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“Intelligent Exchange”
Trade Facilitation in practice

**Trade Facilitation Models
in Africa**

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WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement – BALI Package



- ▶ 3 articles consisting of 23 sections – At least 8 relate to IT connectivity

Section I

- Art.1 Publication and availability of information
- Art.2 Consultations
- Art.3 Advance ruling
- Art.4 Appeal/Review procedures
- Art.5 Other measures for transparency etc.
- Art.6 Fee, Charges and penalty
- Art.7 Release and Clearance of goods
- Art.8 Border Agency Cooperation
- Art.9 Movement of goods intended for import
- Art.10 Formalities
- Art.11 Transit
- Art.12 Customs cooperation

Section II
Special and Differential Treatment for Developing Countries and Least Developed Countries

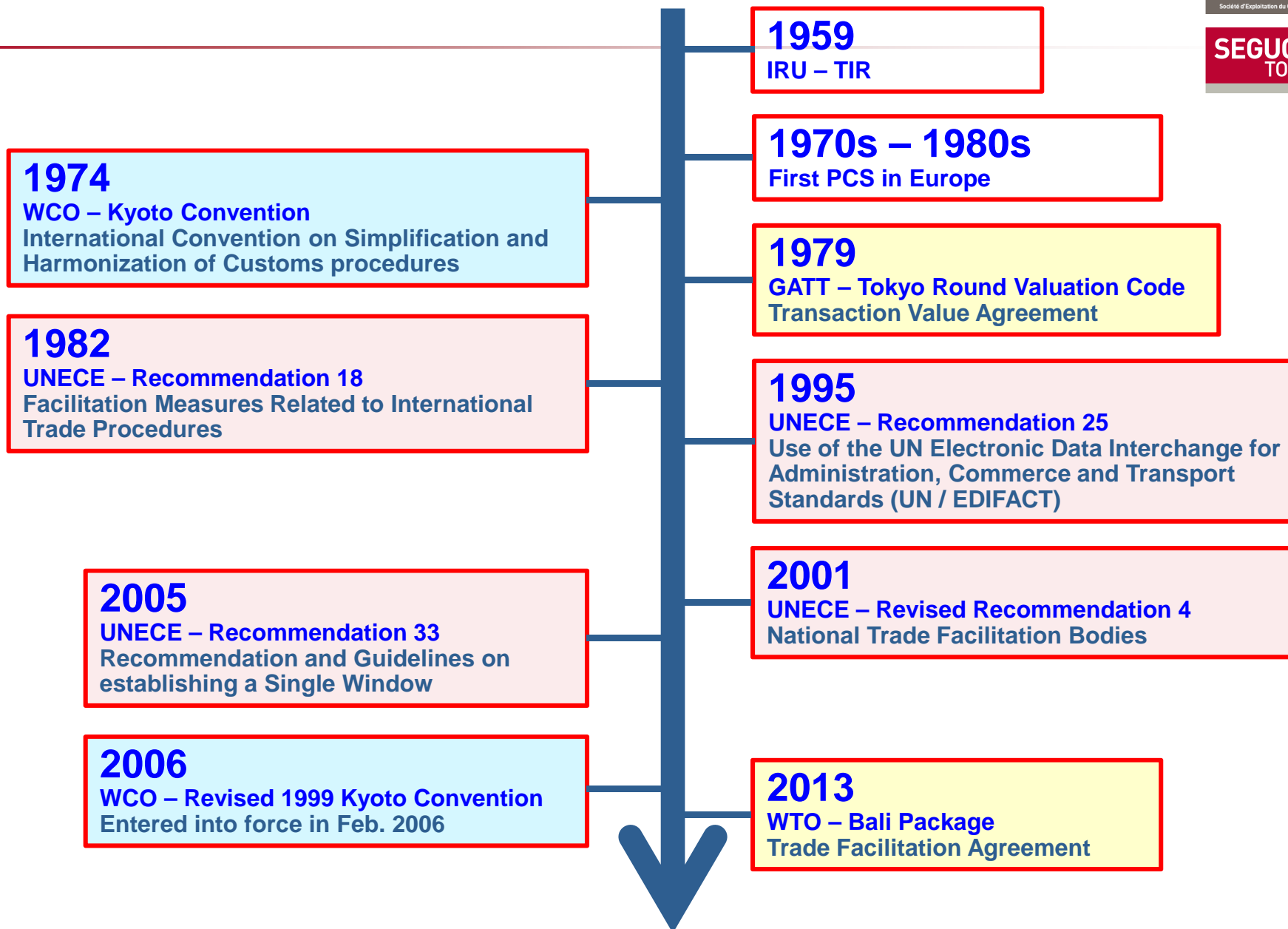
- Rules about Categories A, B and C
- Assistance for Capacity Building
- Information to be submitted to the TF Committee

