



UNITED NATIONS  
**ESCAP**

Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

## **3<sup>rd</sup> Edition of International Single Window Conference**

# **Single Window and Paperless Trade across Borders for Regional Connectivity**

**16-18 September 2013**

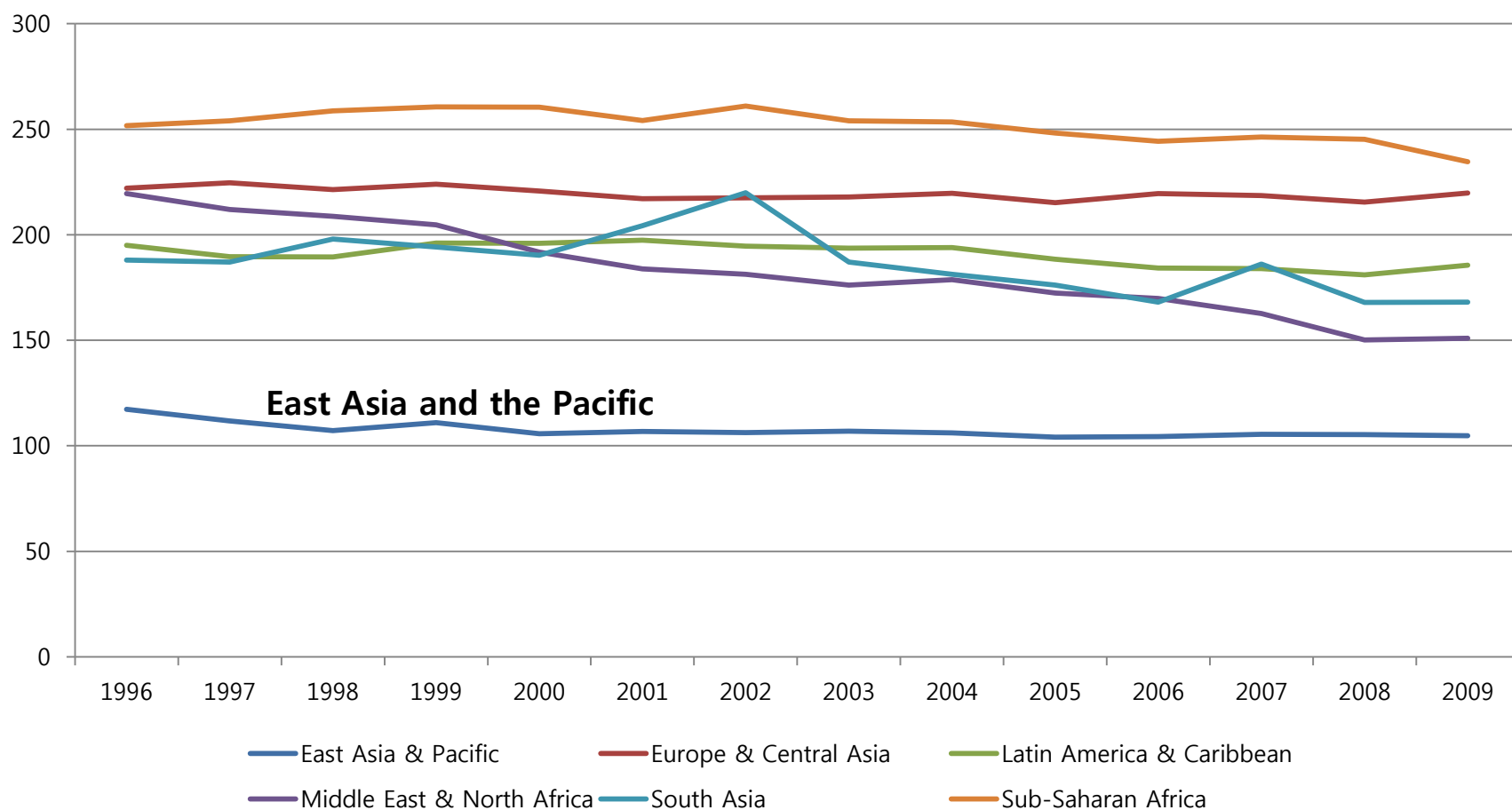
**Antananarivo, Madagascar**

**Sangwon Lim**

**Trade and Investment Division**

**United Nations ESCAP**

# International trade costs in developing regions\*



\* ESCAP-World Bank International Trade Cost Database

2 <http://data.worldbank.org/data-catalog/trade-costs-dataset>

# Intra- and Inter-regional trade costs of Asia and the Pacific subregions

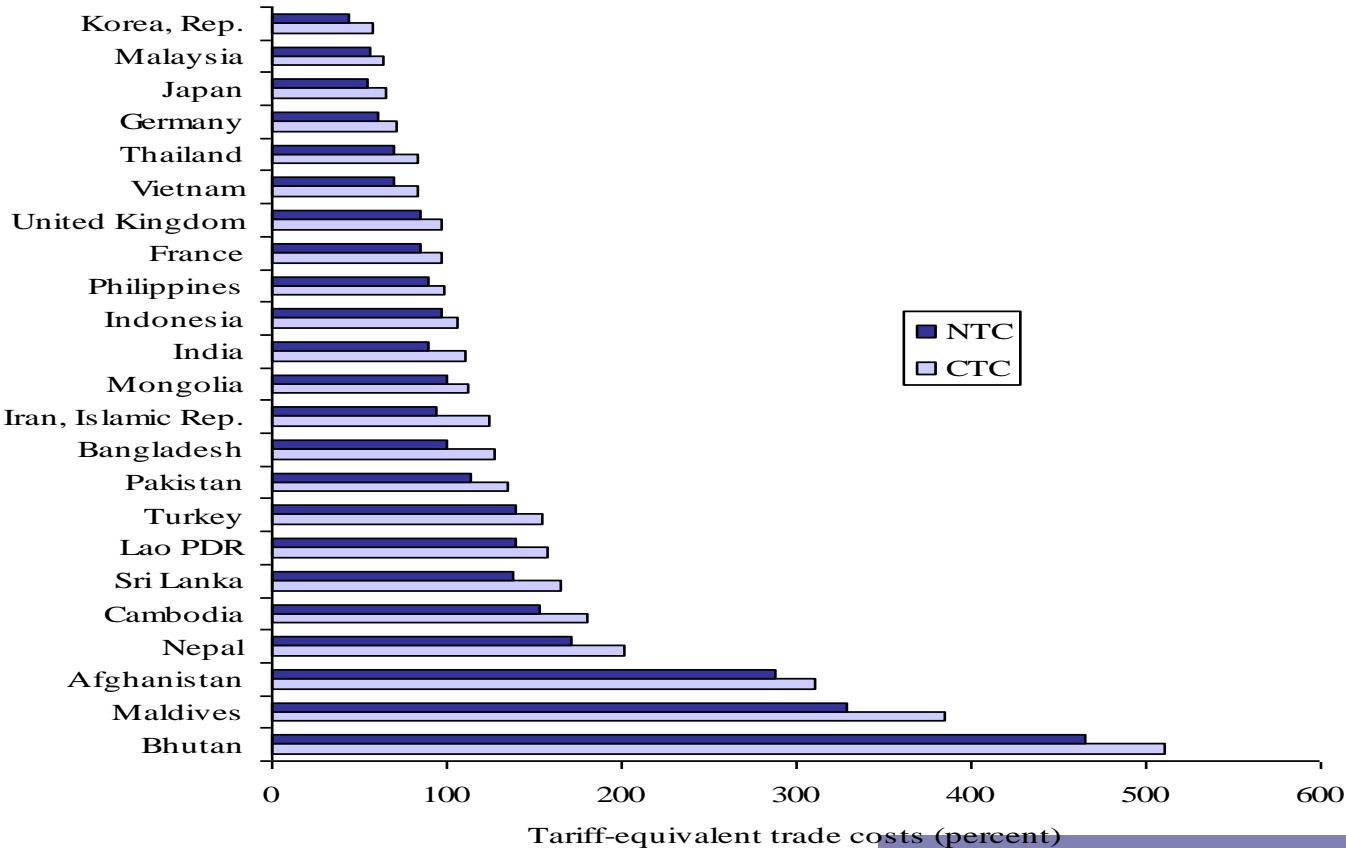
Region	ASEAN-4	East Asia-3	North and Central Asia	SAARC-4	AUS-NZL	EU-3	USA
