

Ghana National Single Window Media Trade Facilitation Workshop

“Achieving the National Single Window Vision”

Towards the Vision!

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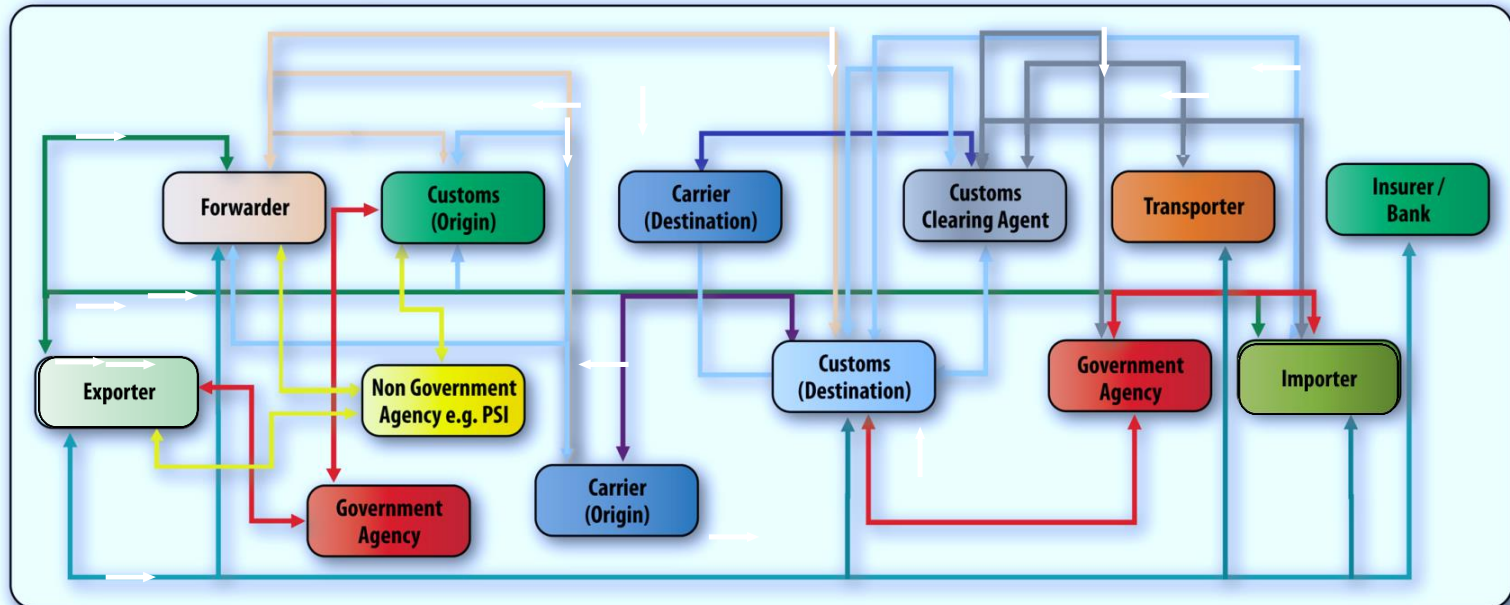
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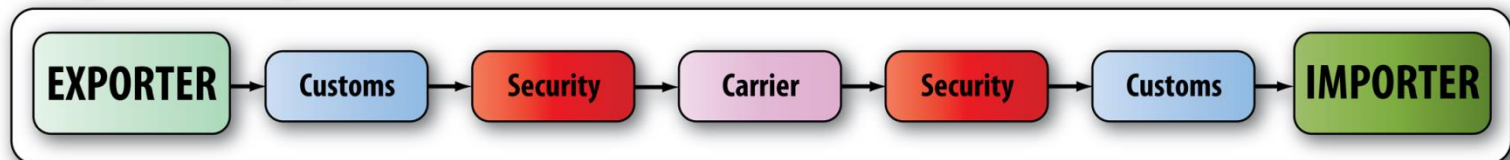


The current international trade environment involves complex international trade processes with disparate systems...

Document Tracking



Cargo Tracking



Each international trade transaction requires an average of 40 documents of 200 data elements, with 15% repeated at least 30 times and 60-70% repeated more than once. (UNCTAD)



The diagram illustrates a 'Single Window Background' concept. A central dark blue rectangular box with a 3D effect contains the text 'SINGLE WINDOW BACKGROUND' in white, bold, uppercase letters. Above the box, three stylized black human figures are arranged in a semi-circle, holding hands. The word 'CUSTOMS' is positioned above the central figure, 'AGENTS' above the left figure, and 'PORTS' above the right figure. Below the box, another semi-circle of stylized black human figures holds hands. The word 'MINISTRIES' is positioned above the rightmost figure, 'BANKS' above the middle-right figure, 'TRANSPORTERS' above the middle-left figure, 'GOVT AGENCIES' above the leftmost figure, and 'OTHER' above the far-left figure. The entire diagram is set against a white background with a grey and yellow decorative header at the top.