Section III
Institutional Arrangements and Final Provisions

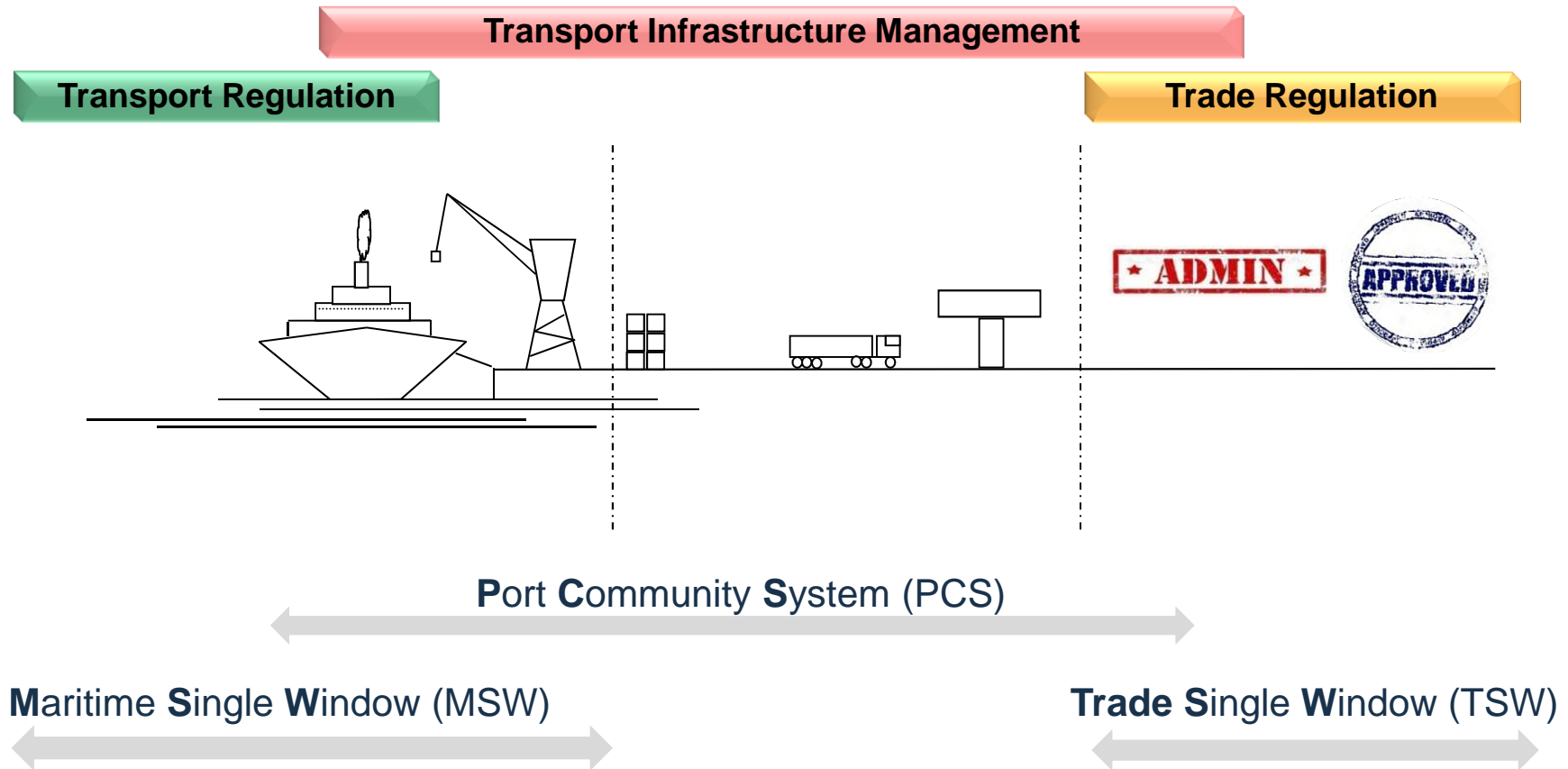
- Committee on Trade Facilitation
- National Committee on Trade Facilitation
- Final provisions

