



TRADE RELATED TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT 2

BRIEF ACTIVITY REPORT

Co-operation that counts

Activity Title:	Enhanced Customs Transit System (ECTS) Workshop on Service Provider Accreditation
Component:	Rapid Response Facility (RRF)
Activity Number:	1
Dates:	2-3 September 2010
Partner Agency:	Bureau of Customs (BoC)



Bureau of Customs Commissioner Reynaldo Nicolas (inset) leads the discussion on the Enhanced Customs Transit Workshop on Service Provider Accreditation.



Dr. Benedikt Madl, Programme Manager for Trade of EUD, addresses the twenty-six workshop participants of the first activity funded under the Rapid Response Facility (RRF) of TRTA.

Outcomes:	<p>The specific outputs of the workshop were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final list of criteria for Electronic GPS-equipped Customs Barrier Seal Service Provider (EGBSSP) who will supply Electronic GPS-equipped Customs Barrier Seal (EGBS); • final draft of Terms of Reference of EGBSSP; • final draft of the flow chart on the accreditation process; • acceptable Scoring system for ranking proposals; and, • final draft of Service Level Agreement with all critical elements identified
Objective:	<p>Finalize the accreditation documents and procedures to be used for the actual accreditation of Electronic GPS-equipped Customs Barrier Seal (EGBSSP)</p> <p>Background: The TRTA 2 technical assistance activities on customs transit implemented last year have resulted to the issuance of Customs Administrative Order (CAO) 4-2010 and Customs Memorandum Order (CMO) 24-2010 by the Department of Finance (DOF) and the Bureau of Customs (BOC) to implement the Enhanced Customs Transit System (ECTS). One of the requirements of ECTS is the accreditation of Electronic GPS-equipped Customs Barrier Seal (EGBSSP) that will supply the required number of Electronic GPS-equipped Barrier Seal (EGBS) including the monitoring system for the BOC.</p>
Methodology:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plenary session with STE facilitating the discussion. All participants served as resource persons. • Each draft material was considered and discussed on a section-by-section basis with agreed on revisions incorporated directly into the draft before proceeding to the succeeding section. • Prior to the workshop proper, the STE oriented and discussed with the participants the relevant provisions of CAO 4-2010 and CMO 24-2010, particularly the procedures for accreditation of EGBSSP.
Number of Participants and Profile:	26 participants (BOC's Customs Transit Technical Working Group and Accreditation Committee (AC) as well as other concerned Bureau officials)
Resource-persons/facilitators:	Dr. Bienvenido P. Alano, Jr. (Short Term Expert (STE) on CEGBSSP) Ms. Ma. Cecilia V. Reyes (Key Expert 6)

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