ASEAN-4	<b>75.40%</b> (3.08%)	77.58% (7.71%)	381.31% (7.94%)	125.79% (0.74%)	86.09% (-11.54%)	110.22% (6.58%)	84.35% (12.36%)
East Asia-3	77.58% (7.71%)	<b>51.83%</b> (-8.46%)	220.76% (-12.09%)	124.88% (1.85%)	80.14% (-14.21%)	85.75% (-5.59%)	63.03% (-1.36%)
North and Central Asia	381.31% (7.94%)	220.76% (-12.09%)	<b>141.27%</b> (0.47%)	261.12% (-13.15%)	295.77% (-14.39%)	165.83% (-4.86%)	191.13% (3.46%)
South Asia (SAARC-4)	125.79% (0.74%)	124.88% (1.85%)	261.12% (-13.15%)	<b>104.96%</b> (-0.65%)	127.04% (-8.08%)	115.22% (5.96%)	107.84% (8.26%)
AUS-NZL	86.09% (-11.54%)	80.14% (-14.21%)	295.77% (-14.39%)	127.04% (-8.08%)		102.07% (-5.90%)	89.70% (-4.67%)
European Union (EU-3)	110.22% (6.58%)	85.75% (-5.59%)	165.83% (-4.86%)	115.22% (5.96%)	102.07% (-5.90%)	<b>45.93%</b> (-0.38%)	67.19% (1.07%)
USA	84.35% (12.36%)	63.03% (-1.36%)	191.13% (3.46%)	107.84% (8.26%)	89.70% (-4.67%)	67.19% (1.07%)	

