What is IMPACCT?

Addressing the challenges in importation and customs clearance processes for humanitarian relief aid

08 November 2023
## Governance

**Network of 11 strategic partners**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>World Customs Organisation</th>
<th>Help Logistics</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>International Humanitarian City</td>
<td>World Bank</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UNCTAD</td>
<td>ITU</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IFRC</td>
<td>Global Logistics Cluster</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Save the Children</td>
<td>MSF-Belgium</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OCHA</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Strategic objectives for 2020-2025

1. High-level policy initiatives: Contributing to the development of high-level policy recommendations and international legal frameworks

2. Global outreach and communications: Building increased awareness through outreach, coordination and networks

3. Technical and technological support: Supporting the use of technology and other systems that enhance and streamline cross-border processes for humanitarian aid
Strategic objectives for 2020-2025

4. Training and capacity building: Partnering to increase the availability and quality of training materials and opportunities for humanitarian partners

5. Support to disaster response efforts: Sharing information and making available key disaster relief importation information for response efforts

6. Country specific activities: Implementing tailored country-specific activities to increase the preparedness of governmental regulatory agencies and humanitarian partners
Strategic objectives for 2020-2025

High-level policy initiatives: Contributing to the development of high-level policy recommendations and international legal frameworks.

- Recommendation No. 44: Cross-Border Facilitation Measures for Disaster Relief (2021)
- WCO Guidelines on disaster management and supply chain continuity (2021)
Global outreach and communications: Building increased awareness through outreach, coordination and networks.

- WCO – Regional Conferences of Directors General of Customs
- WTO – Panel on Disaster Preparedness: A View from the Border
- HNPW since 2013
- WCO – Conference on “Enabling Customs in fragile and conflict-affected situations”
- Global Logistics Cluster – Member of the Preparedness Working Group
- WCO online regional workshops on disaster management and supply chain continuity
- Briefings / presentations (Airlink, MSF, Medair, etc)
Strategic objectives for 2020-2025

3. Technical and technological support: Supporting the use of technology and other systems that enhance and streamline cross-border processes for humanitarian aid.

- Development of the technical specifications of ASYREC.
- Implementation of ASYREC in Vanuatu
- Digitalization.
Training and capacity building: Partnering to increase the availability and quality of training materials and opportunities for humanitarian partners.

Introductory Importation and Customs Processes e-course
Participants; 1,635 (English); 522 (French)
Spanish version: soon
Strategic objectives for 2020-2025

5

Support to disaster response efforts: Sharing information and making available key disaster relief importation information for response efforts.
Strategic objectives for 2020-2025

Country specific activities: Implementing tailored country-specific activities to increase the preparedness of governmental regulatory agencies and humanitarian partners.

Where we work?

- Caribbean: Haiti – Dominican Republic - Bahamas
- Oceania: Fiji – Tonga - Vanuatu
- Americas: Honduras – Chile – Ecuador – Guatemala
- MENA region

To come:

- Bhutan
- Guinea
Country specific activities: Implementing tailored country-specific activities to increase the preparedness of governmental regulatory agencies and humanitarian partners.

STARTING POINT: Mapping of the end-to-end process to import humanitarian aid
Mapping framework for the importation and customs processes

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Stage 1: Country specifications</th>
<th>General and specific to medicines and medical equipment.</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Stage 2: Identification of stakeholders</td>
<td>involved in the importation and customs processes for MME.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Stage 3: Pre-arrival processes</td>
<td>Formal requirements prior to the arrival of the MME consignment to the country, including registration, import licenses, permits, tax exemption certificates, others, plus, processing by responsible authorities.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Stage 4: On-arrival processes</td>
<td>Formal requirements to conduct the customs declaration and clearance process once the MME consignment has arrived in the country, plus release of consignment by customs authorities.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Stage 5: Post-arrival processes</td>
<td>Formal processes following the reception of MME consignment by the importing humanitarian organization from the customs authorities.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
2024: Framework to measure the time and costs of lengthy importation and customs procedures
Strategic plan for government counterparts to address the challenges to import humanitarian aid
How do we support Member States?
Group discussions

Group 1: What does it mean to be prepared?

Group 2: What concrete activities should IMPACCT do to advance nationally led preparedness?
Thank you
Ms. Virginie BOHL
Coordinator
impacct.2021@gmail.com
virginie.bohl@wfp.org

Hosted by the Global Logistics Cluster
Funded by ECHO and GFPO