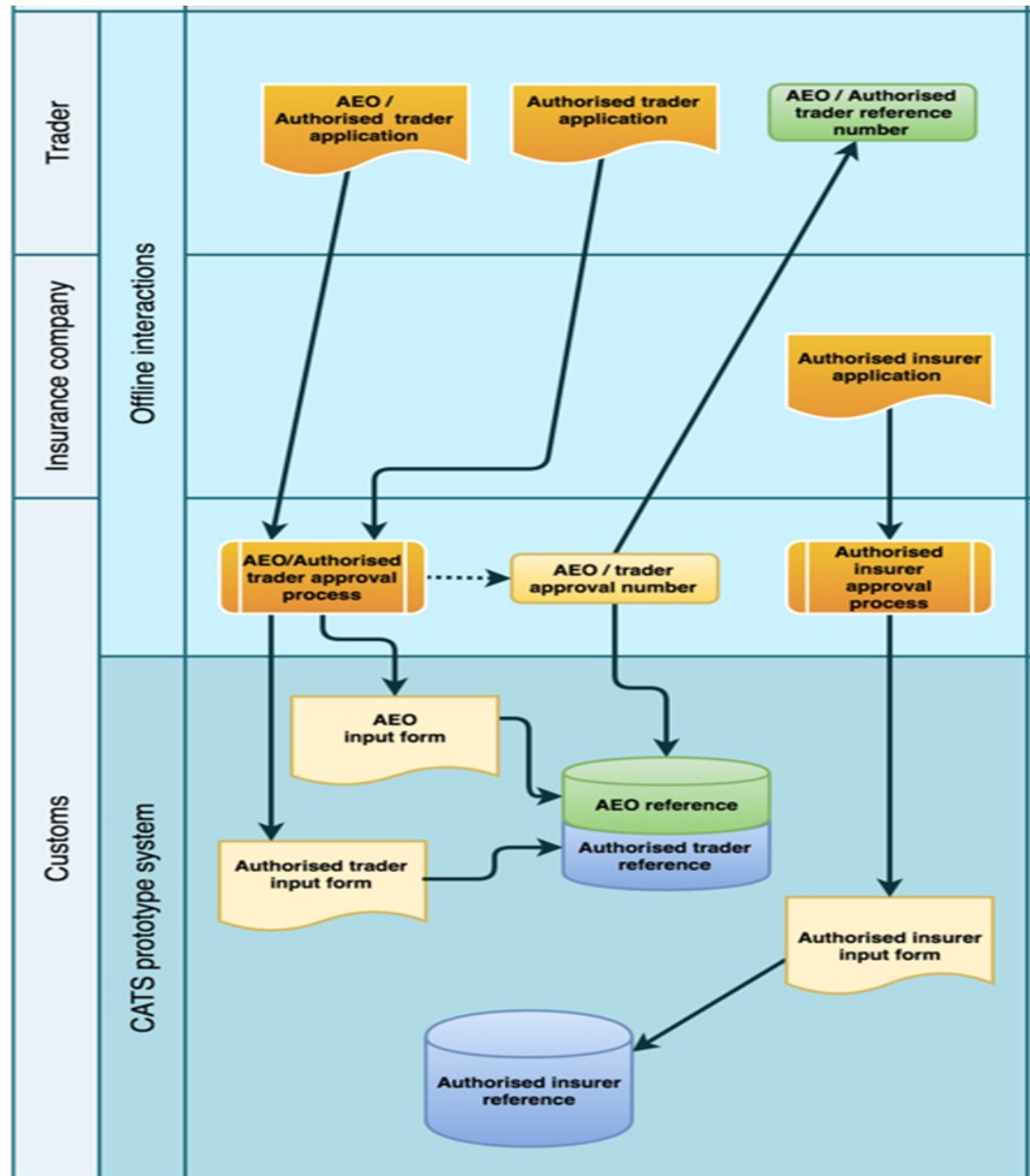
Transit Regime	Customs-to-Business and Customs-to-Customs Data exchange	Guarantee Mechanism			AEO Facilitation Measures
		Inter-country Guarantee mechanism	Comprehensive Guarantees	Risk based Gurantee Amounts	
CATS	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
NCTS	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
ACTS	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
TIR	x	✓	x	x	x