\* ESCAP-World Bank International Trade Cost Database

# Bilateral Trade Costs: Selected Economies with China (2006-2011)

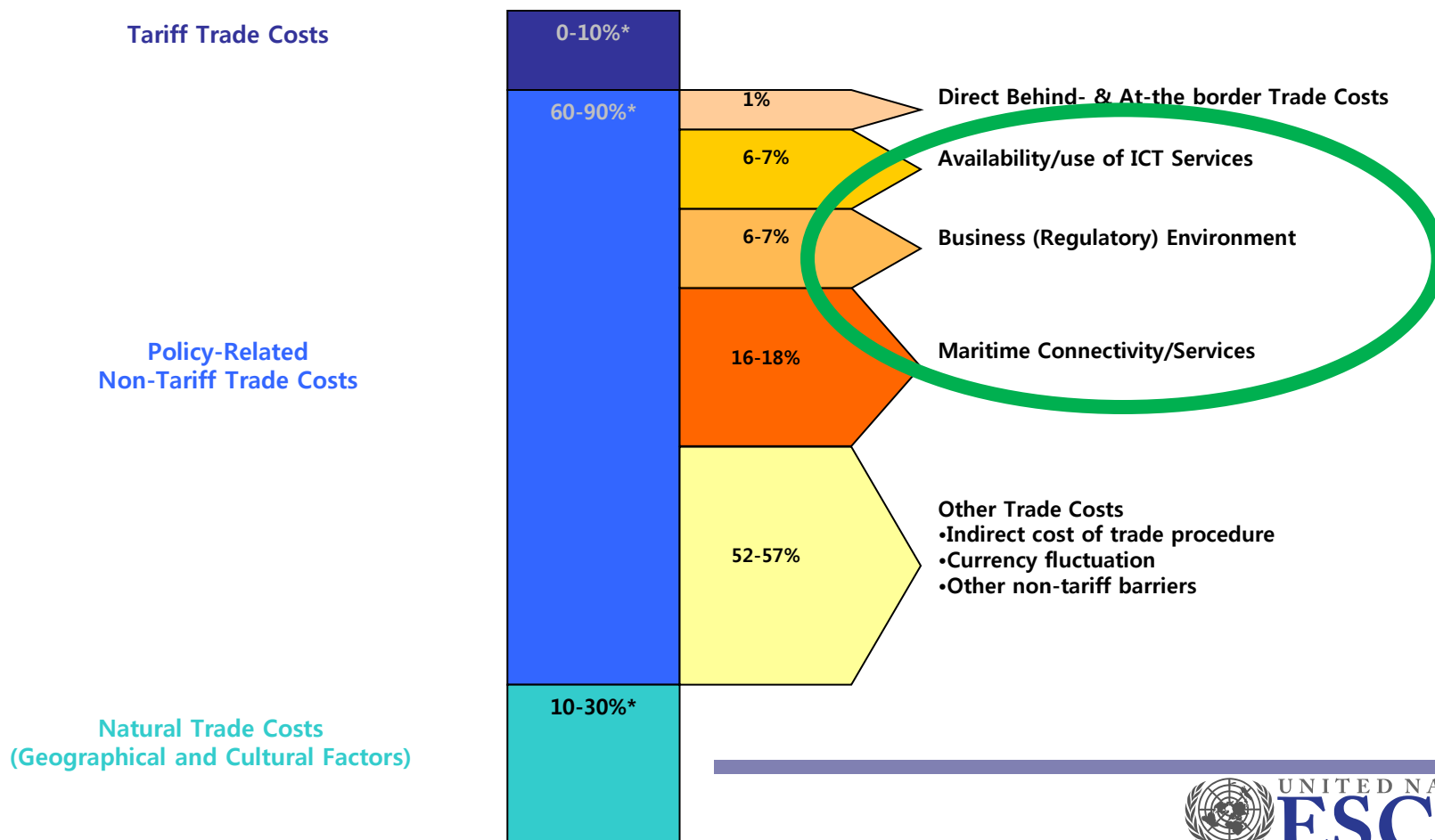
Comprehensive Trade Costs (CTC) and CTC excluding tariff (NT-CTC)

between selected economies and **China** (2006-2011)



# Key factors in trade costs – Asia-Pacific Perspective

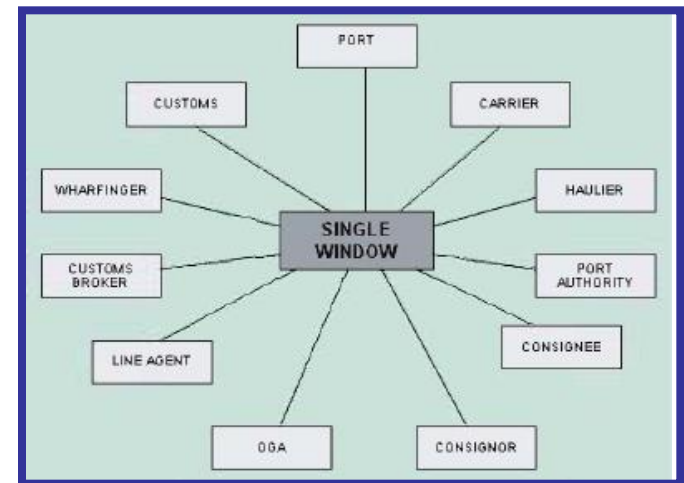
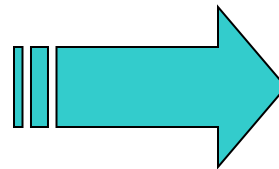
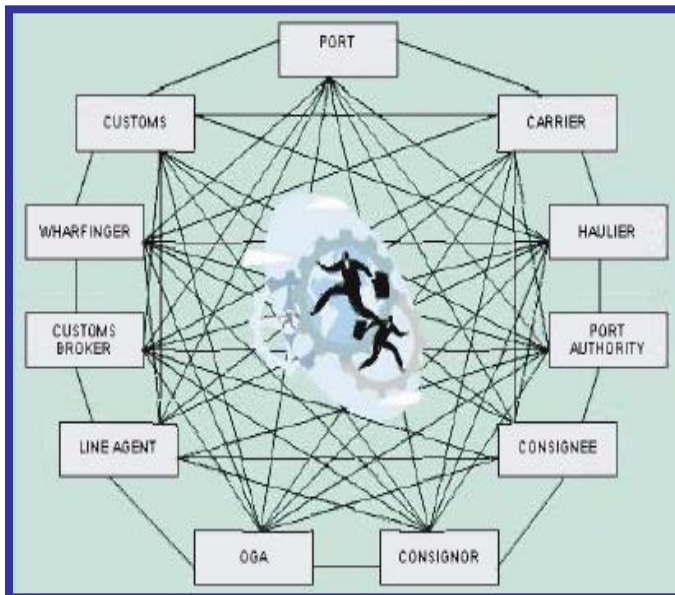
Contribution of natural barriers, behind-the border facilitation and trade-related practice to trade costs