SINGLE WINDOW BACKGROUND

Single Window is defined by the UN and WCO as...

UN Recommendation 33:

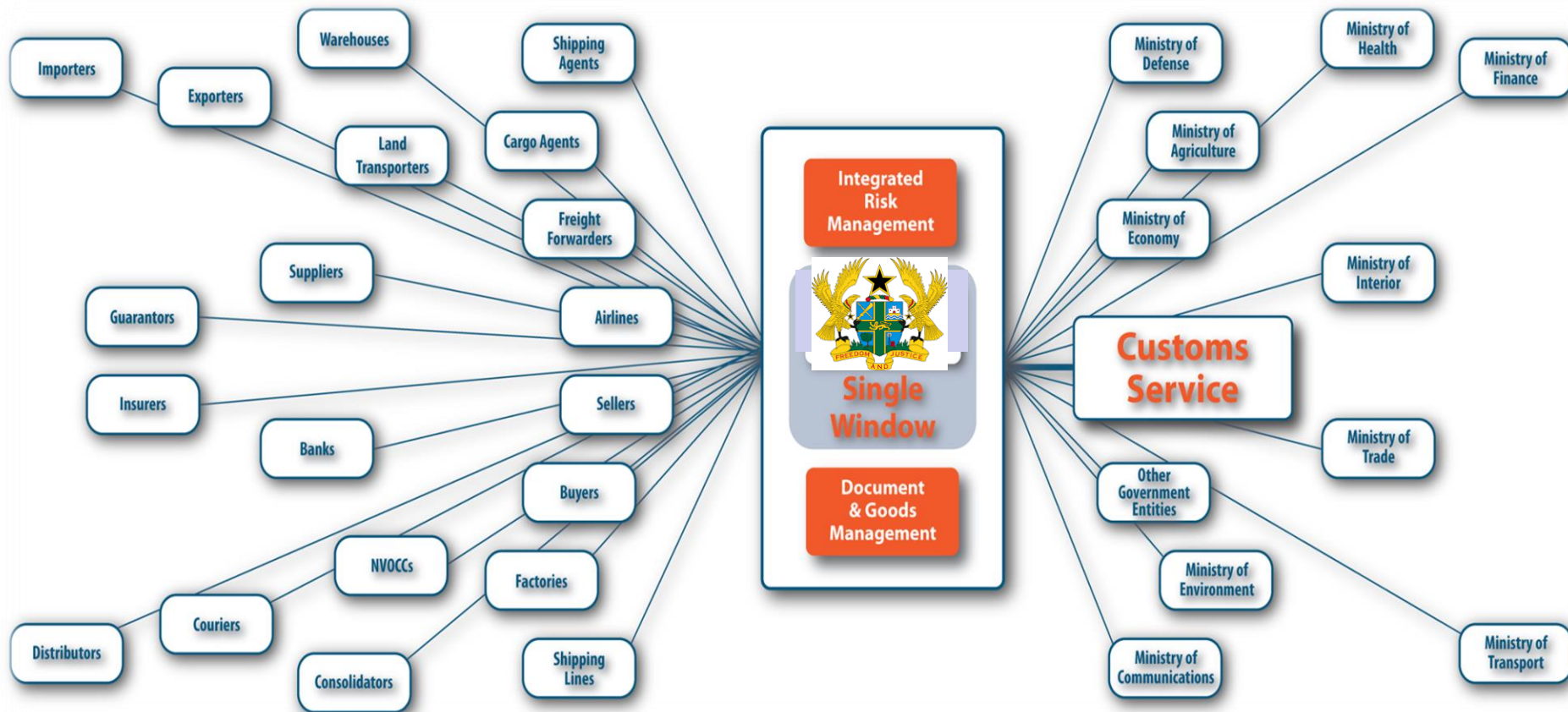
A facility that allows parties involved in trade and transport to lodge standardized information and documents with a **single entry point** to fulfil all import, export, and transit-related regulatory requirements. If information is electronic, then **individual data elements should only be submitted once.**

WCO:

Single Window Environment is a cross border, “**Intelligent**”, facility that allows parties involved in trade and transport to lodge standardized information, mainly electronic, with a **single entry point** to fulfil all import, export and transit related regulatory requirements.



