



THE UNODC-WCO CONTAINER CONTROL PROGRAMME

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- Receive training by specialists from the World Customs Organization and its Member administrations.
- Understand the threats terrorism poses on maritime freight containers and the international trade supply chain.
- Familiarize yourself with the important alliance between Customs and trade as well as the delicate balance between compliance and trade facilitation.
- Experience the blended learning concept that combines onsite classroom training, followed by practical field training, e-learning modules and work-study tours.
- Effectively target illicit drug trafficking and trans-national organized crime.
- Establishment of Joint Port Control Units.

Ecuador, Senegal, Ghana and Pakistan



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World Customs Organization

The voice of the international Customs community

The World Customs Organization (WCO), with its 169 Members covering the globe, is the only international organization specialised in Customs matters, Recognized as an important role-player in the international trade environment, the WCO is particularly noted for its work in areas covering the development of standards, the simplification and harmonization of procedures, trade supply chain security, the facilitation of world trade, and sustainable capacity building initiatives.

United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

Making the world safer from drugs, crime and terrorism

Illicit drugs are a global problem with more than 200 million people abusing drugs worldwide. UNODC assists law enforcement in interdicting illicit drugs and prosecuting offenders in close co-operation with Interpol and the WCO by exchanging information on global trafficking trends and smuggling methods. Illicit trafficking is further curbed through expert training to improve interdiction and investigation techniques, supported by the provision of operational equipment.

What is the UNODC-WCO Container Control Programme?

The Container Control Programme is aimed at assisting the Governments of Ecuador, Senegal, Ghana and Pakistan to establish effective container controls that will serve to prevent drug trafficking and other illicit activity whilst facilitating legal trade. Joint Port Control Units comprising officers from different law enforcement bodies (e.g. Customs, and the police) will be created at selected ports. The programme also aims to promote the formation of alliances between the Customs, trade and enforcement communities as a joint means to prevent the abuse of legitimate commercial trade for the purposes of organized crime. Furthermore it will facilitate cooperation with relevant international agencies involved in regulating and monitoring world-wide container traffic.

The Programme has a training period of 6-weeks. This intensive course is divided into two parts. The first 3-weeks are set aside for in-depth theoretical training from technical experts working at the cutting-edge of their field, with a further 3-weeks being devoted to practical exercises onsite. At the end of the course, a work-study tour to certain ports of the major donors will be organized for selected participants.

The training will be conducted jointly by WCO specialists and the staff of Joint Port Control Units. WCO

Members will provide the two main workshop trainers, and they will be supplemented by WCO Secretariat experts who will deal with specific topics. Presentations are also expected to be made by representatives from the UNODC, Interpol and the respective WCO Regional Intelligence Liaison Office located in the region.

To develop the skills required to establish and maintain sustainable Joint Port Control Units, the workshop will focus on an array of international instruments and tools developed by the WCO and UNODC. These include the WCO SAFE Framework of Standards to Secure and Facilitate Global Trade, the WCO Global Information and Intelligence Strategy, the WCO Customs Enforcement Network (CEN), the WCO Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance on Customs Matters (Johannesburg Convention), the revised WCO Convention on the Simplification and Harmonization of Customs Procedures (revised Kyoto Convention), the WCO Columbus Programme which is aimed at building capacity in Customs to facilitate implementation of the SAFE Framework of Standards, the UN Convention against Trans-national Organized Crime, the UN Convention against Corruption, the UN Convention against Illicit Trafficking in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, and pivotal UN Resolutions issued by its Counter-Terrorism Committee.

This joint UNODC/WCO programme follows earlier joint projects aimed at improving controls at African Seaports and the interception of drugs via the mail.



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What are the benefits of the Programme?

The Container Control Programme provides a comprehensive basis for Joint Port Control Units to exchange information and intelligence, and use risk assessment and targeting techniques to identify high-risk consignments for law enforcement scrutiny without hindering the free flow of legitimate trade. Recipients may expect to:

- Build technical understanding and expanded expertise in core areas, such as risk management, intelligence, ITC systems, external relations, trade partnerships, legislation, integrity, port security, concealment methods, and ship rummaging.
- Engage in highly participative group discussions, team work and case studies whilst exploring relevant issues.
- Gain efficient understanding to be able to apply modern control measures that secure borders and comply with existing supply chain security standards.
- Be introduced to WCO, UNODC and other trade and law enforcement related conventions, instruments, best practice approaches and useful reference materials that can assist the work of the Joint Port Control Units.
- Gain an understanding of sustainable capacity building programmes.

The workshop is targeted at:

- Officials from Customs, the Police, Border Guards, the Public Prosecutors Office, seaport authorities, and other relevant agencies.
- Private sector representatives involved in any of the areas under discussion may also attend the workshop as observers.

Focus of the training workshop

As well as talk-sessions from technical specialists, participants will have the opportunity to test their knowledge,

develop their understanding, and hone their skills, through a series of group discussions, team work, case studies and field activities. Trainers will also be readily available to answer any questions posed.

Tuition will involve the following topics:

- An introduction to the crucial role of the WCO and the UNODC.
- The WCO Customs Enforcement Network (CEN) and the WCO's e-Learning program dealing with risk management, standardized risk assessments (SRA) and the intelligence-led approach.
- The WCO Columbus Capacity Building Programme.
- The WCO SAFE Framework of Standards to Secure and Facilitate Global Trade.
- Good governance and integrity.
- The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) programme.
- Mutual administrative assistance at the international, regional and national levels.
- Intelligence, information exchange, risk analysis and targeting.
- The WCO Regional Intelligence Liaison Offices (RILO's).
- Topical UN Conventions and Resolutions.
- Regional and international threats and trends.
- Pre-clearance and clearance processes linked to targeting high-risk containers.
- The basic principals of Post Clearance Audits (PCA).
- Maritime and port security.
- A Special Business Partner day, highlighting the important partnership between Customs and business with respect to the WCO SAFE Framework of Standards.
- Practical sessions relating to searching containers and commercial vehicles, as well as rummaging ships.



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