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A new tool for assessing the global state of play in the digitalization of trade procedures



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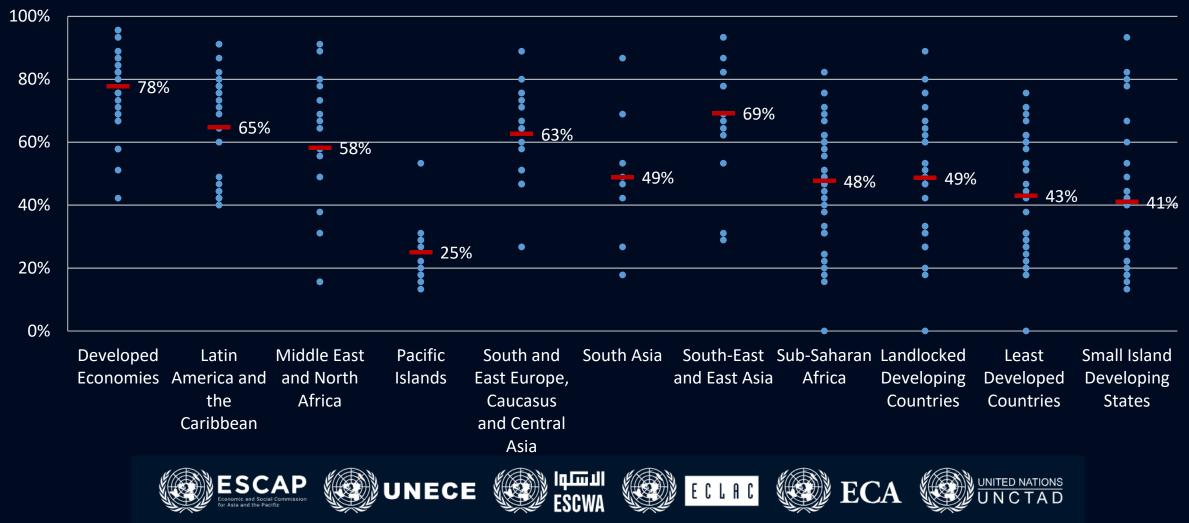
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Based on 15 "Digital Trade Facilitation" measures included in the UN Global Survey on Digital and Sustainable Trade Facilitation.

	Measures	
Paperless trade	Automated Customs System	
	Internet connection available to Customs and other trade control agencies	
	Electronic Single Window System	
	Electronic submission of Customs Declarations	
	Electronic application and issuance of import and export permit	
	Electronic submission of Air Cargo Manifests	
	Electronic application and issuance of Preferential Certificate of Origin	
	E-Payment of Customs Duties and Fees	
	Electronic application for Customs refunds	
Cross-border paperless	Laws and regulations for electronic transactions	
	Recognized certification authority	
	Electronic exchange of Customs Declaration	
	Electronic exchange of Certificate of Origin	
	Electronic exchange of Sanitary and Phyto-Sanitary Certificate	
	Paperless collection of payment from a documentary letter of credit	

TDI 2024 RESULTS - highlights

Substantial variations in trade digitalization implementation also within each region / economy group, including in LDCs, LLDCs and SIDs



TDI 2024 RESULTS - highlights

- Digitalization rates are on the rise in all regions
 - 8 percentage points average increase between 2021 and 2023
 - Above average progress in LDCs and LLDCs

Top performers in countries with special needs

- Benin (LDC)
- Uzbekistan (LLDC)
- Mauritius and Dominican Republic (SIDs)





paperless trade"

Global implementation of

'paperless trade' measures

stands at 69%; but only 46%











The CPTA: Addressing the challenges to Moving forward on Cross-border Paperless Trade



Adoption of common international standards



Harmonization of legal frameworks



Capacity gaps among the parties (infrastructure & HR)



Cooperation between public and private sectors



Lack of intergovernmental coordination mechanism

The Framework Agreement on the Facilitation of Cross-Border Paperless Trade in Asia and the Pacific (CPTA)

A UN Treaty: enabling and action-oriented

- ✓ Open to interested (53) ESCAP member states (voluntary) to become parties
- **Objective**
 - To <u>facilitate</u> cross-border paperless trade (data exchange) among willing ESCAP member states by providing a dedicated intergovernmental framework to develop legal and technical solutions
 - Complementary to the WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement (TFA) as well as (sub)regional efforts



https://www.unescap.org/projects/cpta

CPTA – Update: 5 LLDCs acceded, more expected

100% growth in number of parties in 2022 (YoY)

Kyrgyzstan and Russian Federation joined in 2023

More countries expected to join in 2024

Work on-going on:

- Model protocols for data exchange
- Identification and prioritization of pilot projects
- Capacity building (1st Paperless Trade Week held in June 2024)

Participant	Signature	Ratification, Acceptance(A), Approval(AA), Accession(a)
Armenia	22 Sep 2017	
Azerbaijan		2 Mar 2018 a
Bangladesh	29 Aug 2017	13 Oct 2020
Cambodia	29 Aug 2017	
China	29 Aug 2017	22 Nov 2020 AA
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	29 Sep 2017	29 May 2020
Kyrgyzstan		20 Dec 2023 a
Mongolia		27 Jul 2022 a
Philippines		23 Dec 2019 a
Republic of Korea		28 Nov 2022 a
Russian Federation		18 Aug 2023 a
Tajikistan		8 Dec 2022 a
Timor-Leste		5 Apr 2022 a
Turkmenistan		4 May 2022 a
Tuvalu		8 Dec 2022 a

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