

# 6th WCO Global AEO CONFERENCE

## Strengthening Customs Administration and International Trade through Fostering an AEO Culture

### Guatemalan Customs Administration Experience

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## PILLAR 3 – CUSTOMS-TO-OTHER GOVERNMENT AN INTER-GOVERNMENT AGENCIES



*"The main objective of this cooperation is to ensure that the government response to the challenges of supply chain security is both efficient and effective, by avoiding duplication of requirements and inspections, streamlining processes, and ultimately working toward global standards that secure the movements of goods in a manner that facilitates trade."*

*WCO Safe Framework of Standards, Pillar 3 – Customs-to-Other Government an Inter-Government Agencies*

# INTERINSTITUTIONAL AGREEMENT AEO



**BEFORE**

**5 days 22 hours**

**DURING PILOT PLAN**

**PORT SANTO TOMAS DE CASTILLA**

**14 hours**

**90% reduction in the average inspection time for AEO containers.**



**Implementation launch carried out on April 24, 2024 at Port Santo Tomás de Castilla. It will be implemented in all Maritime Ports of Guatemala during 2024.**

## PILLAR 2 – CUSTOMS-TO-BUSINESS



*"To the extent that Customs can rely on its partners in the trade community to evaluate and address threats to their own supply chain, the risk of fronting Customs is reduced. Therefore, companies that demonstrate a verifiable willingness to enhance supply chain security will benefit. Minimizing risk in this way helps Customs in performing their security functions, and in facilitating legitimate trade."*

*WCO Safe Framework of Standards, Pillar 2 – Customs-to-Business*

# WITHOUT INTEGRITY AND TRANSPARENCY THERE CANNOT EXIST SECURITY.



## **THE REVISED ARUSHA DECLARATION**

### **DECLARATION OF THE CUSTOMS CO-OPERATION COUNCIL CONCERNING GOOD GOVERNANCE AND INTEGRITY IN CUSTOMS**

#### **THE CUSTOMS CO-OPERATION COUNCIL',**

**NOTING** that Customs administrations throughout the world perform a number of vitally important tasks on behalf of their Governments and contribute to national goals such as revenue collection, community protection, trade facilitation and protection of national security;

**ACKNOWLEDGING** that integrity is a critical issue for all nations and for all Customs administrations and that the presence of corruption can severely limit Customs capacity to effectively accomplish its mission. The adverse effects of corruption can include :

- a reduction in national security and community protection;
- revenue leakage and fraud;
- a reduction in foreign investment;
- increased costs which are ultimately borne by the community;
- the maintenance of barriers to international trade and economic growth;
- a reduction in public trust and confidence in government institutions;
- a reduction in the level of trust and co-operation between Customs administrations and other government agencies;
- a reduction in the level of voluntary compliance with Customs laws and regulations; and
- low staff morale and productivity.



# Leadership Guatemalan Customs Administration and Sector Private Guatemala

Dialogue and cooperation table Public-Private on customs issues.

Code of Conduct (Ethics) must have their AEO Guatemala

Code of Conduct (Ethics) must have their members.




# PILLAR 1 – CUSTOMS-TO-CUSTOMS



*"Customs administrations should work co-operatively with their international counterparts to develop mechanisms, plans and processes aimed towards maximizing the continuity and resumption of trade in the event of a disruption within the international supply chain, including the development of a plan of action and establishment of an effective communication mechanism."*