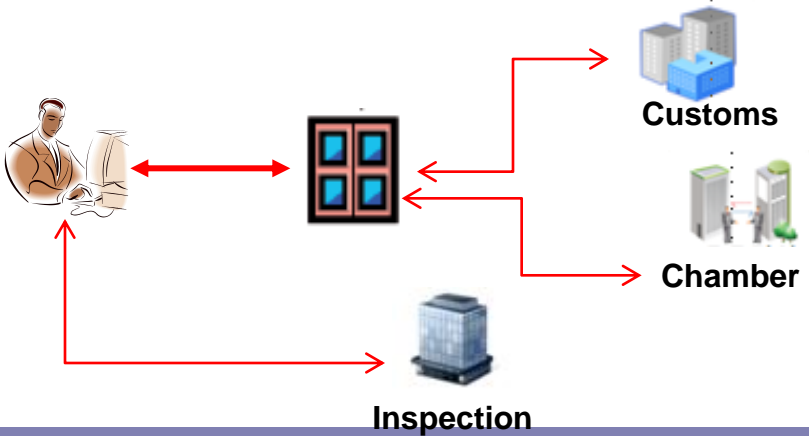
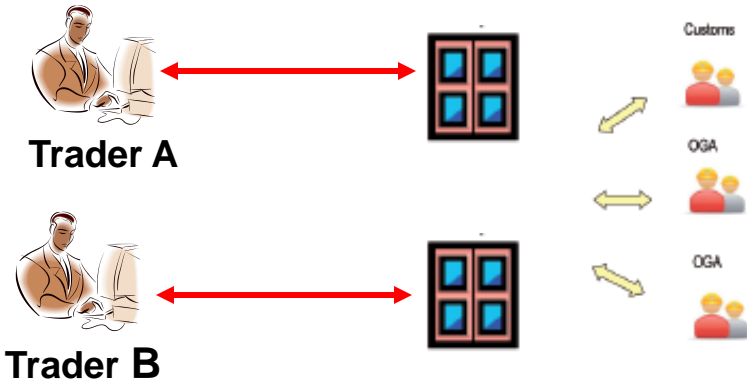
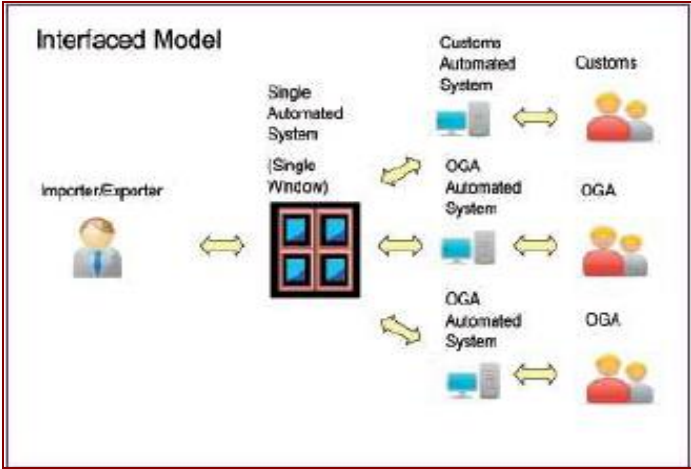
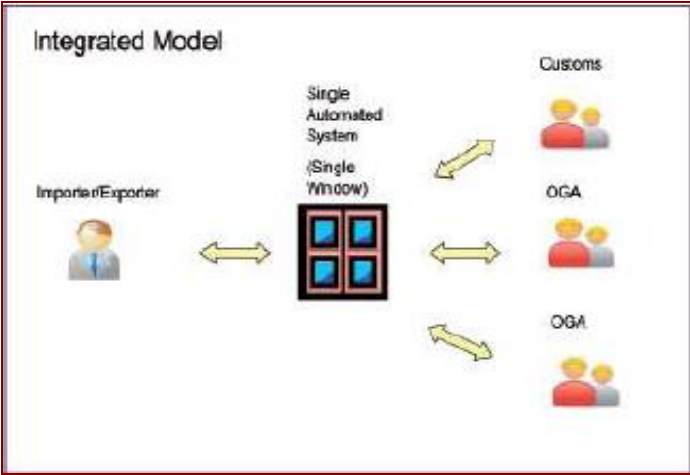
5 \* Illustrative based on casual observation of the data only. Natural trade costs for landlocked countries may be outside the range shown for natural trade costs.

