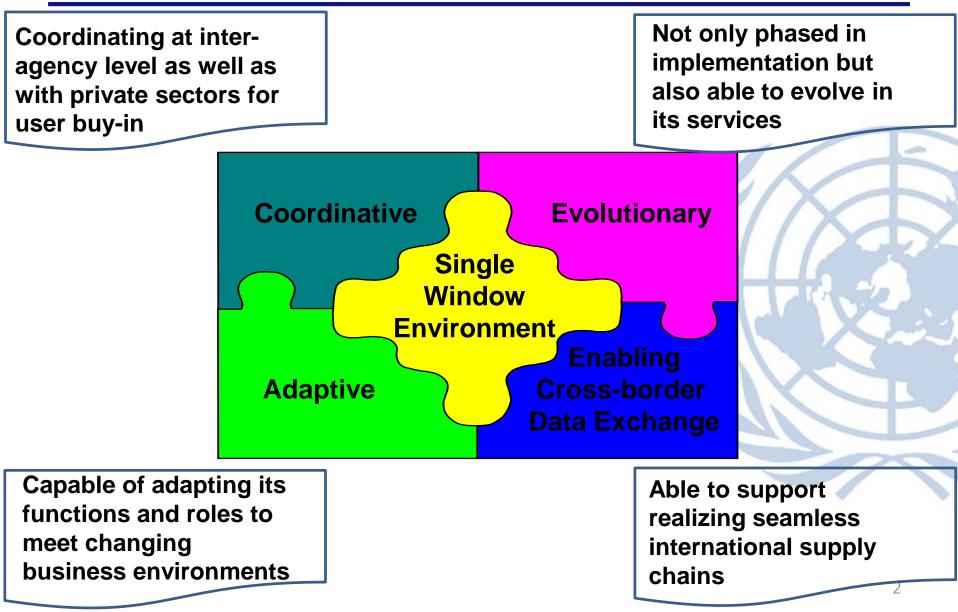
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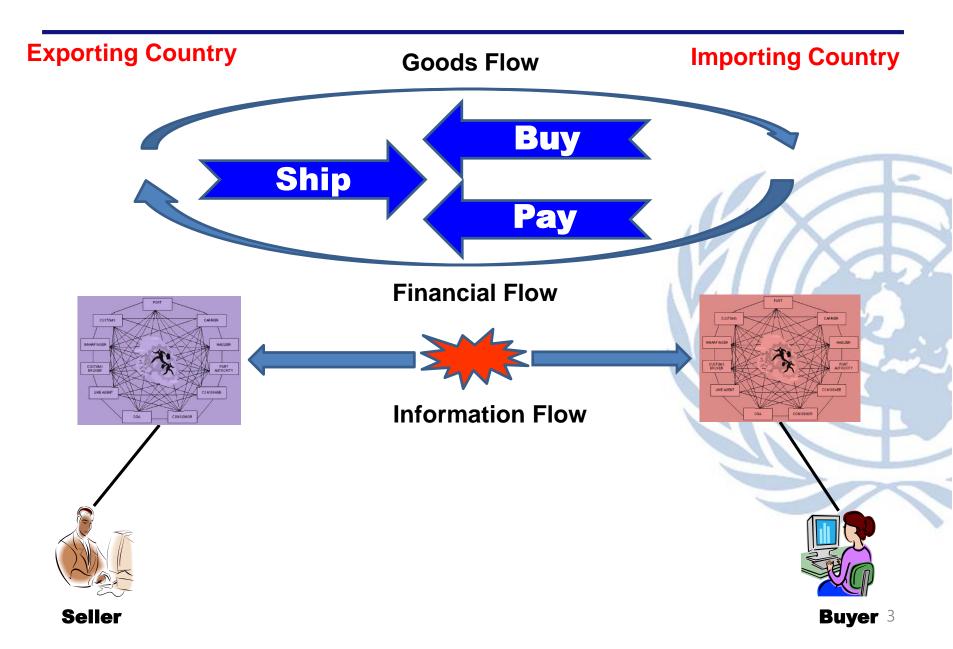
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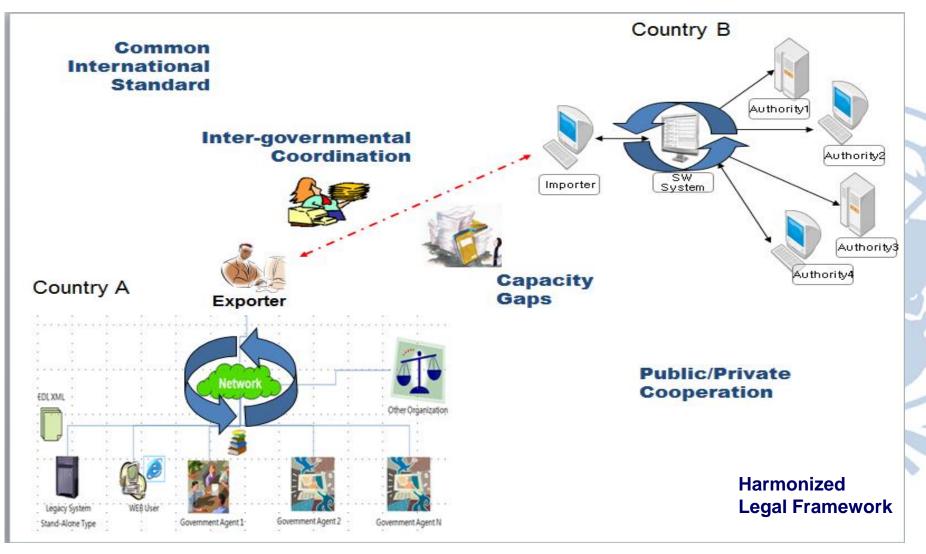
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#### **Enabling Cross-border Data Exchange**



