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ABOUT SACU



1910 CUSTOMS UNION

- Common Customs territory with Common External Tariff
- Common Negotiating Mechanism
- Common Revenue Pool



MEMBERSHIP

- Botswana
- Eswatini
- · Lesotho
- Namibia
- · South Africa



INSTITUTIONS

- Summit of Heads of State & Government
- Council of Ministers of Trade & Industry and Finance
- Commission
- Technical Committees



STRATEGIC FOCUS

- Industrialisation, Export and Investment Promotion
- Trade Facilitation and Logistics
- Implementation and Leveraging on AfCFTA opportunities
- Trade Relations/ Unified
 Engagement with Third Parties
- Finance and Resource Mobilisation

SACU

Trade Facilitation & Logistics Programme

Border Coordination

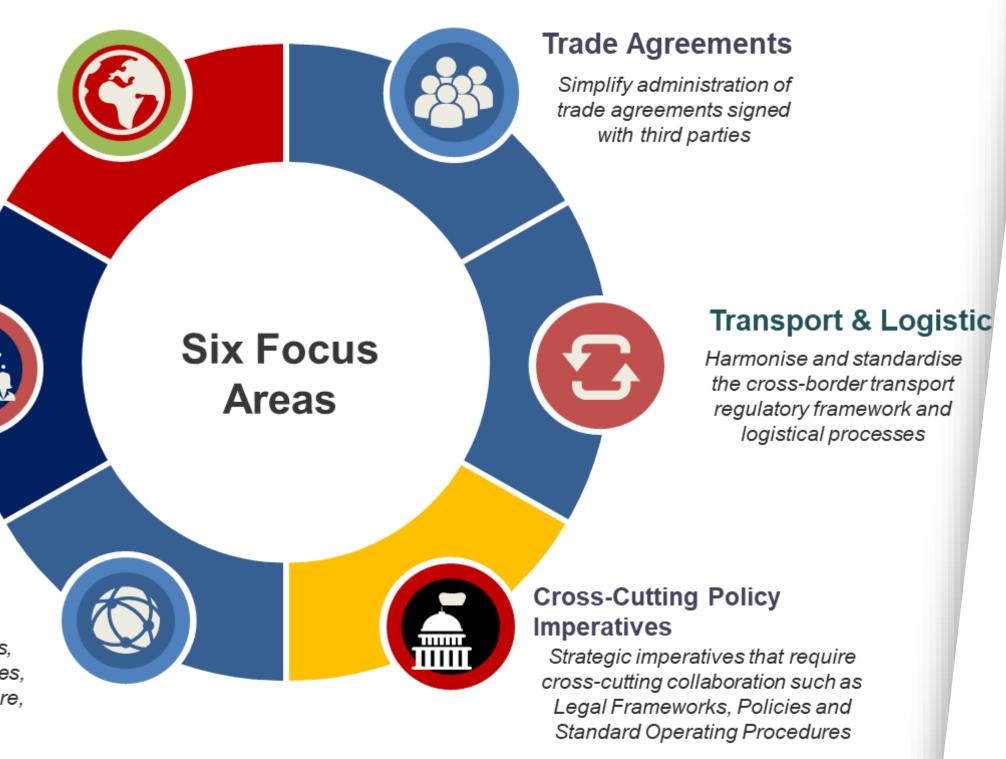
Strengthen collaboration and cooperation between border agencies, between border agencies and the private sector, and collaboration between all border agencies and their counterparts in the SACU Member States