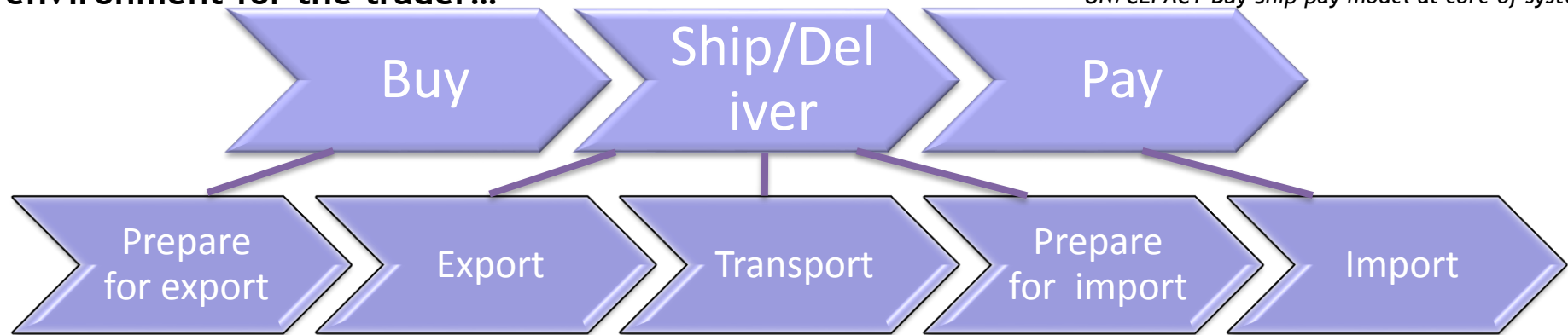
The Optimum Goal of Single Window is to create an integrated workspace of **data** and **business processes** for all trade related activities and stakeholders, with the trader at the core.



... delivering a one stop shop for traders whilst creating a customer-centric **Service** environment

The integration and optimisation of the processes, documents and the data elements across the International Trade Supply Chain provides an efficient and effective environment for the trader...

UN/CEFACT Buy Ship pay model at core of system



INVOLVING

Commercial Procedures

- Establish Sales Contacts
- Order Goods or Services
- Advice on Delivery
- Request Payment



Transport Procedures

- Establish Transport Contract
- Collect, Move and Deliver Goods
- Provide Waybills, Goods Receipts, Status Reports, Etc.



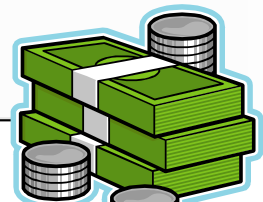
Regulatory Procedures

- Obtain Import/Export Licenses etc.
- Provide Customs Declarations
- Provide Cargo Declaration
- Apply Trade Security Procedures
- Clear Goods for Export/Import

