

# Trade Procedures Facilitation Domain

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## Background Information

This Domain concentrates on the business processes, commercial practices and official procedures involved in the international trade transactions. Using the Buy-Ship-Pay (International Supply Chain Reference Model), the Domain covers all aspects of end-to-end transactions from initial sales contract to final settlements.

ITPD is the successor of the TBG15 "International Trade Procedures Working Group" and GE2 of Working Party 4.

## Scope

The work of the Domain is divided into three main areas:

- The maintenance of existing UNECE trade facilitation recommendations;
- The development of new trade facilitation recommendations; and
- New initiatives, techniques and tools to facilitate international trade transactions.

Further work of the Domain includes:

- Ensuring that recommendation projects being developed in UN/CEFACT (within and outside of the ITP-PDA) are keeping trade facilitation in view;
- Ensuring that recommendation projects being developed in UN/CEFACT (within and outside of the ITP-PDA) are compliant with all published and approved UNECE trade facilitation recommendations; and
- Acting as a focal point for any questions related to recommendation development within UN/CEFACT.

## Active Projects

- [Business Requirements Specification for Digital Product Conformity Certificate Exchange - High-level Process](#)
- [Digitization transit accompanying documents - Document requirements for goods in transit](#)
- [Facilitating Export Control and Compliance Procedures](#)

## Related Deliverable

- Recommendation N°1 – United Nations Layout Key for Trade Documents
- Recommendation N°4 – National Trade Facilitation Bodies
- Recommendation N°6 – Aligned Invoice Layout Key for International Trade
- Recommendation N°8 – Unique Identification Code Methodology – UNIC
- Recommendation N°11 – Documentary Aspects of the Transport of Dangerous Goods
- Recommendation N°12 – Measures to Facilitate Maritime Transport Documents Procedures
- Recommendation N°13 – Facilitation of Identified Legal Problems in Import Clearance Procedures
- Recommendation N°14 – Authentication of Trade Documents

- Recommendation N°15 – Simpler Shipping Marks
- Recommendation N°16 – Code for Trade and Transport Locations