

# **EUBAM Trade Facilitation Working Group**

## EU-Moldova and EU-Ukraine Customs Priority Activities under the Association Agreements/ Agendas

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## HIGH LEVEL EU-MD and EU-UA MEETINGS

- ⇒ 1st EU-Moldova Customs Sub-Committee 20 May, Chisinau
- ⇒ 13th EU-Ukraine Sub-Committee on Customs and Cross-Border Cooperation 5 October, Kyiv
- ⇒ EU-Moldova Strategic Framework Group 20-21 November 2014, Iaşi, Romania
- ⇒ EU-Ukraine Strategic Framework Group 20-21 June 2013, Przemyśl Poland



## MAIN CUSTOMS PRIORITIES FOR MOLDOVA AND UKRAINE

- ⇒ Regional Convention on Pan-Euro-Mediterranean Preferential Rules of Origin
- ⇒ Common Transit and SAD Conventions
- ⇒Simplified procedures, customs audit and AEO system
- ⇒ Union Customs Code
- ⇒ Shared border crossing points



# REGIONAL CONVENTION PAN-EURO-MEDITERRANEAN PREFERENTIAL RULES OF ORIGIN

- **⇒** AA Customs chapters
- ⇒ Protocols I and II on rules of origin
- ⇒ Seminars in Kyiv and Chisinau in 2015
- ⇒ Benefits: economic integration and trade facilitation
- ⇒ Moldova: member from 1 September 2015
- ⇒ Ukraine: next steps?



# Common Transit and SAD Conventions

- ⇒ Art. 76.4.(b)/ Art. 193.4 interconnectivity of EU and MD/UA customs transit systems, with a view to participating in the transit system set out in the Convention
- ⇒ Benefits
- ⇒ EU-EFTA Working Groups Moldova and Ukraine has observer status
- ⇒ Short term transit project for Ukraine in 2015; twinning project for Moldova in pipeline in EU-DEL;



#### **AEO** programme

- ⇒ EU AEO programme has 7 years
- $\Rightarrow$  Agreements: art 76.1(h)(k) and 193.1(h)(k)
- ⇒UA comparative analysis, study visits, AEO Network; MD - comparative analysis, pilot project results, future study visits and AEO Network



#### **Union Customs Code**

- ⇒AA + legislative annexes
- ⇒ EU experts available
- New Implementing Provisions to the Union Customs Code



### **Shared Border Crossing Points**

- ⇒ Association Agreements art. 80 (h)/
- ⇒ Schengen Code regulation 610/2013
- ⇒ Community Customs Code Article 2(2)
- ⇒ Bilateral agreements with EU Member States (SK, PL)
- ⇒ Benefits
- ⇒ EU financial instruments available



### **Revised EU Customs Blueprints**

- ⇒ Association Agreements: Art. 80 and 197
- ⇒Strategy for customs reform projects
- ⇒ Based on the EU best practices
- ⇒Seminar in February 2016 in Brussels (tbc)



#### The End

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