# What is Single Window

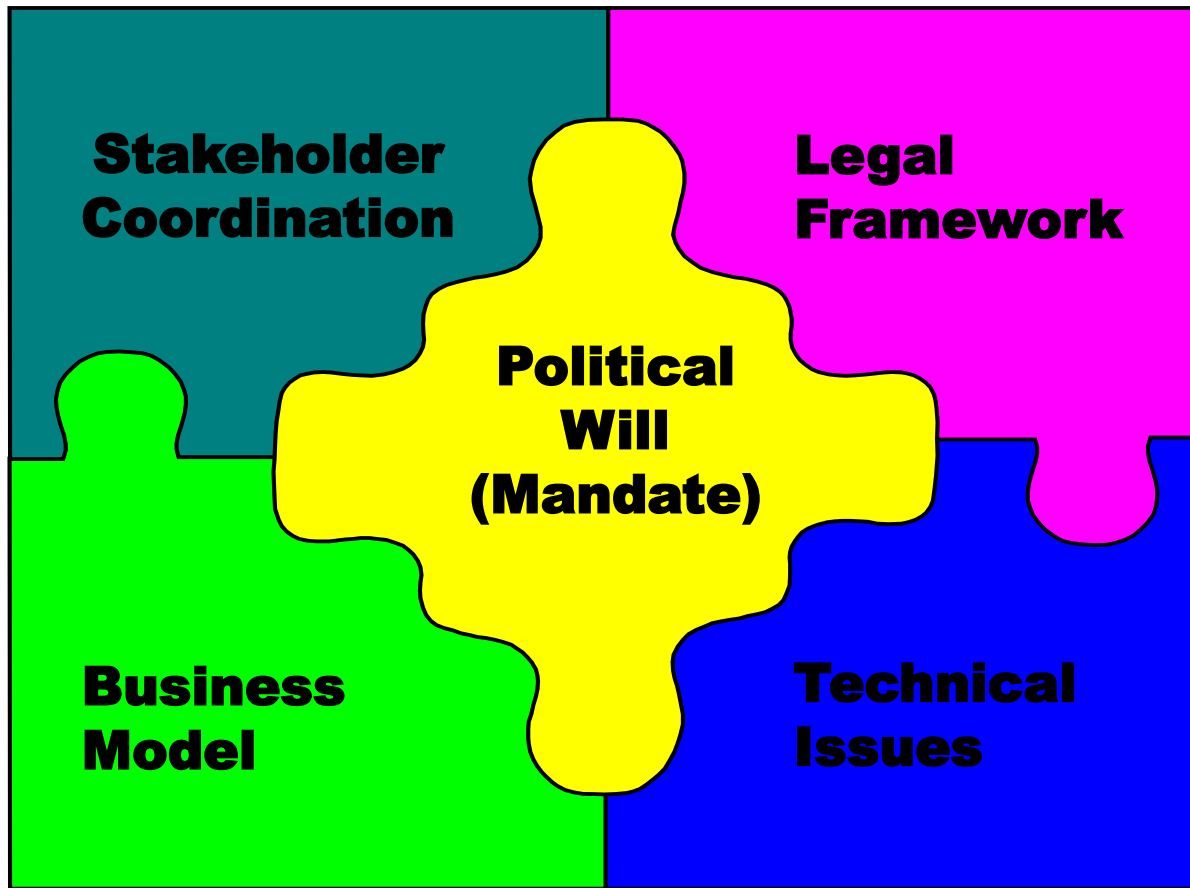
***A facility that allows parties involved in trade and transport to lodge standardized information and documents with a single entry point to fulfil all import, export, and transit-related regulatory requirements***



# Deciphering Single Window: Which One Is Single Window?



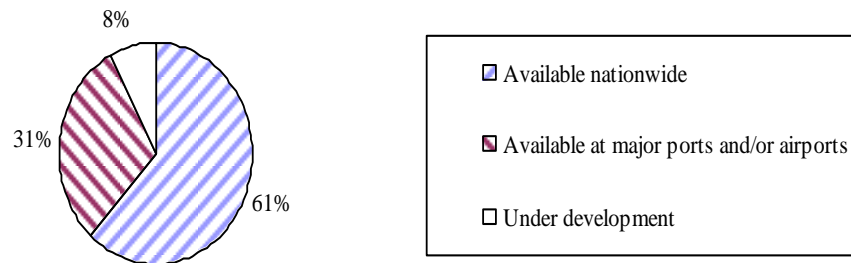
# Critical Factors in Single Window Implementation



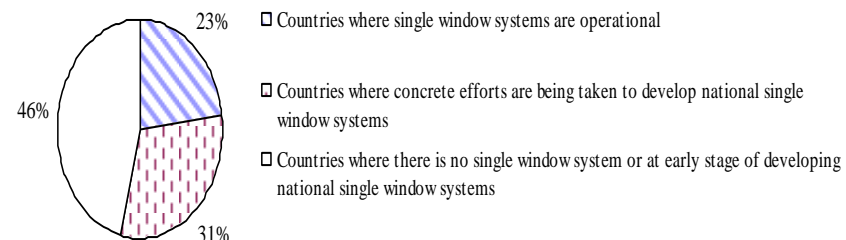


# Status of Asian Region in Single Window and Cross-border Paperless Trade

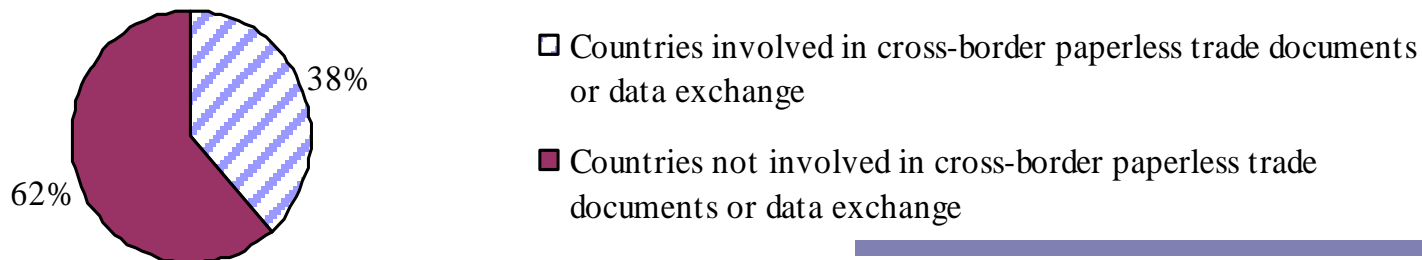
## Availability of electronic customs system