CATS / ICE System Architecture



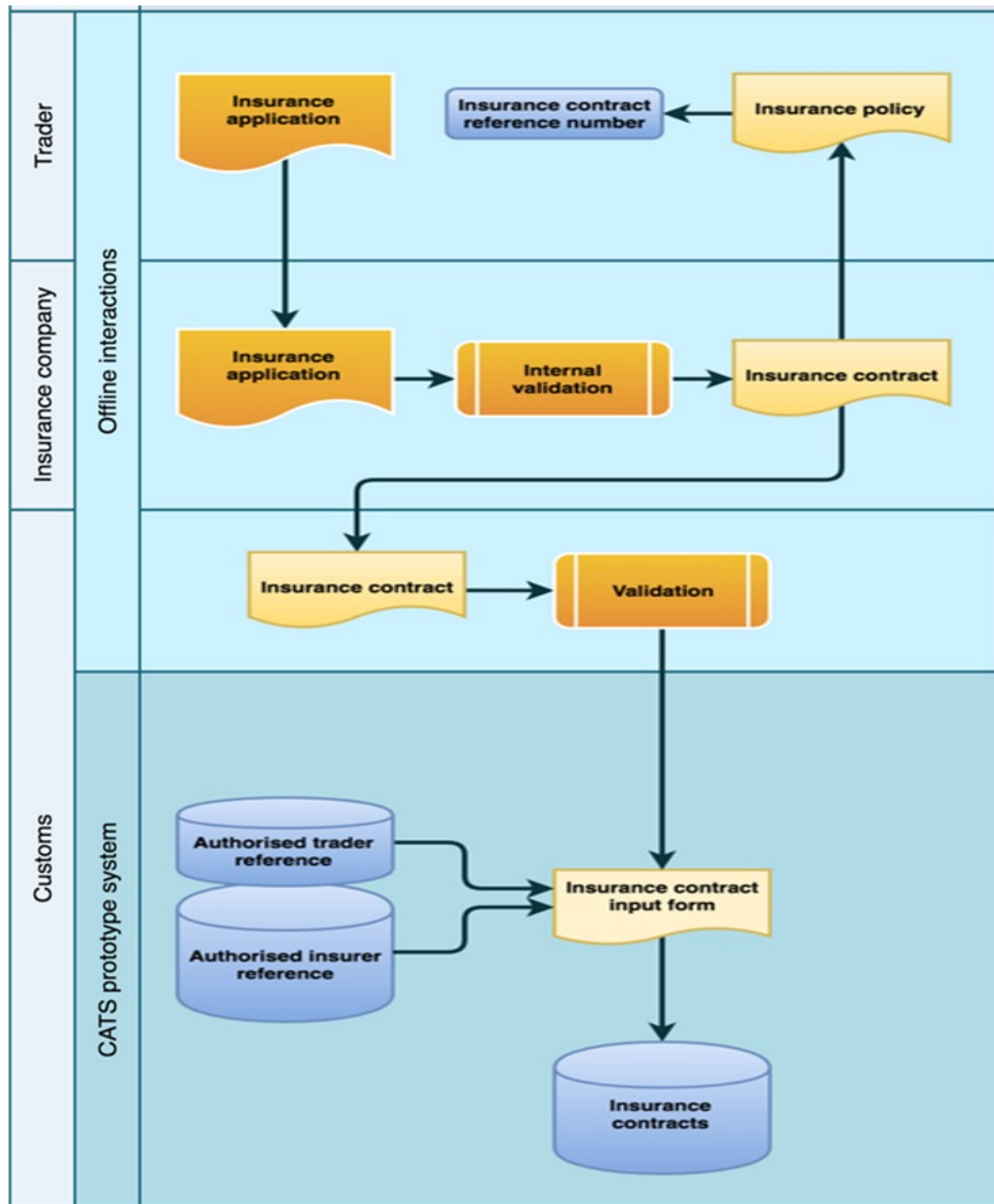
Approval and registration

- AEO registration
- Authorized trader registration
- Authorized insurer registration