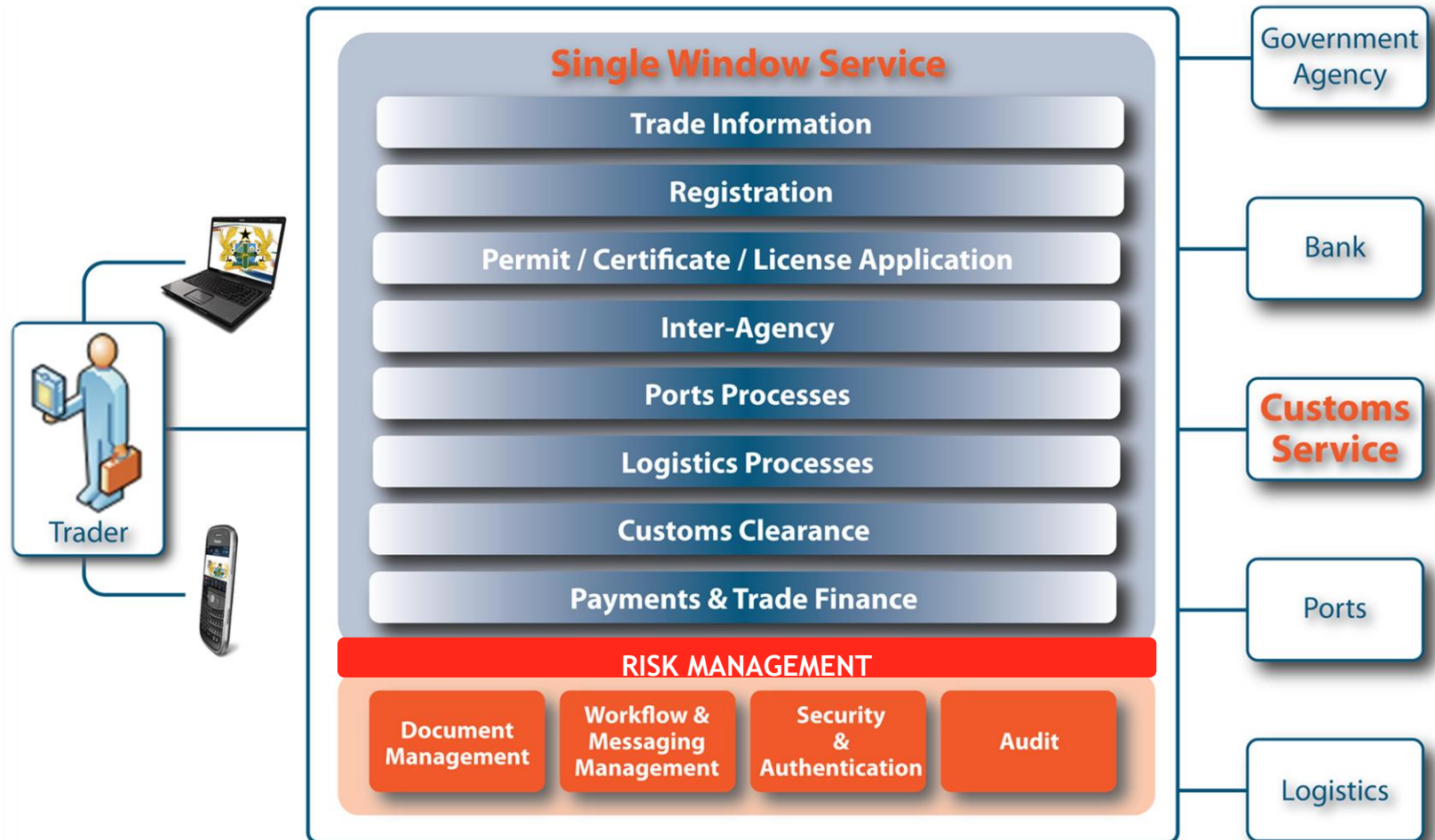


Financial Procedures

- Provide Credit Rating
- Provide Insurance
- Provide Credit
- Execute Payment
- Issue Statement



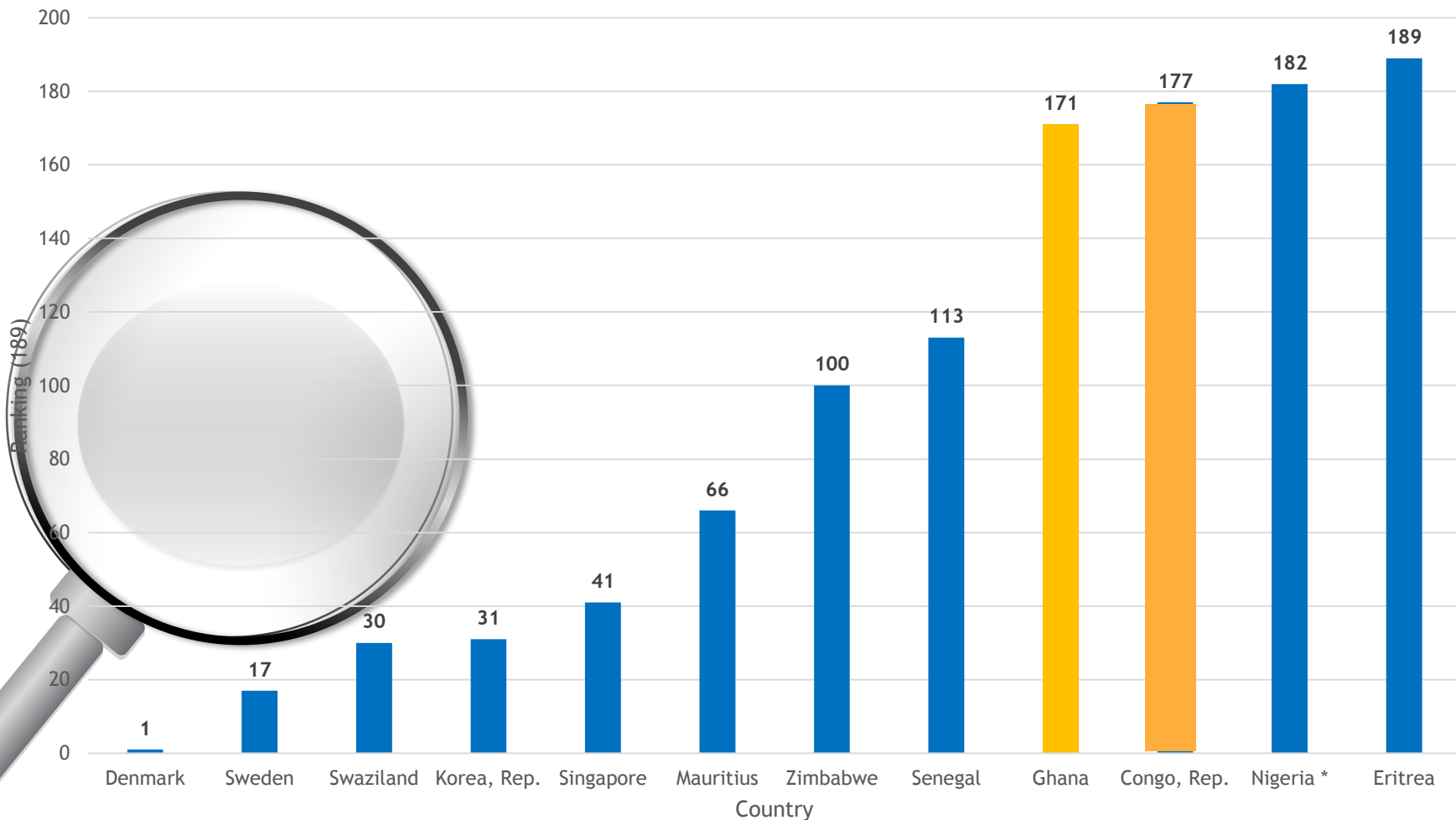
From a technology perspective, a component based, single window incorporates all the technology needed to support efficient trade activities ...



