

This is a quick and handy summary of the most relevant course information.

1 Learning objectives

By the end of this course, you will have learned about:

- the scope of the CDS,
- the set-ups of the CDS (central, combined and hybrid) and
- the transitional provisions.

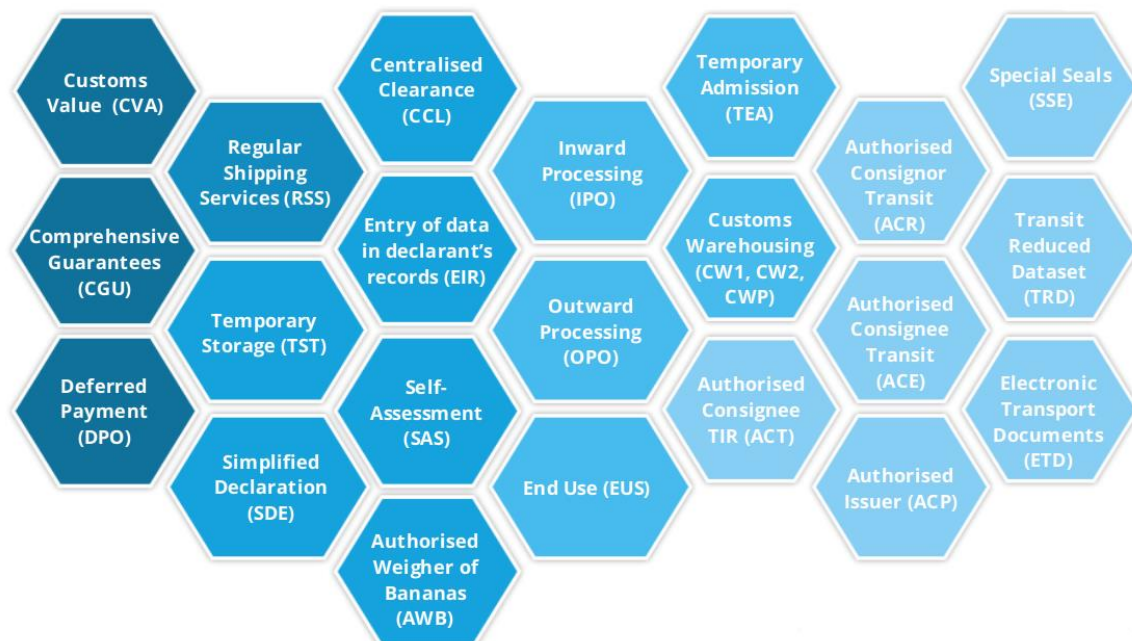
You will also have reviewed the standard customs decisions process flow.

And you will also be able to confidently use the CDS depending on your role as trader or Customs officer.

For more detailed information about customs decisions as determined in the UCC, we advise you to consult the 'UCC – Customs Decisions' eLearning course.

2 Scope of the CDS

The use of the CDS is mandatory, but is limited to the decisions related to the following 22 authorisations:

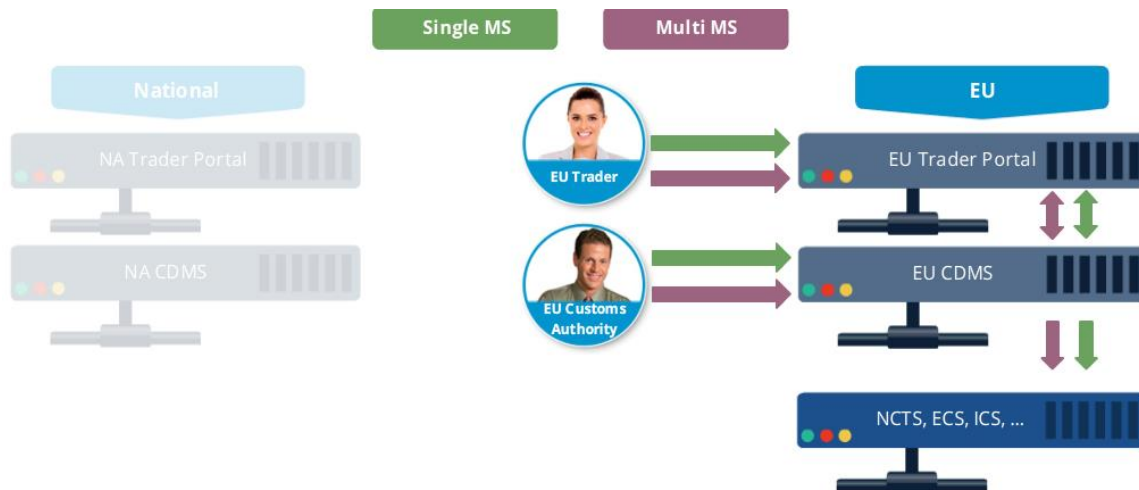


3 Set-ups of the CDS

Traders will access the CDS via the trader portal and customs officers via the CDMS. Depending on the solution chosen by the Member State, the CDS combines the EU and national systems. There are 3 possible set-ups: the central, the combined and the hybrid set-ups.