Customs Cooperation

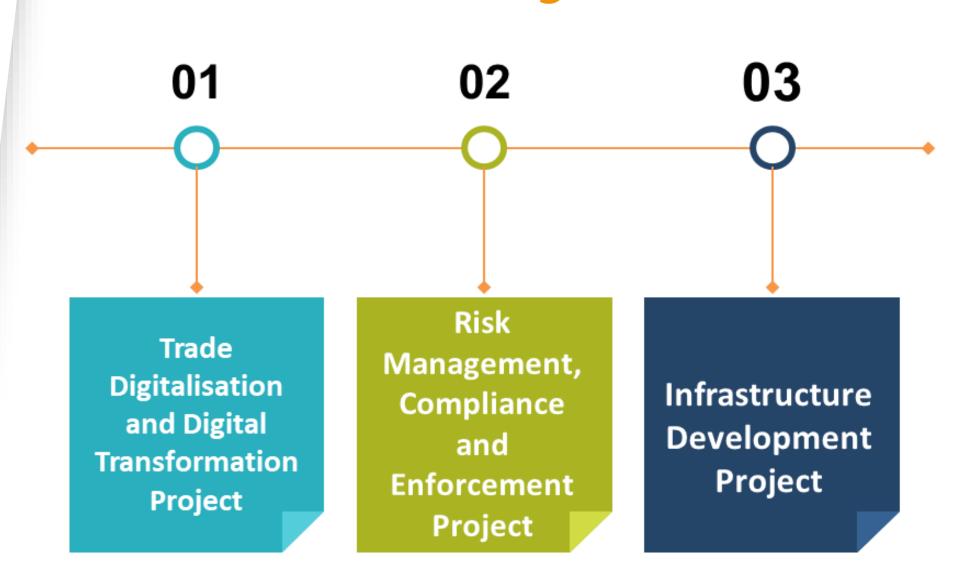
Customs to Customs
corporation to simplify and
harmonize trade procedures
with a view to facilitate
legitimate trade across borders
and to promote cooperation
between the customs
administrations

Standards, SPS, NTB, TBT

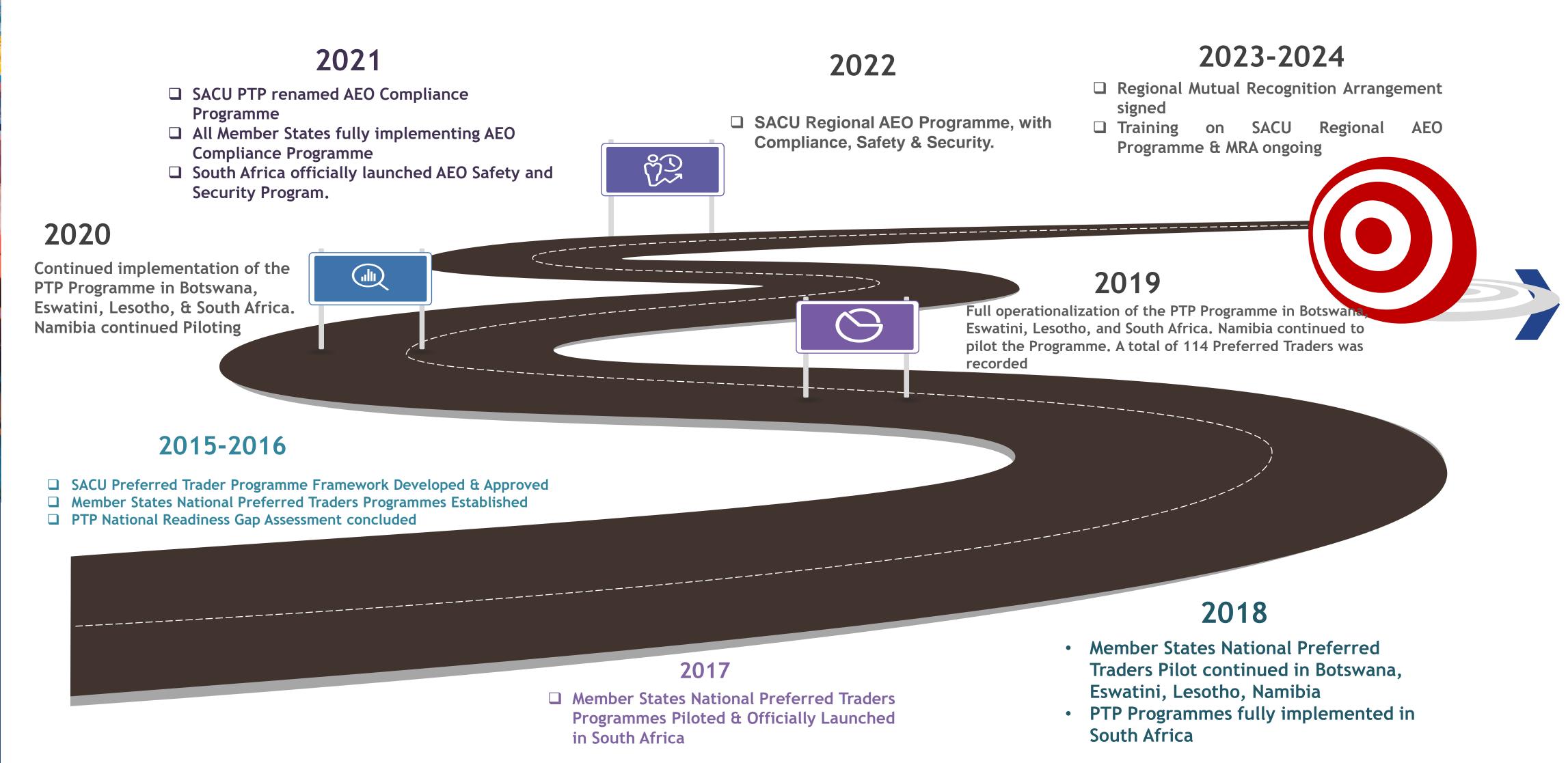
Addresses behind the border administrative measures, formalities, documentary requirements, procedures, fees, and charges related to Agriculture, Standards, and Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS), NTB, TBT



