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KENYA

BOOSTING TRADE UNDER AFRICAN CONTINENTAL FREE TRADE AREA



Kenya like many other developing countries and emerging economies faces relatively high costs and time involved in the import and export of products. Challenges result from factors such as delayed export processes, and border procedures that lack transparency.

The project therefore aimed at **making import, export and transit procedures** within Kenya **more efficient**. The focus was on supporting the trade ministry, trade related parastatals and border agencies in the execution of selected annexes of the AfCFTA.

WHAT WE DID:

The project aimed at boosting trade facilitation under the **AfCFTA** in Kenya. It was implemented from March 2022 to end June2024. **Project activities included:**

• Capacity building for the Kenyan Ministry of •

Industrialization, Trade and Investment (MITI), specifically the State Department of Trade; for the National Trade Facilitation Committee (NTFC), other parastatals, regulatory bodies and the private sector: Capacity building topics included HS coding, tariff

schedule, and the interlinkages between the WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement, the AfCFTA TF, Customs Cooperation and Transit Annexes.

- **Training of 21 government agencies** developing, configurating and using **risk management** modules.
- **Border and One Stop Border Posts** (OSBP) **visits** to validate and address trade facilitation challenges at the border.
- Collaboration with Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) on Pre-Arrival Processing (PAP) and Authorized Economic Operator (AEO) programmes in Kenya.

- Support of establishment of stakeholder committees for AEO and PAP.
- Sensitization of Border control Agencies, Customs Agents and Freight Forwarders on PAP and AEO programmes.
- **Studies** and research on AEO, PAP and Costs of Compliance for Traders with Shippers Council of East Africa (SCEA).
- Research with the Federation of East African Freight Forwarders Association (FEAFFA) and International the Kenya Freight and Warehousing Association (KIFWA).

Supported FEAFFA and KIFWA in hosting the Global Logistics Conference in Nairobi on 22nd to 24th November 2023.



RESULTS



(by FEAFFA and KIFWA)

agents and freight

forwarders in Kenya



been developed



70% increase of **Pre-Arrival-Processing** (PAP) usage



shipments

2020 2023



Enhanced use of the Bill of lading in 2023 which is facilitating the **PAP process**

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