Source: www.tfafacility.org/trade-facilitation-agreement-facility

Background



How Single Windows fit together

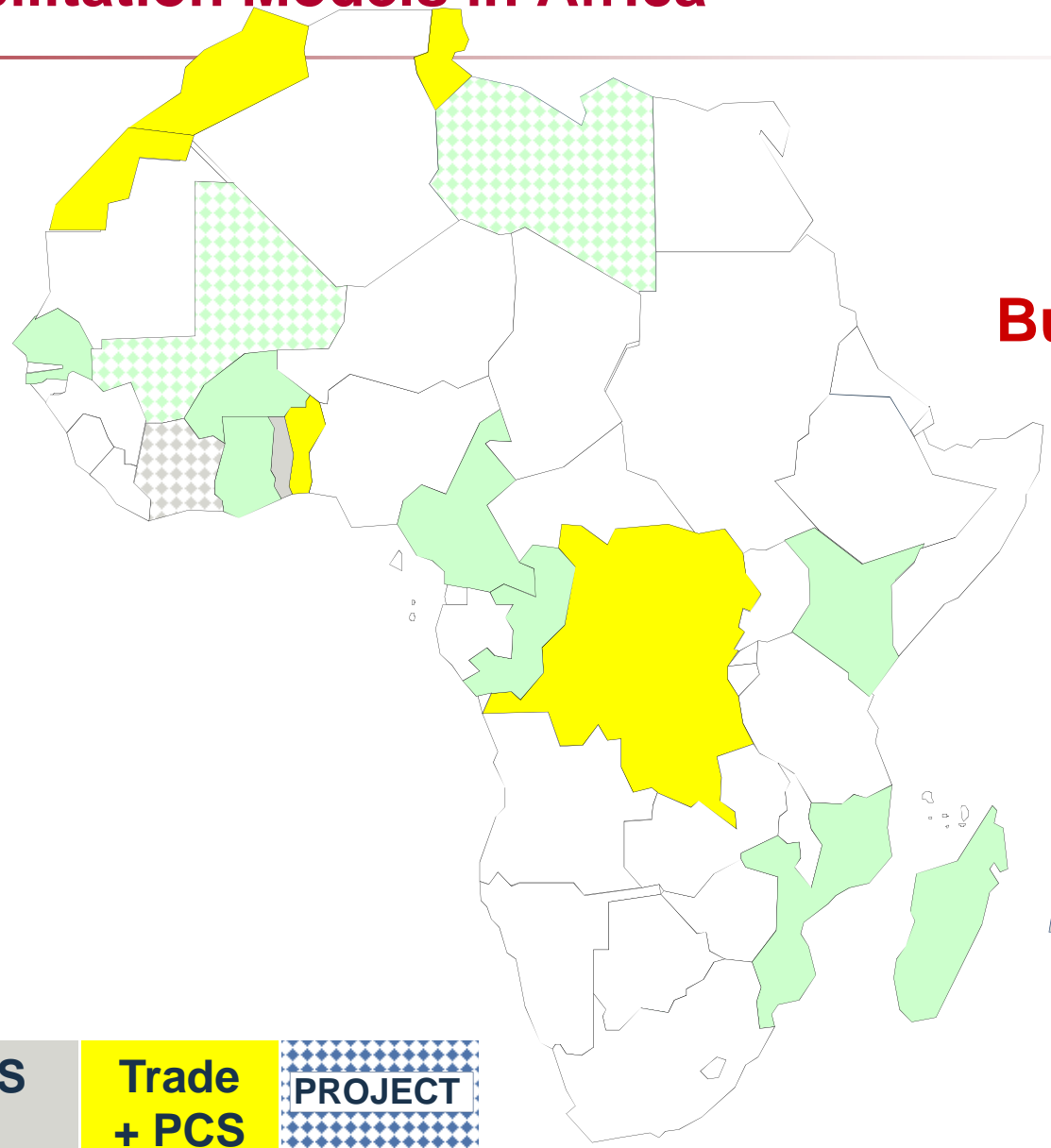


Trade Facilitation Models in Africa



(source: AACE & Bureau Veritas)

- Senegal
- Ivory Coast
- Ghana
- Burkina Faso
- Mali
- Togo
- Benin
- Cameroon
- Congo
- Congo DR



- Tunisia
- Morocco
- Libya
- Kenya
- Mozambique
- Madagascar
- Mauritius

Trade	PCS	Trade + PCS	PROJECT
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Trade Single Window (TSW) in Africa



- ▶ ...has been initiated in the 2000s: Cameroon (2000), Ghana (2000), Senegal (2002), Madagascar (2007),.....
- ▶ ...is focused on administrative processes
- ▶ ...(WCO/SAFE *) definition:

The single Window [...] permits the trader or transporter to submit **all the data needed for determining admissibility of the goods** in a standardized format only once to the authorities involved in border controls and at a **single portal**.

