TFA Implementation, SW and Regional Integration

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Role of African SWs in TFA Implementation

Objective: Determine the relevance of each TFA article with the work program of AACE members' Options:

- 1. Members lead where there is clear mandate
- 2. Members facilitate/coordinate where necessary
- 3. Members outreach to the hinterland (corridor)
- 4. AACE to facilitate networking, develop guides and organize capacity building and sensitization activities



Responses received from:

- 1. Cameroon
- 2. Ghana
- 3. Kenya
- 4. Morocco
- 5. Senegal



ARTICLE 1: PUBLICATION AND AVAILABILITY OF NFORMATION

- 1.1: Prompt publication of specified information in a non-discriminatory and easily accessible manner
- 1.2 Information available through internet
- 1.3: Establish enquiry point(s) to receive and answer enquiries on trade relevant information
- 1.4: Notify to the Committee on Trade Facilitation at the WTO Secretariat the official place of publication



Capacity building needs

- 1. Develop modern trade information portal
- 2. Consolidate all relevant source of information
- 3. Develop users manuals and organize awareness creation activities
- 4. Consensus building among stakeholders to allocate responsibilities
- 5. Capacity building and awareness for users from landlocked countries
- 6. Maintenance and regular update of database



ARTICLE 2: OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT, INFORMATION BEFORE ENTRY INTO FORCE AND CONSULTATION

- 2.1: Opportunity for traders and other
- interested parties to comment on the proposed introduction or amendment of laws and regulations on movement, release and clearance of goods, including goods in transit.
- 2.2 Provide for regular consultations



Capacity building needs

- 1. Consensus building to align to allocate responsibility
- 2. Outreach to the hinterland
- 3. Regular consultations held



ARTICLE 10: FORMALITIES CONNECTED WITH IMPORTATION AND EXPORTATION AND TRANSIT

10.1: 1 Formalities and Documentation Requirements

10.2: Acceptance of Copies
10.3: Use of International Standards
10.4: Single Window
10.7: Common Border Procedures and Uniform
Document Requirements



Capacity building needs

- 1. Consensus building and sensitization for the adoption of electronic signature
- 2. Capacity building and promotion of international standards
- 3. Training and change management.