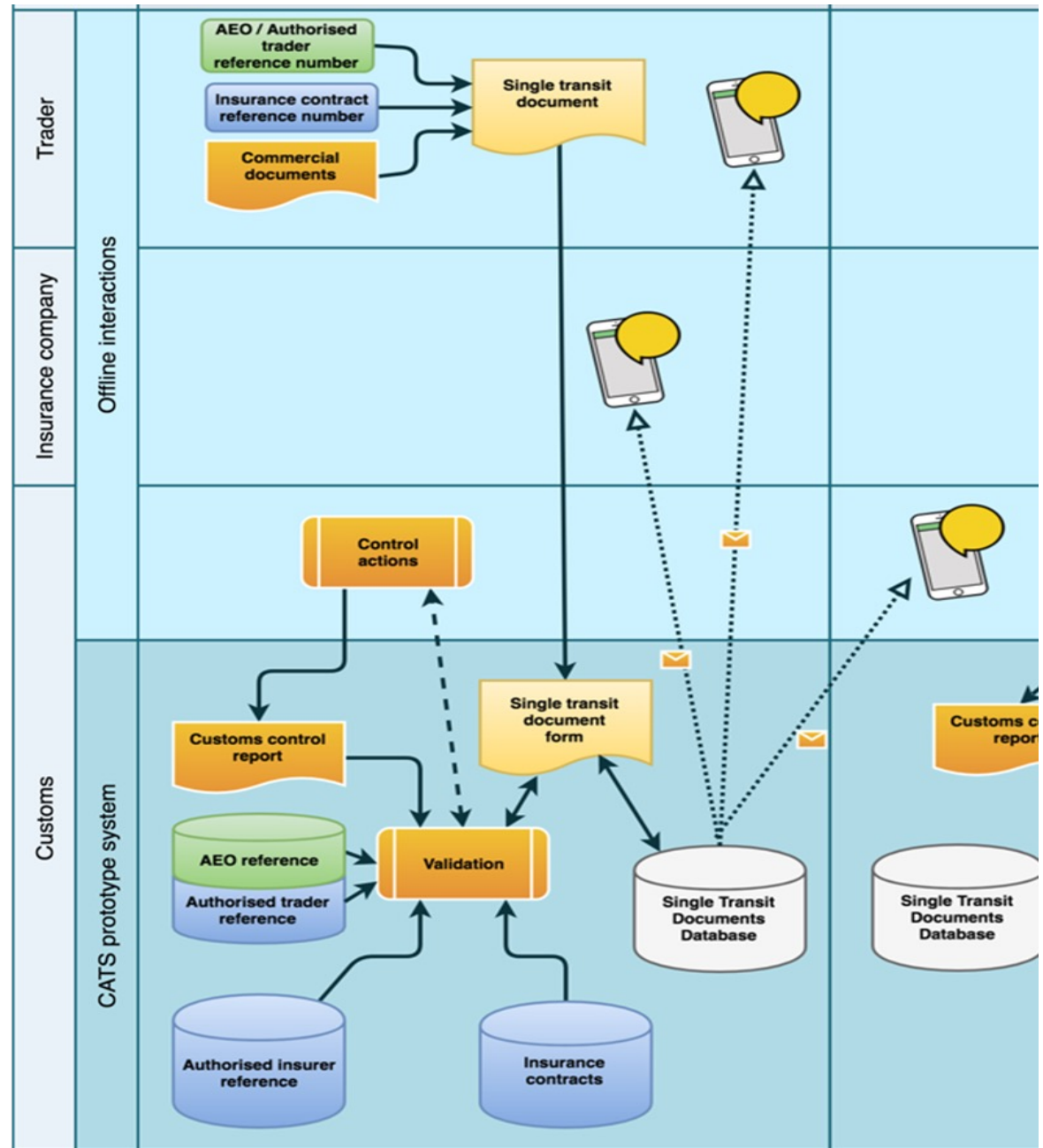
Insurance

- Insurance contract approval and registration



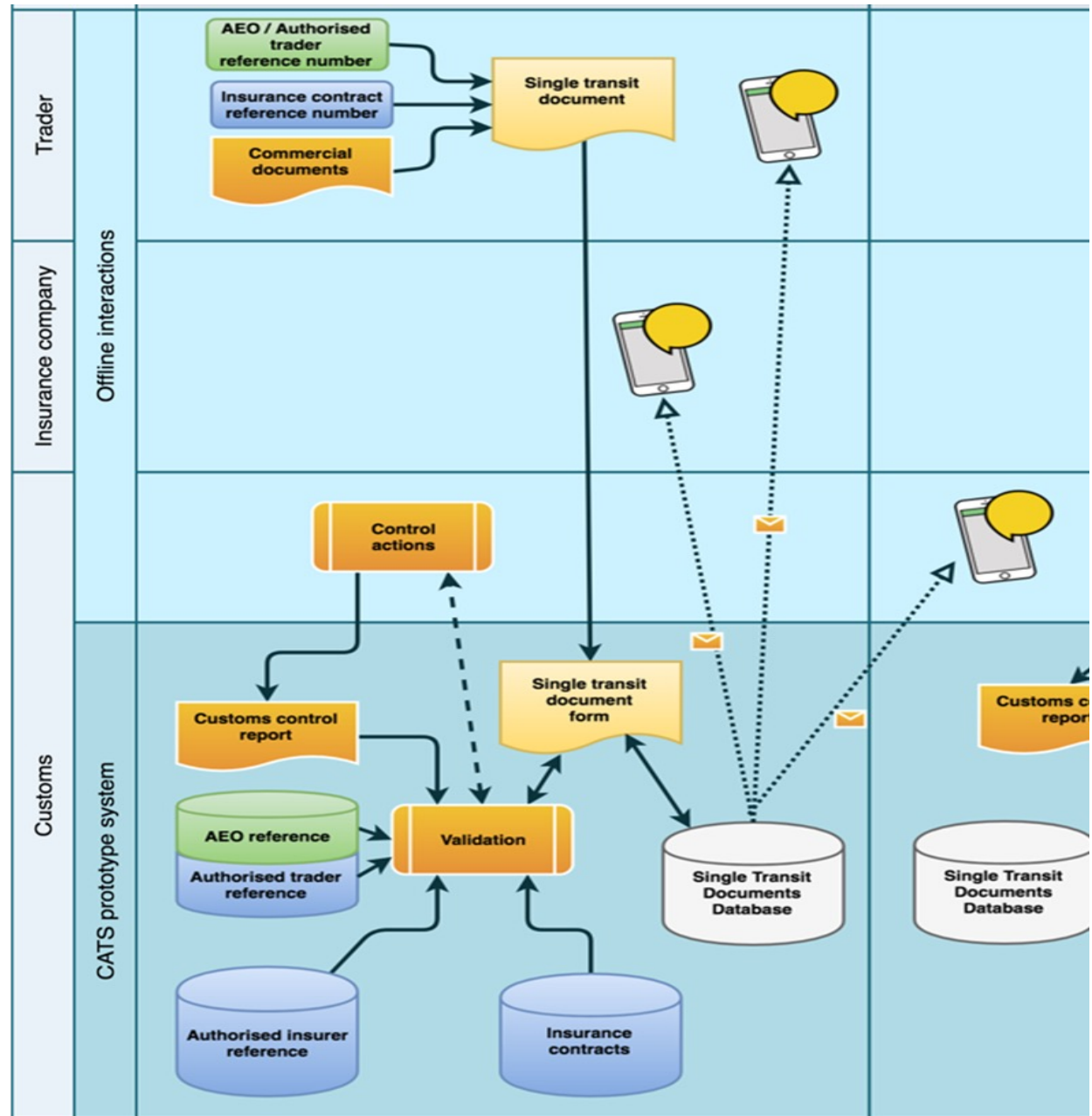
Transit office departure

- Single Transit Document submission
- Single Transit Document validation and approval
- Selection of transit declaration for inspection
- Customs control action
- Transit started