Projects



SACU AEO Journey (key highlights)



SACU Regional AEO Programme Approach

A THREE-TIERED MODEL

			Tier 3: Regional AEO Status
	Tier 1: SMME entry level	Tier 2: Regional Compliance status	
Description	Regional entry level to the programme; compliance and safety/security requirements. But simplified process to become an approved SMME, e.g., via a selfassessment	Transition of existing AEOs Compliance - Regionally recognised Compliance status.	Regional AEO status and eligible for MRA (access to MRA), additional benefits etc.
Users	SMMEs with high frequency, but low value trade over the border	Existing AEO Compliance members in transition towards full AEO status.	Traders who import from/export to the SACU region regularly with full AEO status.
Requirements			
	Increasing compliance and security requirements & level of trust		
User benefits			
		Increasing benefits for traders	





Opportunities

Regional Level

Mutual Recognition Benefits Intra-SACU

02 Mutual Recognition Benefit – Extra-SACU

Harmonisation and Standardisation within the Common Customs Union

Increase Compliance & Security – increased revenue collection = contribution to the SACU Revenue Pool

Trade Facilitation = seamless cross border trade = competitiveness

Support Industrialisation & Trade Agenda in SACU



Challenges

Regional Level



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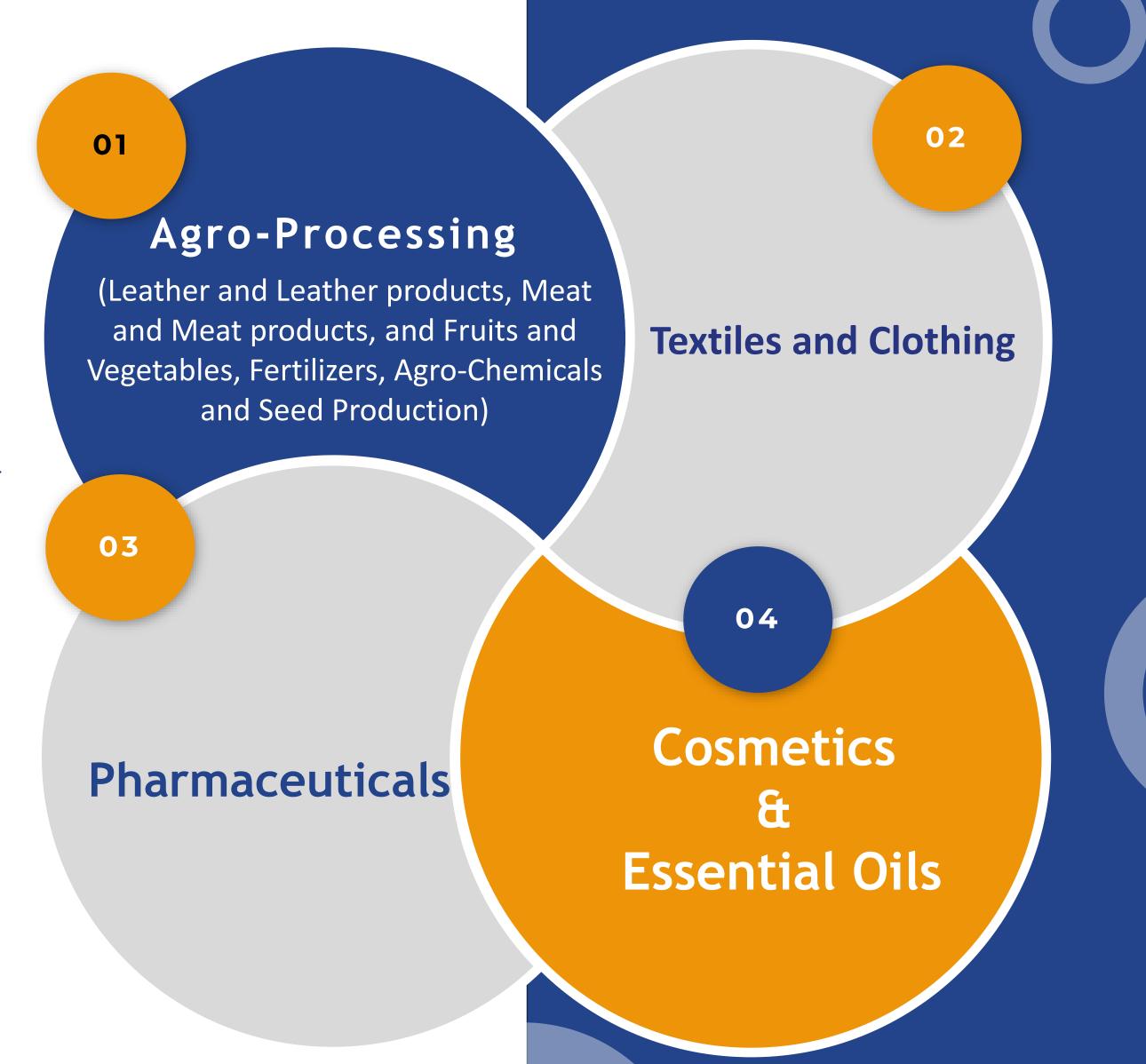
Future Outlook Regional Level

AEO to support:

Revenue Collection efforts = SACU Revenue Pool

Industrialisation = Prioritised Sectors

Trade Agenda in SACU = concluded trade agreements





Concluded Agreements With 3rd Parties

- African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA)
- FTA SACU and the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) -Norway, Iceland, Switzerland and Liechtenstein;
- Economic Partnership Agreement SADC-EPA Group and the European Union - (EU-SADC EPA);
- SACU and MERCOSUR PTA;
- Economic Partnership SACU, Mozambique and the UK;
- SACU USA Trade and Development Cooperation Investment,
 2008
- SACU India ongoing
- SACU is beneficiary of AGOA

Revenue Shares %