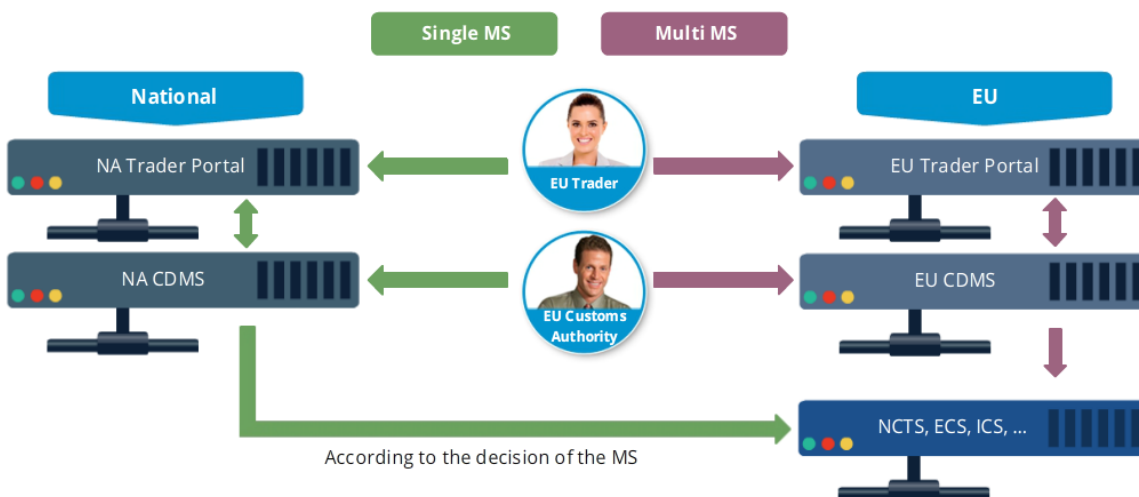
Following schemes illustrate how single Member State decisions (valid in only 1 Member State) and multi Member States decisions are dealt with in each of these set-ups.

3.1 Central



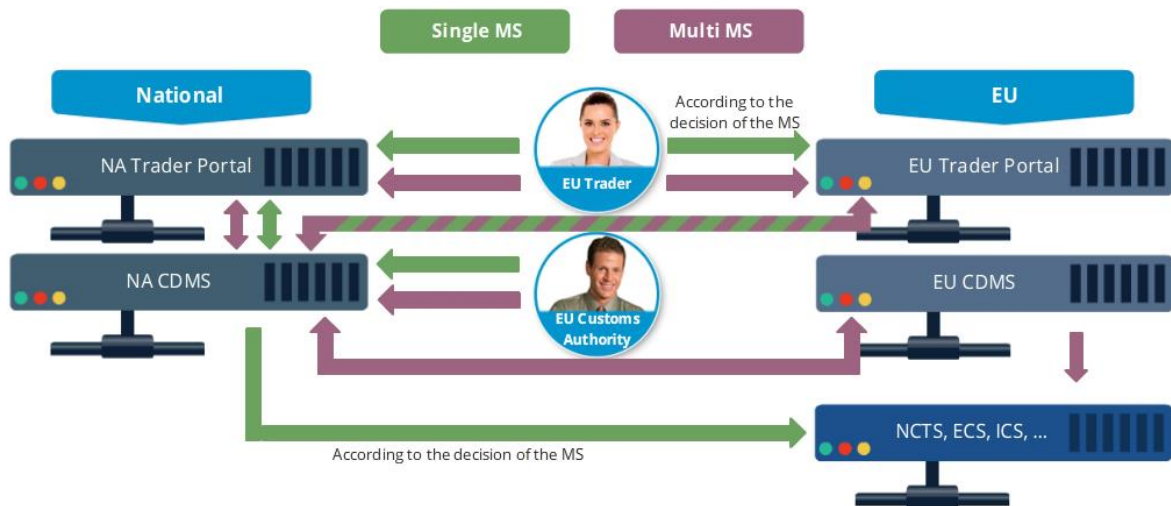
- The **national system is not used**.
- The trader will always use the EU trader portal.
- Customs officers will always use the EU CDMS.
- Consequently, all customs decisions are shared with other customs systems.

3.2 Combined



- The national and EU systems are independent from each other.
- **Single Member State** decisions must be entered and managed in the **national system**.
- Single MS decisions are shared with other customs systems according to the choice of the Member State concerned.
- **Multi Member States** decisions must be entered and managed in the **EU system**.
- Multi Member States decisions are shared with other customs systems.

3.3 Hybrid



- The **trader** may **choose** to use either the **national** or the **EU Trader Portal** for multi Member States decisions. Once the application has been entered in one of the portals (national or EU), all subsequent exchange of information is taking place in the same portal.
- **Customs officers** will always use the **national CDMS**.
- Single Member State decisions are shared with other customs systems depending on the choice of the Member State concerned.
- