



# **WTO Symposium on Practical Experience of Implementing TF Reforms**

**- Customs Cooperation -**

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# Customs Cooperation

1950

*Convention establishing the  
Customs Cooperation Council*



1953

*First headquarters of  
the WCO (1953 – 1964)*



Avenue Louise, 183

# WCO Tools for Mutual Assistance

1953

- Recommendation on Mutual Administrative Assistance

1954

- Recommendation on Pooling of Information Concerning Persons convicted of Customs Offences

1967

- Recommendation on Pooling of Information Concerning Customs Fraud
- Model Bilateral Agreement on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Customs Matters

1975

- Recommendation on Pooling of Information Concerning Customs Fraud (amended)

# Nairobi Convention

1977

Annex ( )

Body of the  
Convention

Annex I

Annex II

Annex III

Annex IV

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Annex XI

Each deals with specific category of assistance

# **Annexes Nairobi Convention**

- Annex I Assistance by Customs on its own initiative**
- Annex II Assistance on request in the assessment of duties & taxes**
- Annex III Assistance on request relating to controls**
- Annex IV Assistance on request relating to surveillance**
- Annex V Enquiry & notification on request for requesting Customs**
- Annex VI Appearance by Customs officials before a court**
- Annex VII Presence of Customs officials in the requested CP**
- Annex VIII Participation in investigations abroad**
- Annex IX Pooling information**
- Annex X Assistance in action against smuggling of narcotic drugs**
- Annex XI Assistance in action against smuggling of cultural properties**

# New Committee and WG

1983

*First meeting of the*  
**ENFORCEMENT**  
**COMMITTEE**  
*(EC)*  
*(December)*

*Première réunion du*  
**COMITÉ DE**  
**LUTTE CONTRE**  
**LA FRAUDE**  
*(CLF)*  
*(Décembre)*

2005

*First meeting of the*  
**WORKING GROUP**  
**ON COMMERCIAL**  
**FRAUD**  
*(December)*

*Première réunion du*  
**GROUP DE**  
**TRAVAIL SUR LA**  
**FRAUDE**  
**COMMERCIALE**  
*(Décembre)*

# RILO & CEN

# 1993

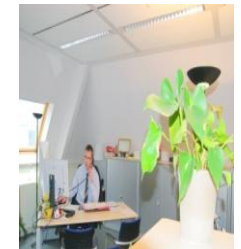
*Launch of the*  
*RILO Project*  
*(Regional Intelligence Liaison*  
*Offices)*

# 2000



*The CEN  
(Customs Enforcement  
Network)  
is operational*

## RILO NETWORK (11 OFFICES)





# Globally Networked Customs (GNC)

**The GNC approach developed by the Feasibility Study :**

- To facilitate electronic information exchange;
- In a systematic & incremental approach;
- On agreed areas;
- Among agreed parties; and
- With “Utility Blocks” supported by WCO standards & tools





# Globally Networked Customs (GNC)

## The way ahead

- **Feasibility Report & its Annexes-endorsed**
- **“Proof-of-concept” Phase**
  - ✓ Pilot projects by willing Members for 2-3 years
  - ✓ Two Utility Blocks: AEO & Commercial Fraud
  - ✓ Evaluation & feedback
  - ✓ More willing Members & Utility Blocks for pilot projects
- **Administrative structure:**
  - ✓ An Informal arrangement similar to the Data Model Project Team
  - ✓ Reporting to the Permanent Technical Committee (PTC)

# Thank you for your kind attention

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