* source: WCO

<http://www.wcoomd.org/en/topics/facilitation/activities-and-programmes>

Port Community System (PCS) in Africa



- ▶ ...has been initiated in 2010s: Benin (2010), Morocco (2010), Togo (2014), DRC (2016),
- ▶ ...deals with administrative, business and logistics processes
- ▶ ...(IPCSA *) definition:
 - **A neutral and open electronic platform** enabling intelligent and secure exchange of information between public and private stakeholders in order to **improve the competitive position of the trade communities,**
 - optimizes, manages and **automates port and logistics processes** through a single submission of data and connecting transport and logistics chains.

* source: IPCSA
<http://www.epcsa.eu/pcs>

▶ Global:

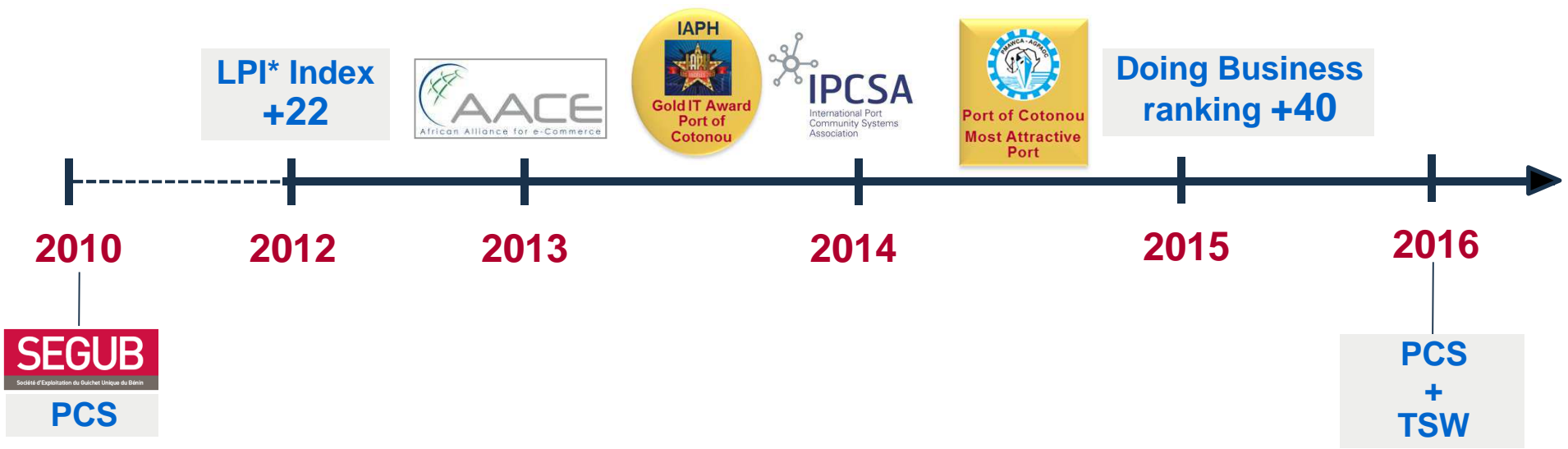
- Population growth coupled with economic growth
- Greater integration in the global economy
- Search for optimized logistics and trade related formalities

▶ Trade Facilitation:

- Emergence of PCS since 2010(*)
- PCS Operators offering both PCS and TSW services (Morocco, Benin, DRC,...)
- ASYCUDA being in force in 41 countries in Africa, UNCTAD is a key stakeholder for further developments

(*) “Port Community Systems [...] are the way forward and need to be incorporated into future methods of border management.” Dr Alan Bersins, Assistant Secretary, US Department for Homeland Security – INCU [...], May 2014.

Example: SEGUB Key milestones



	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Dwell time	40 days	↓ 36 days	↓ 13 days	↓ 6 days	Possible clearance in 24 hours
Customs revenue	Base 100	↑ +20%	↑ +15%	↑ +13%	↓ -4%

*LPI: World Bank Logistics Performance Index

- ▶ Numerous indicators have been developed
 - OECD **Trade Facilitation Indicators (TFI)** correspond to the TFA main policy areas
 - OECD TFI, **World Economic Forum Enabling Trade Index (ETI)**, **World Bank Logistics Performance Index (LPI)** score countries in the same general way.
 - **Most of indicators focus on institutions, policies and regulations.** As a consequence to measure practical improvements **we suggest to take also into account hard data** like Cargo Dwell Time in a given port,...

