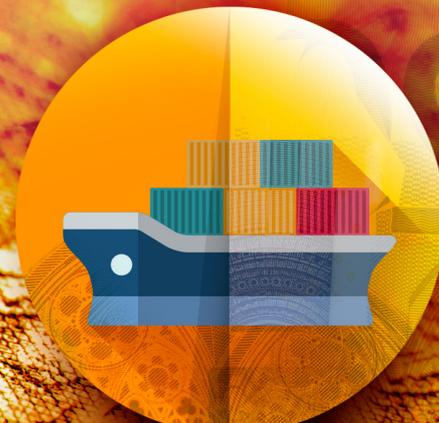




CUSTOMS PROGRAMME

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SMALL BUDGET. BIG ADDED VALUE.

The **Customs programme** supports the interconnection of customs across Europe, both electronically and on the ground. It strengthens the integrity of the **Single Market** where goods can circulate freely and protects the financial and economic interests of the Union and its Member States. Over €21 billion or 15% of the EU budget is raised through customs duties.



€950 MILLION TO INTERCONNECT EU CUSTOMS AUTHORITIES AND BETTER SERVE CITIZENS & BUSINESS

Less than 0.1% of total envelope for 2021-2027

Here's how we will continue to build on our work to improve customs cooperation in the EU:



A MODERN & INNOVATIVE CUSTOMS UNION FACILITATING TRADE

Improving the capacity of customs administrations to deal with growing trade and changing economic and working models (e-commerce, blockchain, etc.).

- *Currently, there are more than 40 European IT systems that serve businesses and national customs administrations (2140 customs offices).*
- *We are introducing the next generation of risk management systems.*
- *Growing trade depends on quick clearance of goods while maintaining appropriate controls. In 2017, EU customs handled 331 million declarations or 10 per second.*



IMPROVING COOPERATION ON THE GROUND

More support to customs authorities thanks to enhanced cooperation and training.

- *Rolling out the EU-wide work of expert teams (e.g. land borders, laboratories)*
- *Training courses to modernise the Customs Union: 828,000 customs professionals trained since 2014.*
- *Further develop common competency standards for customs officers.*



PROTECTING THE EU AND ITS CITIZENS

Better risk management to protect the EU's financial interests and to respond to security threats and cross-border crime.

- *Contribute to the EU budget through the collection of customs duties (€21.3 billion in 2017 – 15.8% of the EU budget).*
- *Increase information and data exchange between national customs administrations to better detect and prevent the flow of illicit goods.*
- *Making customs controls even more targeted. More than 2.7 million pieces of ammunition and 188,000 pieces of explosives were seized in the EU in 2017.*