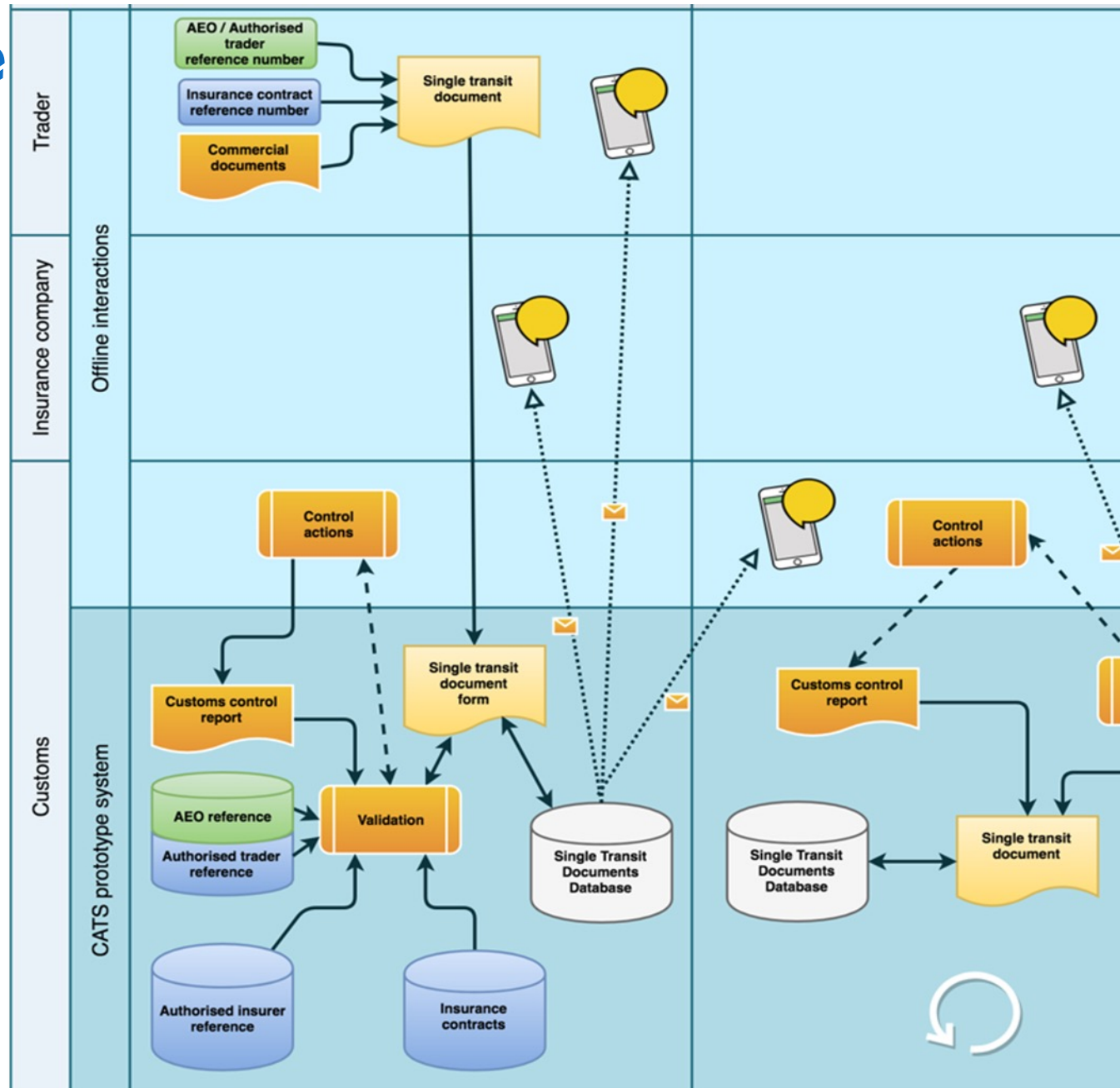
Transit office exit

- Transit
- Selection of transit declaration for inspection
- Customs control action
- Transit proceeded