... in a modular form that allows **service** prioritization

CURRENT GHANA ENVIRONMENT The World Bank Trading Across Borders Index, measures and ranks countries on the **time, cost, number of processes** and **documents** required for import and export...

WORLD BANK - DOING BUSINESS (TRADING ACROSS BORDERS) - GLOBAL RANK 2016



50% Better*, Faster and Less-Cost Trading Across Border Environment within 3 years**

FROM 197 hrs, 645 USD **TO** 100 hrs, 322 USD
(for export compliance)

FROM 564 hrs, 1,027 USD **TO** 282 hrs, 564 USD
(for import compliance)

* Better in regulations, good governance, transparency and security.

** According to World Bank's Trading Across Borders Report 2016 (www.doingbusiness.org)

ESTIMATED VALUE OF GHANA'S EXTERNAL TRADE

20,000 million USD

(various estimates range from 20 to 30,000 million)

ASSUME 10% OF THIS IS TRADE TRANSACTION (TT) COSTS

2,000 million USD

ASSUME WE REDUCE THIS BY ONLY 10%

then

**THE VALUE OF OUR COMBINED EFFORTS WOULD BE A
SAVING TO THE GHANAIAN ECONOMY OF AT LEAST**

200 million USD per year

A Chinese Proverb

"If you don't know where you are going,
any road will do."

Therefore

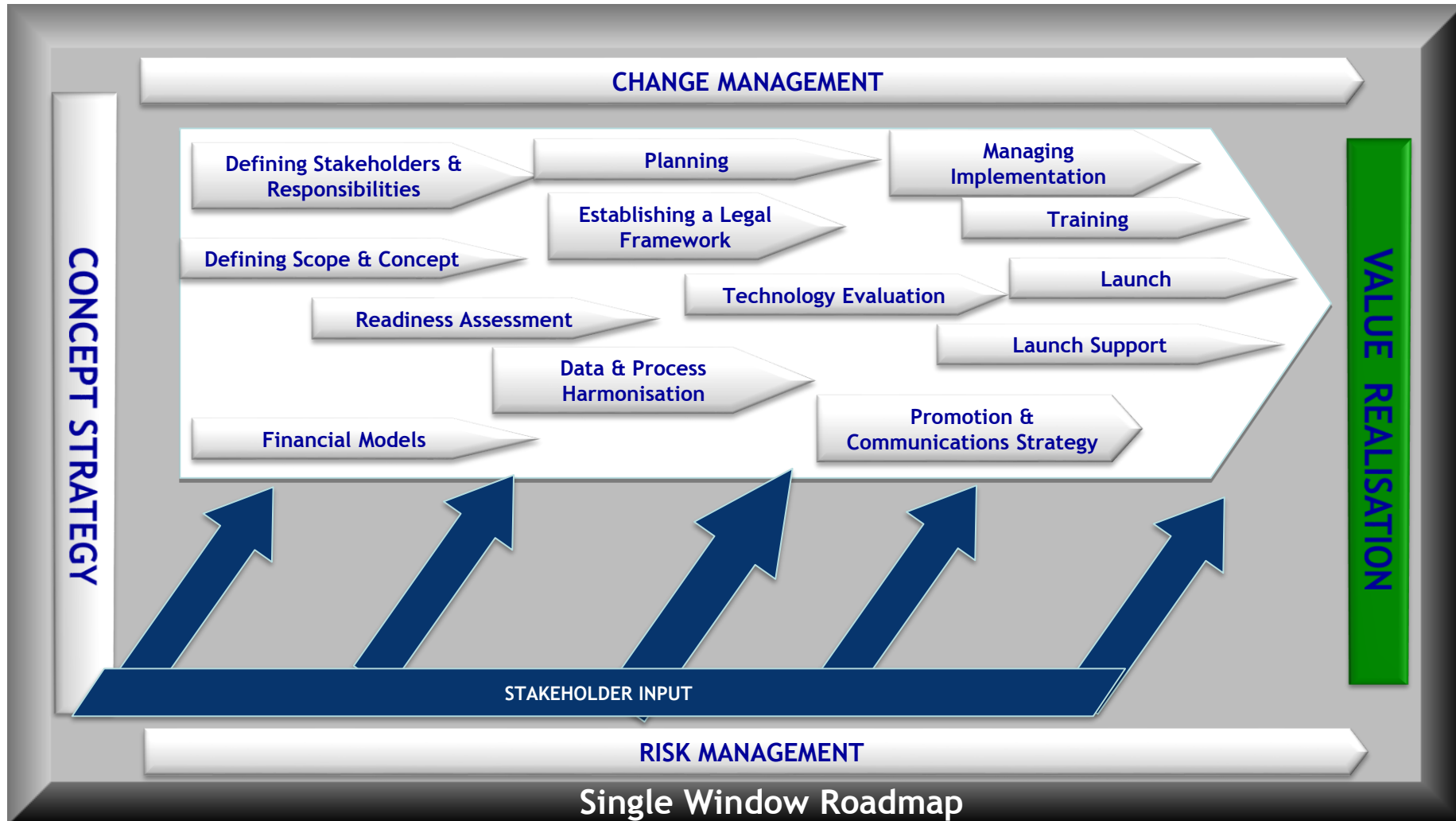
"If SW is a journey, the first few questions are
where you want to go, and why we want to go there."