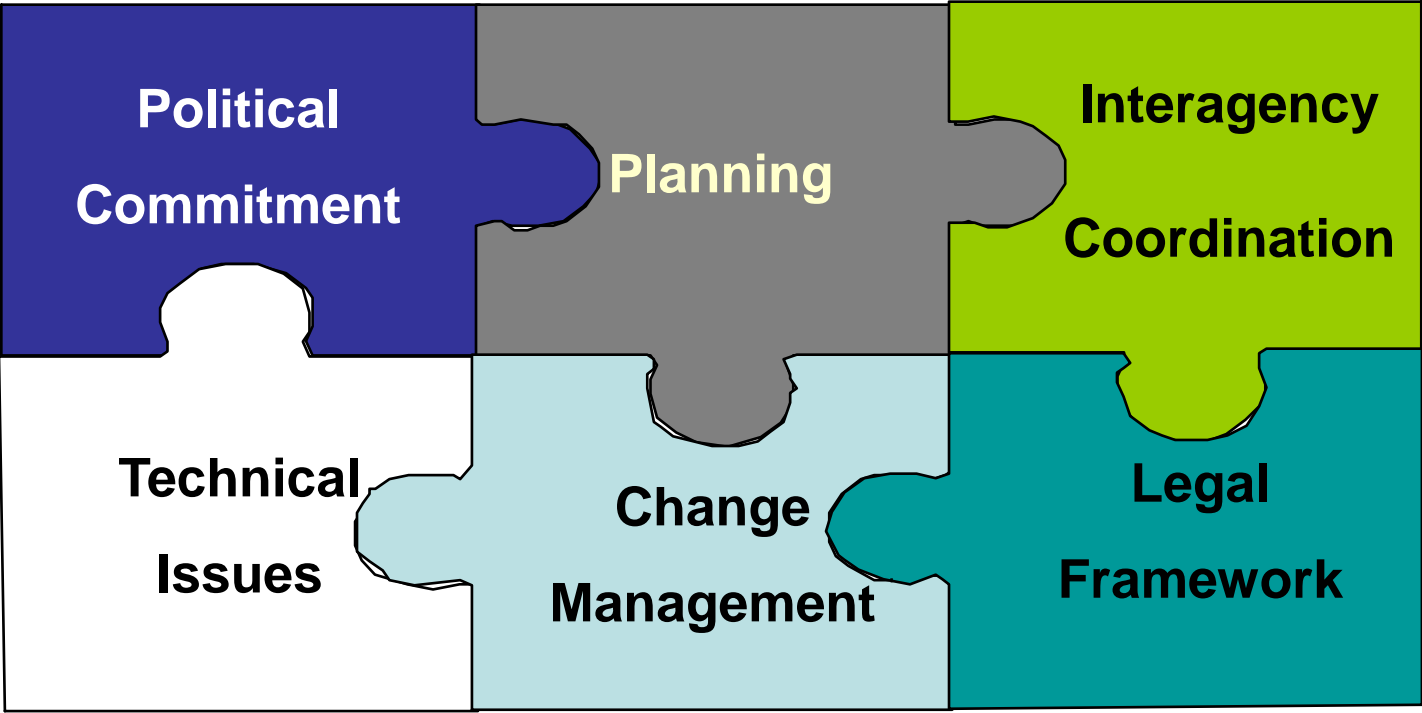
## Development of national single window systems



## Asian countries engaged in cross-border paperless trade documents or data exchange



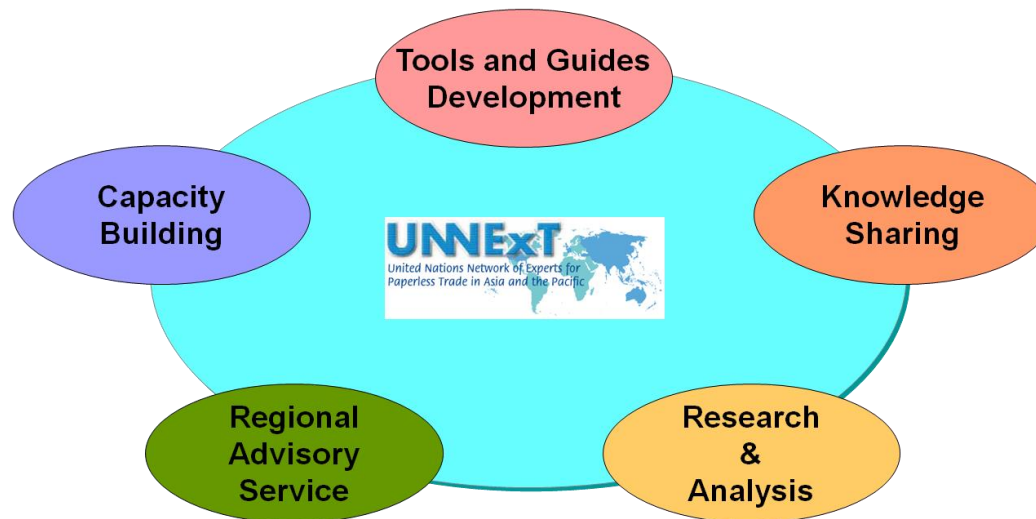
# Major Gaps in Single Window Implementation : Regional Experience