*WCO Safe Framework of Standards, Pillar 1 – Customs-to-Customs*





**AUTOMATED  
INFORMATION  
EXCHANGE  
AEO ARM  
GUATEMALA – UNITED  
STATES OF AMÉRICA**

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# CURRENT SITUATION

1. Non-automated information exchange, in excel sheets



2. Lack of direct interoperability to the Risk Management modules.

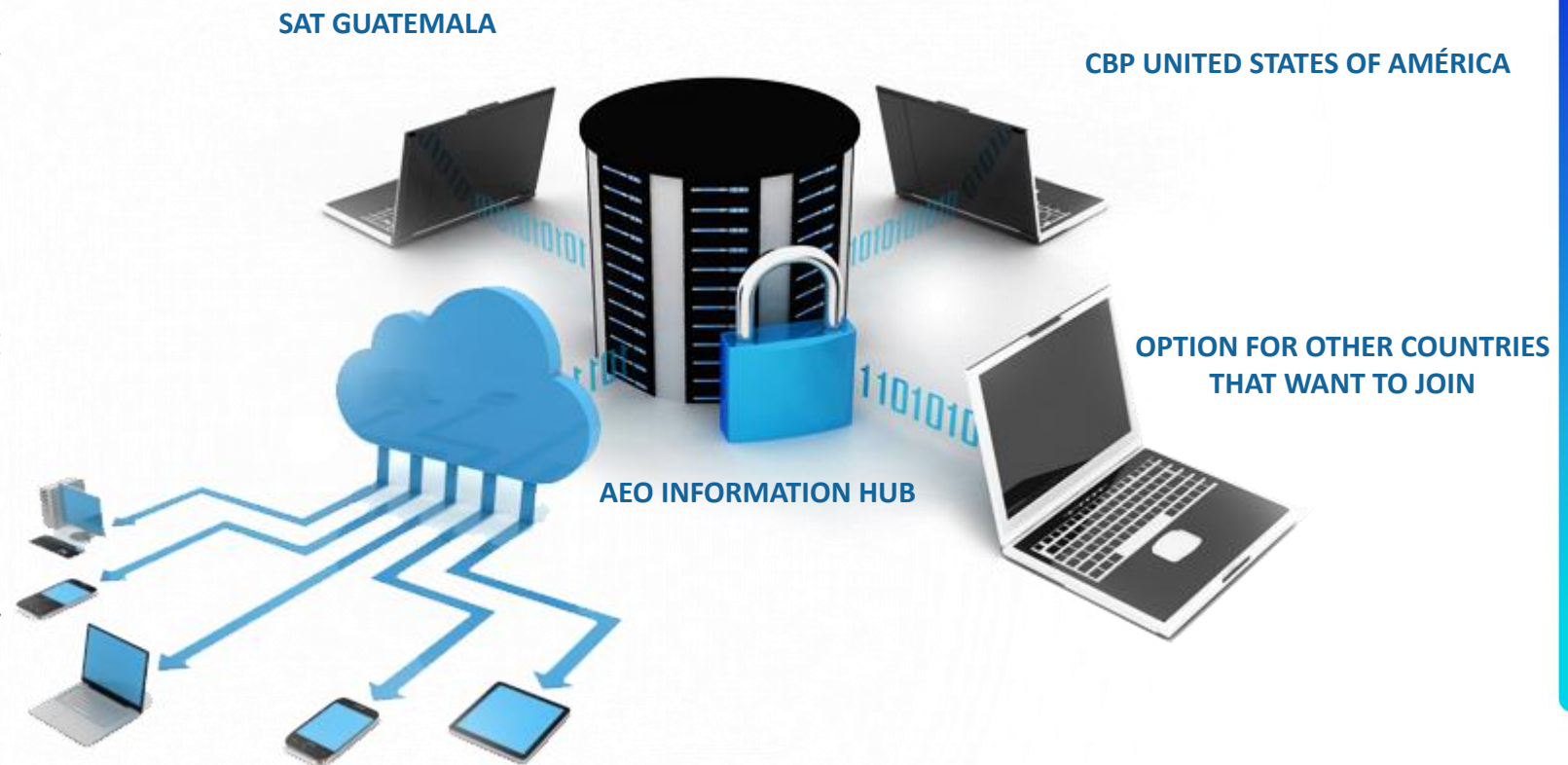


3. To identify the AEO of the other country that is part of the ARM, it is necessary for the importer to indicate the AEO code (TIN) assigned to its supplier by the exporting country in the Customs Declaration. In practice, this means that in many cases the importer does not declare the data and ARM benefits cannot be applied.

## ADVANTAGES

1. Automated data exchange between Customs Administrations.
2. Robust information security scheme (Cybersecurity).
3. Creation of the first AEO Information Hub, which collects information about participants' AEO programs.
4. At no cost to the participating Customs Services for its use, only development of the internal API (Application Programming Interface) to connect to the HUB.

# TOOL IN IMPLEMENTATION PROCESS



## ADVANTAGES

1. Each participating customs service will internally develop interaction with the automated information of the AEO Information Hub, with its Risk Management model.
2. This model will allow the automation of benefits for the authorized AEOs that participate in the MRAs signed by SAT Guatemala.

# RISK MANAGEMENT







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