TARGET VISION

A target vision; model and a roadmap are prerequisites for
achieving the incremental benefits of the Single Window
Environment



To achieve the aims of a Single Window environment, a robust integrated, holistic, multi-phased approach is essential to realising the shared values of all stakeholders, focussing on the 4Ps -PEOPLE; PROCESSES; PLATFORM & POLCY



Steering Committee Members:

- Chief of Staff (Chairman)
- Minister of Finance
- Minister of Trade and Industry
- Minister of Transport
- Minister of Food and Agriculture

Technical Committee Members:

Technical Officer representatives from the organisations:

- Office of H. E. the Vice President Office
- Ministry of Finance
- Ministry of Trade and Industry
- Ministry of Transport
- Ministry of Food and Agriculture
- Association of Ghana Industries
- Ghana Chamber of Commerce
- Ghana Ports and Harbour Authority
- Ghana Revenue Authority
- Food and Drugs Authority
- Ghana Standards Authority
- Ghana Shippers Authority
- Narcotics Control Board

Technical Committee Members (Contd.):

- National Information and Technology Centre
- National Security
- Ghana Institute of Freight Forwarders
- Customs Brokers Association of Ghana
- Federation of Association of Ghanaian Exporters
- Ghana Community Network Service Limited
- West Blue Consulting

Working Group Members:

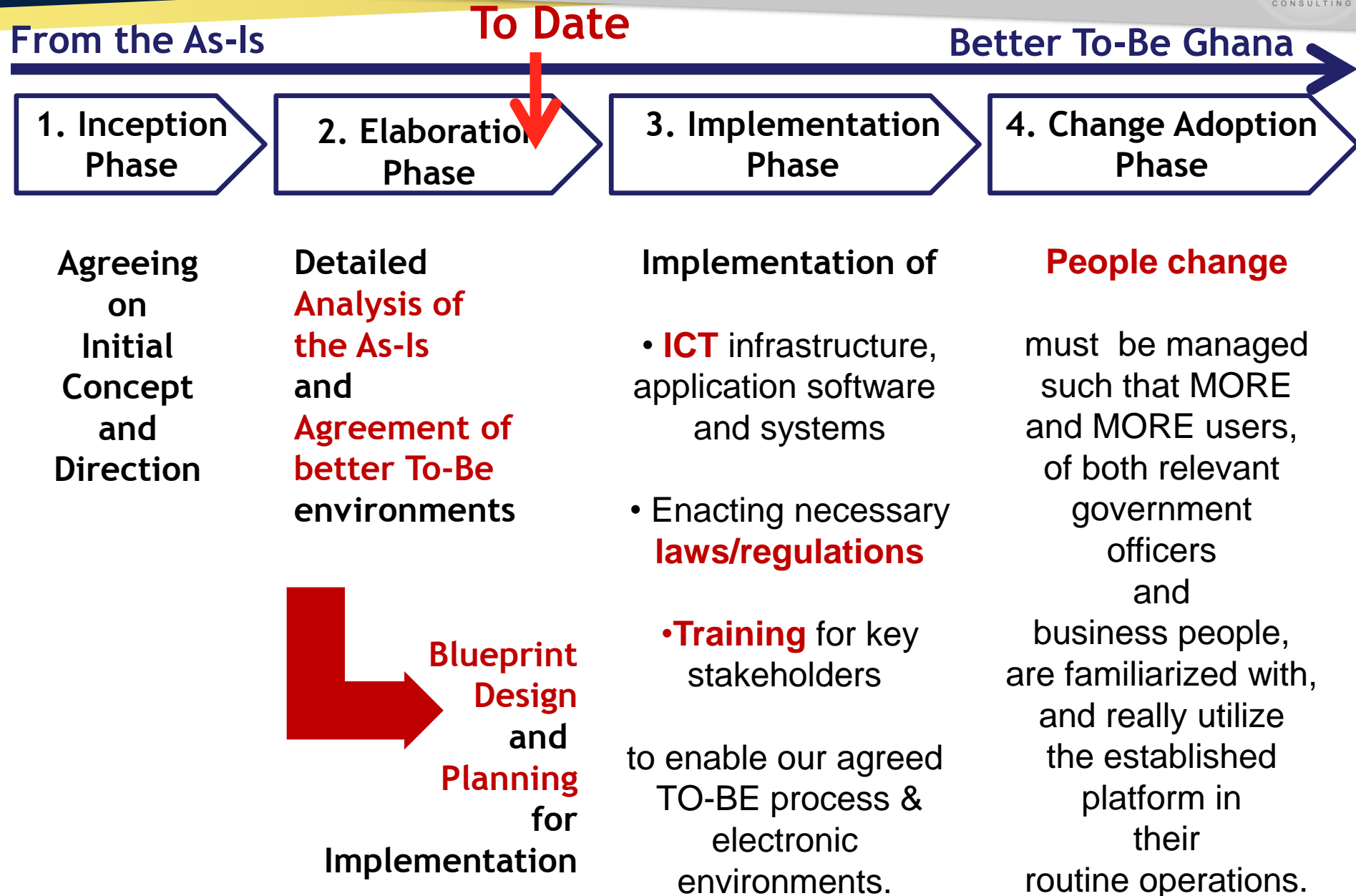
Process Owner Representatives from the Technical Committee Members as above. The Working Groups consist of 4 sub-groups of:

- Business Process and Data Harmonisation
- Change Management and Stakeholder Engagement
- ICT and Infrastructure
- Legal

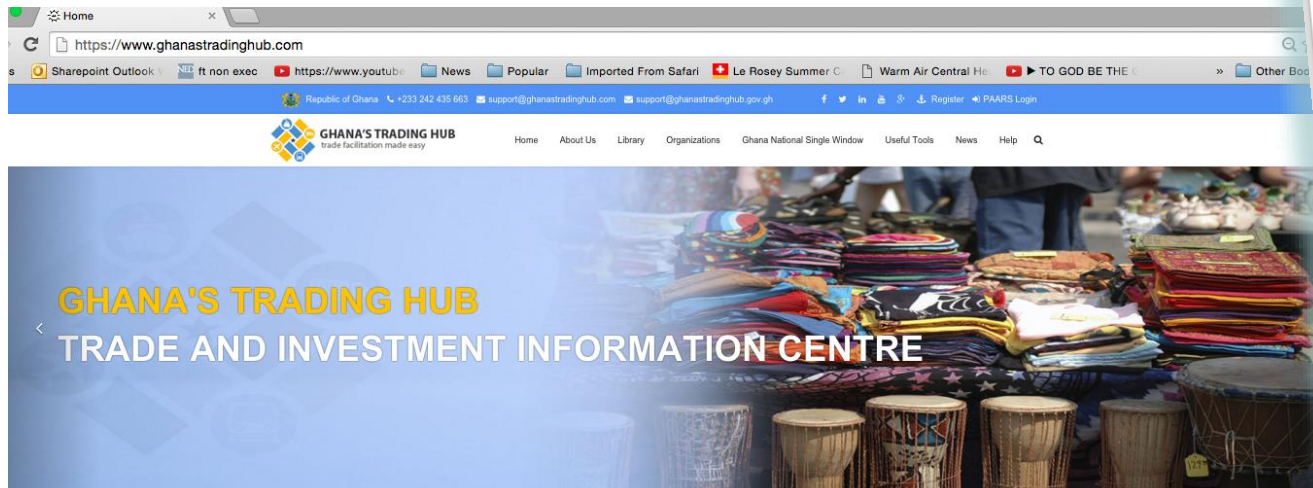
STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AT ALL LEVELS, TO ENSURE A NATIONAL SINGLE WINDOW ALIGNED TO INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS AND FIT FOR PURPOSE....






GOVERNMENT AGENCIES		PRIVATE SECTOR	
1	Food and Drugs Authority	31	Ghana Institute Of Freight Forwarders (GIFF)
2	Ghana Standards Authority	32	Ghana Chamber of Commerce & Industry
3	Ghana Ports & Harbour Authority	33	Ghana Association of Bankers (Barclays, HSC, Ecobank)
4	Ghana Revenue Authority		
5	Ghana Airport Company Ltd	34	Association of Ghana Industries (AGI)
6	Environmental Protection Agency	35	Ghana Union of Traders Association (GUTA)
7	Ghana Shippers Authority	36	Air Ghana Limited
8	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	37	Aviance Ghana
9	Ministry of the Interior	38	Swissport Ghana
10	National Communications Authority	39	Menzies Aviation
11	Bank of Ghana	40	Ship Owners and Agents Association of Ghana (SOAAG)
12	Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning		
13	Ministry of Trade and Industry	41	Nick TC Scan
14	Ministry of Food & Agriculture	42	Tema Container Terminal (TCT)
15	National Information Technology Agency	43	Safebond Terminal
16	Narcotics Control Board	44	DHL Express
17	National Security Adviser	45	FedEx Ghana
18	Ghana Revenue Authority	46	United Parcel Service (UPS) Ghana
19	Timber Industry Development Division	47	Aramex International Ghana
20	National Petroleum Authority	48	TNT Express Ghana
21	Tema Oil Refinery	49	Racinglink Express Ltd
22	Ghana Free Zone Board	50	Unilever Ghana
23	Ghana Investment Promotion Centre	51	SIC Insurance Company Limited
24	Minerals Commission		
25	Ghana Export Promotion Authority		
26	Cocoa Board		
27	Ministry of Transport		
28	Vehicle Licensing Authority (DVLA)		
29	Ghana Maritime Authority		
30	Ghana Immigration Service		



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USEFUL TRADE TOOLS			CURRENCY CONVERTER
 Import Classification Tool & Procedures	 Export Classification Tool & Procedures	 Duty Rate Calculator / Used Vehicle Duty Calculator	<div>Bank Of Ghana (BOG) Rates</div> <div>Conversion Type</div> <div>To Cedi</div> <div>Currency</div> <div>Australia Dollar (AUD)</div> <div>Amount</div> <div>Convert</div>

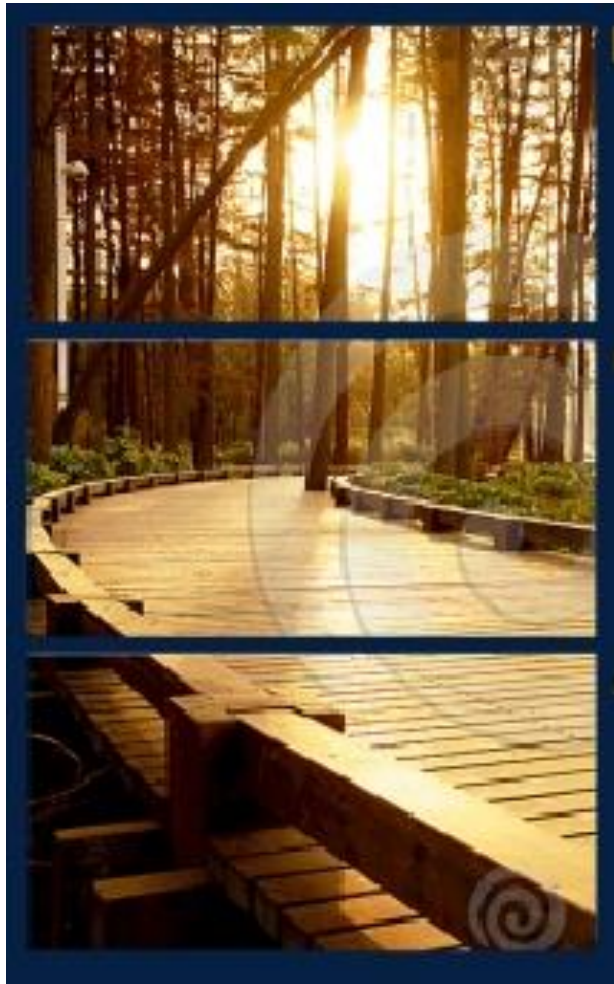
RECENT NEWS



We are
here!

- Institution and nation building
- Improved and effective collection of government revenues
- Simpler, faster processes for clearance and release
- Reduced costs of compliance
- Reduced corruption
- Reduction in bureaucratic processes
- Improved trader compliance
- Risk management techniques for control and enforcement purposes
- Coordinated Border Management and Inspections
- Predictable application and explanation of rules
- Boost to Economic Growth
- Increased Foreign Direct Investment
- Effective national Management Information System

Increased competitiveness of the national economy



EMPOWERMENT

and

CAPACITY BUILDING

Lie at the core of

REALISING THE SW NATIONAL VISION !

...and a good map helps!

THANK YOU!

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