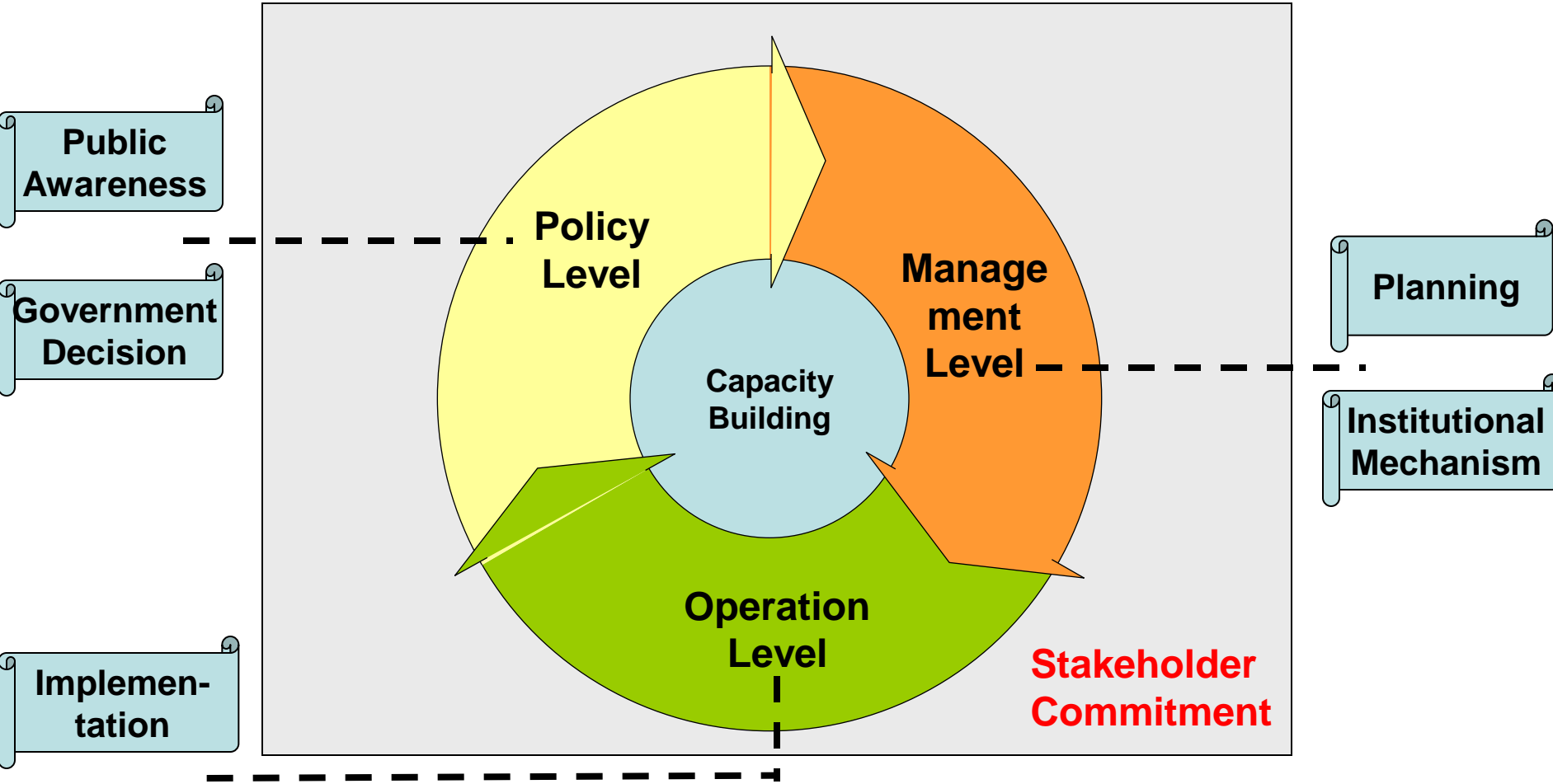
# Regional Approach to Address Gaps in Single Window Implementation



***“ongoing community of knowledge and practice to facilitate the implementation of single window and paperless trade in the Asia-Pacific region”***

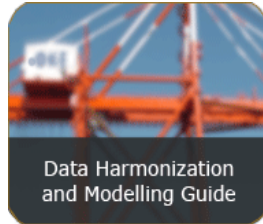
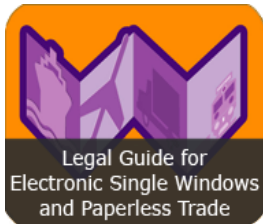