# Enabling Cross-border Data Exchange (Cont'd)



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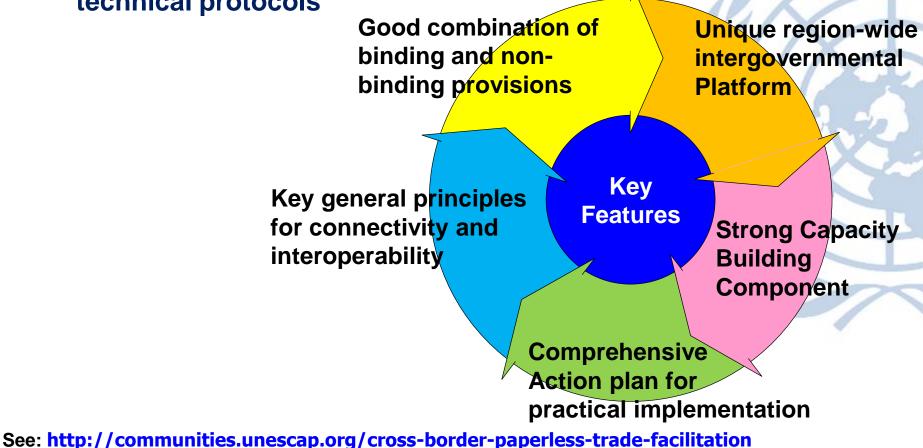
It is good to provide traders a single gateway (window) to enter, so that they do not get astray.

However, let's try help them to continue their journey even after they exit the window.

Map image Source: Wikipedia

#### **ESCAP Regional Arrangement on Crossborder Paperless Trade Facilitation**

- Development of a UN treaty
- Voluntary agreement: Becoming a party is an option
- Framework Agreement (FA): Focus on *facilitation* of cross-border paperless trade, with provision of basis for subsequent legal and technical protocols



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### Enabling a Single Window for cross-border paperless trade data exchange

- To realize a seamless international supply chain, Single Windows should be interoperable, not only at national level, but also across borders.
- An interoperable Single Window should be coordinative, evolutionary, adaptive, accommodating, and enabling (crossborder data exchange).
- Enabling a Single Window for cross-border paperless data exchange will be, at current stage being a competitive edge, will be a requirement in a near future.

### Thank you

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