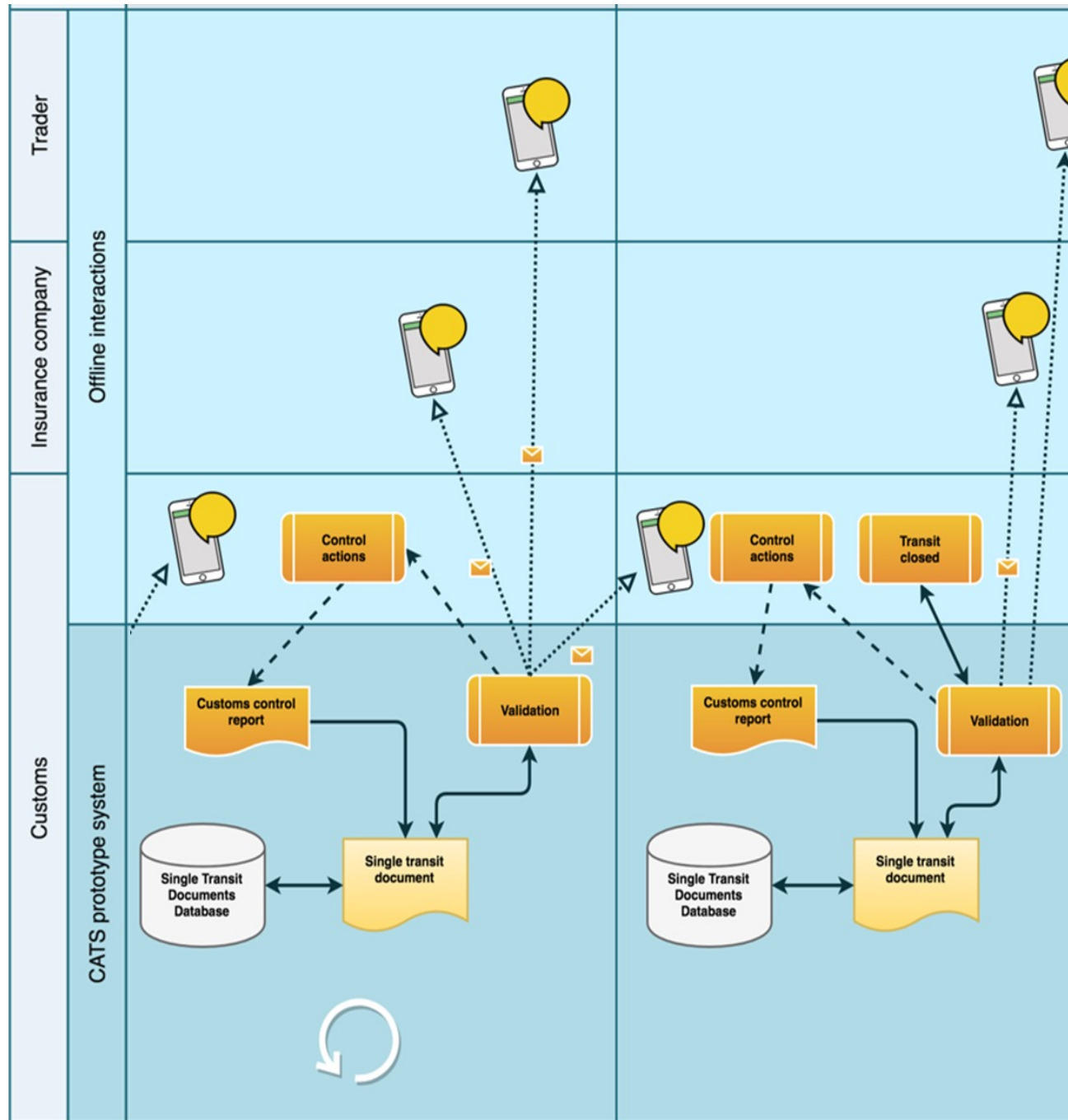
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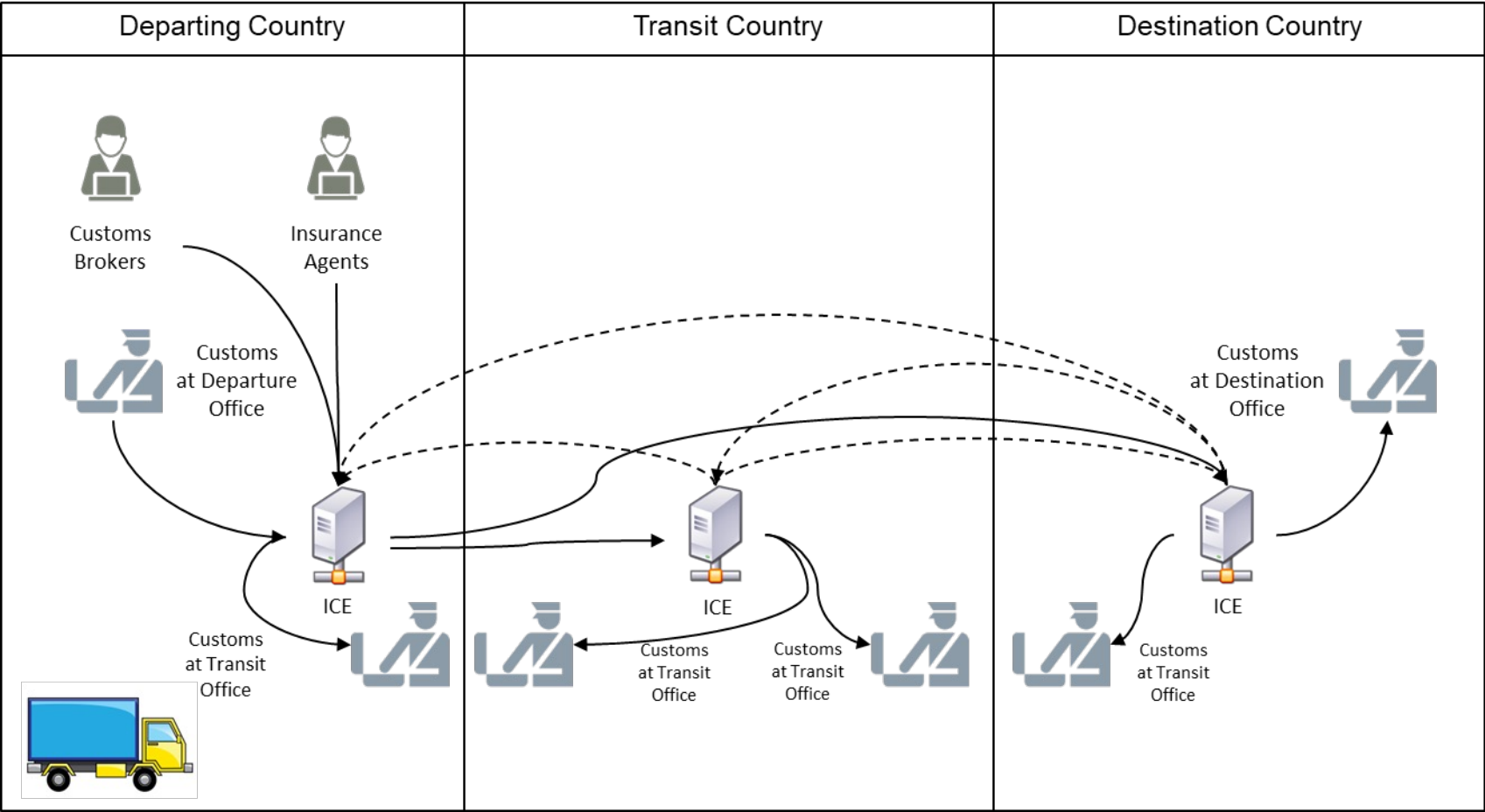


Office of destination

- Single Transit Document validation and approval
- Customs control action
- Transit completed



CATS Pilot Illustration



Challenges Faced in Practical Implementation of CATS / ICE

Primary challenges and constraints to be overcome have been identified as:

- ❑ The existing geo-political situation in the region
- ❑ The limited level of real-time data sharing activities presently being carried out by CAREC customs administrations

Challenges Faced in Practical Implementation of CATS / ICE (*cont.*)

- ❑ The high control focus and limited 'risk appetite' still being displayed by many CAREC customs administrations
- ❑ The fact that Kazakhstan and the Kyrgyz Republic are now members of the Eurasian Economic Union (EEU) and are, therefore, bound to apply the EEU rules for transit
- ❑ The low level of maturity of the financial and insurance sectors in the CAREC region

CATS / ICE Discussion

Q & A Session

Thank you!

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