# Capacity Building Support Framework in Single Window Implementation



# UNNExT Capacity Building: Toolkit and Masterclass

## SINGLE WINDOW IMPLEMENTATION TOOLKIT FOR TRADE FACILITATION

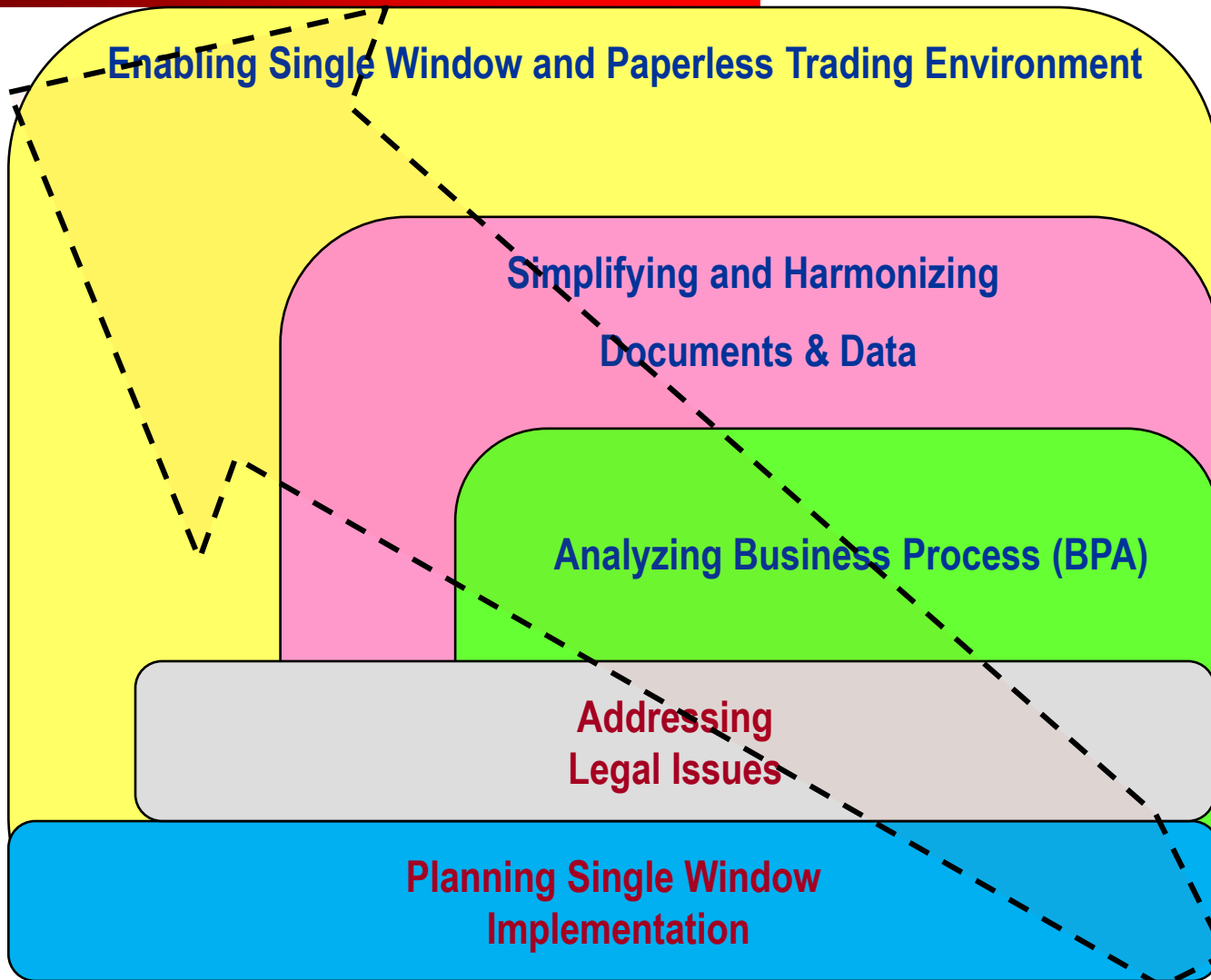


## UNNExT Masterclass 2013: Implementing Single Window and Paperless Trade

In Cooperation with Customs Cooperation Fund (CCF) Korea



# UNNExT Masterclass: Building Capacity of Wholistic View on Single Window Implementation



# UNNExT Awareness Programme: Briefs and Link to the APTFF



## Asia-Pacific Trade Facilitation Forum (APTFF)

*an open regional platform to exchange information, experiences and practices, identify priority areas for regional cooperation and integration, and learn about new tools and services*

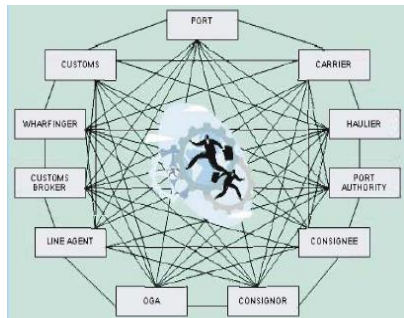


**"Towards more efficient and inclusive supply chains: public and private sector perspectives"**



# From Domestic to Regional Connectivity across Borders

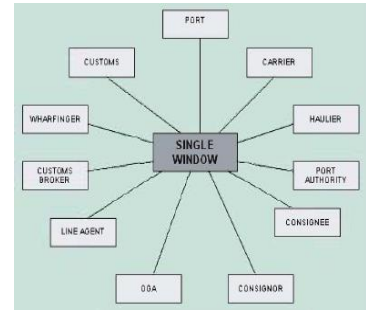
**Political Will**



**Technical Issues**

**Business Model**

**Legal Framework**



**Common Int'l Standard**

**Coordination**

**Public/Private Cooperation**

**Capacity Gaps**

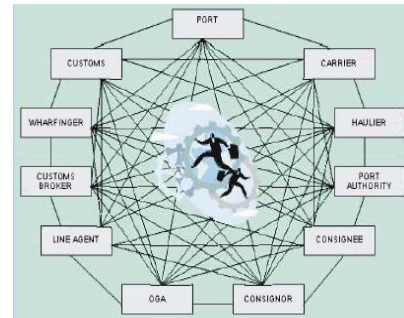


**Stakeholder Coordination**

**Border**

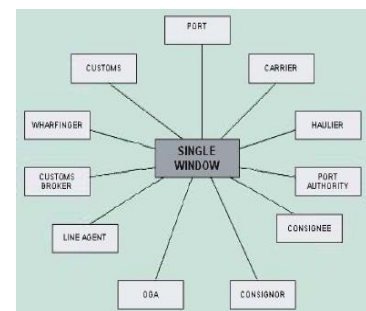
**Stakeholder Coordination**

**Technical Issues**



**Legal Framework**

**Business Model**



**Political Will**



# Enabling Cross Border Trade Data Exchange: Common Denominators

- ❖ **Domestic legal framework compatible to international legal instruments**
- ❖ **Use of international standards for technical interoperability, including security measures**
- ❖ **Change Management**
- ❖ **Policy Facilitation Framework:**
  - 1) **Bi-lateral level, ex) MOA, FTA**
  - 2) **Sub-regional level, ex) ASEAN SW Agreement**
  - 3) **Regional level, ex) ESCAP Resolution 68/3**
  - 4) **Global level**

# ESCAP Resolution 68/3

## ***Enabling paperless trade and the cross-border recognition of electronic data and documents for inclusive and sustainable intraregional trade facilitation***

1. *Invites* member States to work towards the development of regional arrangements on the facilitation of cross-border paperless trade;
  
3. *Requests the Executive Secretary:*
  - (a) To support and facilitate the process for the development of regional arrangements on the facilitation of cross-border paperless trade, including by conducting studies, developing potential options, and organizing expert review and member consultations, and in this regard to present its results to the Committee on Trade and Investment at its third session;

# Global Trade Facilitation Conference 2013

- ❖ Theme: *Beyond Single Window: Paperless Supply Chain for Inclusive Development*
- ❖ Dates: 18-19 November 2013
- ❖ Venue: United Nations Conference Centre (UNCC), Bangkok, Thailand



---

# Thank you

[www.unescap.org/tid](http://www.unescap.org/tid)

[www.unescap.org/unnext](http://www.unescap.org/unnext)