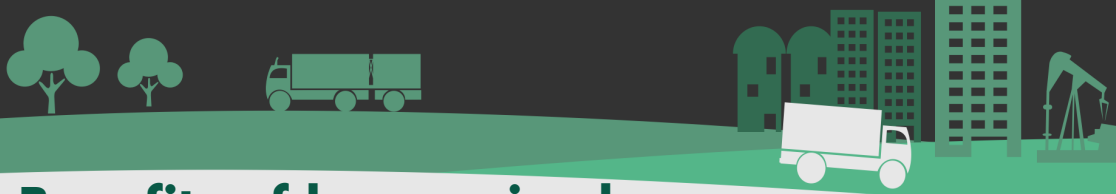


Importance of key trade and transport facilitation conventions for the LLDCs



Benefits of harmonized international regulatory framework for transit cooperation

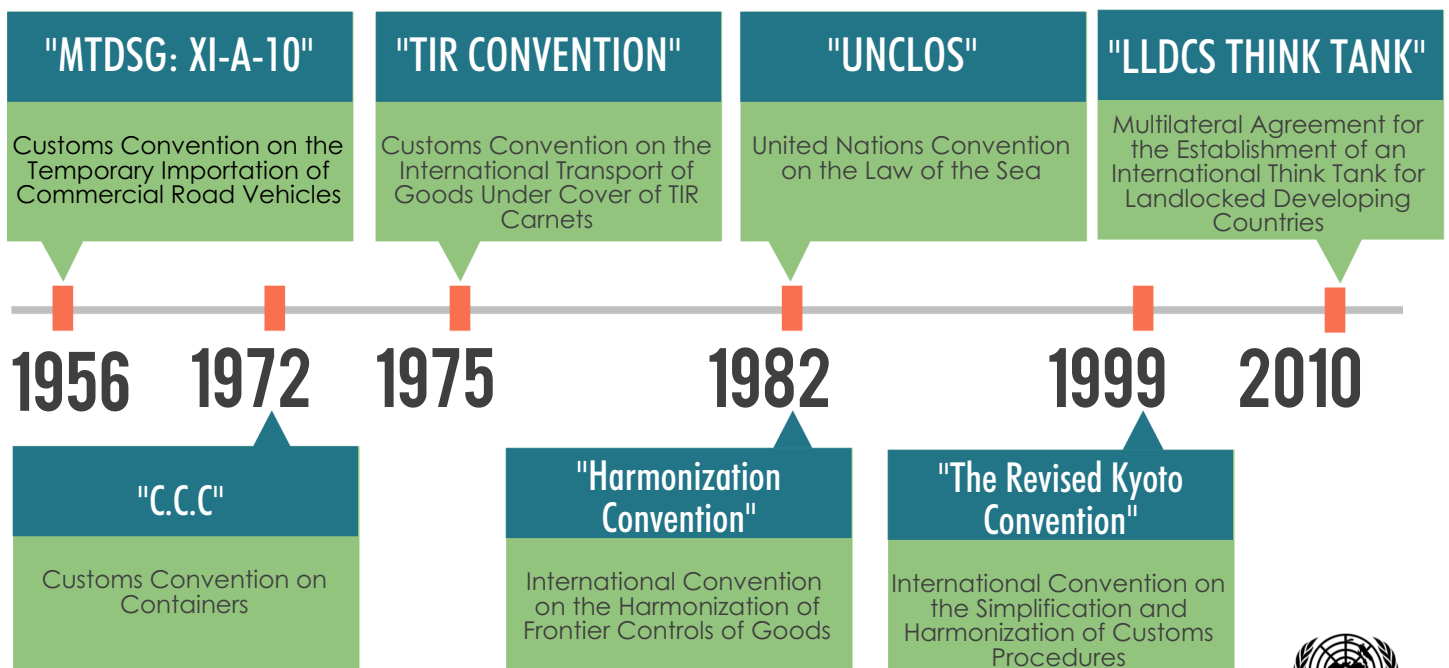
- ✔ Basis for bilateral transit and further cooperation between countries
- ✔ More efficient and effective border and customs controls
- ✔ Simplified and standardized procedures
- ✔ Internationally recognized transit documents and guarantees
- ✔ Faster, safer and more reliable transport
- ✔ More transparency
- ✔ Enhanced cooperation
- ✔ Trade facilitation measures

Lower transport costs

Fewer delays

More trade

Key Trade and Transport Facilitation Conventions



Steps for a State to become a party to international conventions



Sign the convention

newly adopted conventions are open for signature for a set period of time following its adoption



Undertake the domestic process

of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession to the convention in accordance with national legal procedures and modification, if need be, of national laws, regulations and administrative instructions in line with the provisions of the Convention

Deposit the instrument

of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession with the Treaty Section of the Office for Legal Affairs of the UN in New York, which discharges the depositary functions of the Secretary-General



The instrument must be signed by the Head of State, Head of Government or Minister for Foreign Affairs



The original may be sent to the Treaty Section by mail or courier



The Treaty Section accepts a signed copy of the instrument, provided that the original is sent to the Section as soon as possible thereafter



With the entry into force of the convention, **enjoy the rights** of the convention and become bound by the obligations relating to its implementation



The **2016 Treaty Event**, held 19-23 September 2016, will mark a special occasion and ceremony for the signing of multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General, or for the deposit of the instruments relating to such treaties (ratification, acceptance, approval, accession, etc.).

At this event, on the margins of the general debate of the 71st UN General Assembly, several conventions will be highlighted for accession, including the International Convention on the Harmonization of Frontier Controls of Goods, the Customs Convention on the International Transport of Goods under Cover of TIR Carnets, the Customs Convention on Containers, the Customs Convention on the Temporary Importation of Commercial Road Vehicles and the Multilateral Agreement on the International Think Tank for LLDCs (LLDCs only), among others.

Member States are urged to take advantage of this opportunity to ratify, accept, approve or accede to these and/or other international conventions.

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