



GTI Greater Tumen Initiative

Workshop on Cross-border Trade Facilitation and Single Window Implementation in North-East Asia

Background and Expectations

Background

- Project jointly proposed by Vladivostok Branch of the Russian Customs Academy and ESCAP
- Approved by GTI in January 2017
- Objectives
 - Assess current practices of information exchange on the goods conveyed at cross-border checkpoints between trading community and the customs authorities among GTI countries
 - ii. Formulate a proposal for a possible GTI Single Window environment

Expectation setting

Input

- relevant cross-border agencies from GTI
- international expertise
- experience
 from other
 regions



Output

- Workshop report on progress and challenges of trade facilitation initiatives

- Draft Action Plan on cross-border trade facilitation and single window for GTI subregion

Outcome

enhanced
 capacity of
 GTI agencies

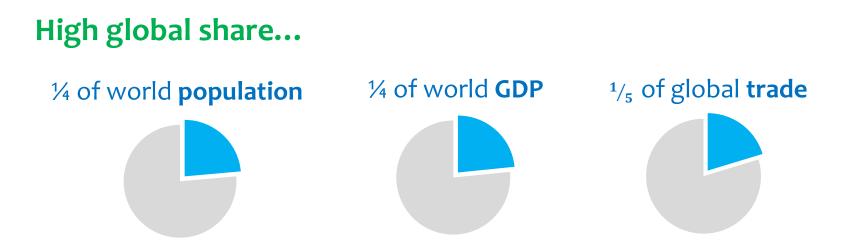
- efficiency improvements from GTI cooperation Workshop on Cross-Border Trade Facilitation and Single Window Implementation in Northeast Asia (12 – 13 April 2017, Vladivostok)

State of Play in Paperless Trade and Trade Facilitation in Northeast Asia

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Profile of Northeast Asia (ENEA)



... but relatively less integrated than others.

	ENEA	ASEAN	EU	NAFTA
share in global trade (%)	20.3%	6.7%	32.0%	15.2%
trade within the subregion (%)	21.3%	24.3%	62.8%	41.9%

Source: ESCAP (2017). Unlocking the Potential for East and Northeast Asian Regional Economic Cooperation and Integration. Available online via <u>http://www.unescap.org/subregional-office/east-north-east-asia/resources</u>

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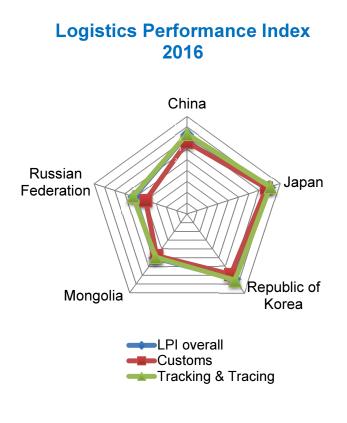
- Diversity in terms of export profile and trade dependence
- Greater integration among China, Japan and Republic of Korea; but three-way division of labor falling
- Low level of institutionalized economic integration
- Trends and prospects:
 - Threats of uncertainty, continued slowdown, rising protectionism (use of non-tariff measures)
 - Opportunities from innovation-driven strategies; initiatives promoting connectivity, establishment of economic corridors, FTAs and increasing role of SMEs

Trade Facilitation in Northeast Asia

towards efficient and seamless supply chains

- ENEA countries among frontrunners in international supply chain connectivity – efficiency in trade procedures
- China and Republic of Korea among top performers
- Russian Federation improved by >30% (between 2009-15) – liner shipping improvements

Sources: ESCAP Asia-Pacific Trade and Investment Report 2015; ESCAP International Supply Chain Connectivity Index.

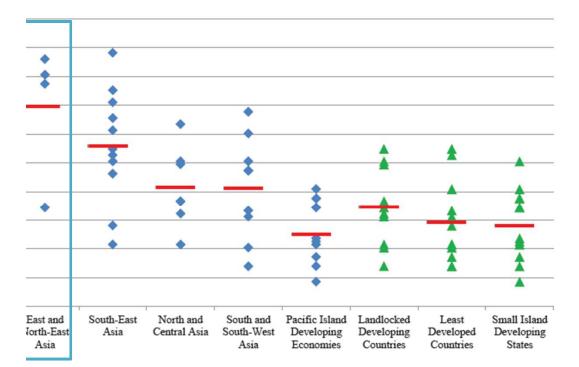






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mplementation of trade facilitation measures





tation implementation of individual economies (percentage)

ade facilitation implementation of the group (percentage)

lementation in various subregions in Asia-Pacific. In this figure, Russian Federation is part of NCA. sed on a set of 31 trade facilitation measures and spanning all five categories of measures from r paperless trade.

√ Regional Commissions Trade Facilitation and Paperless Trade Implementation Survey 2015.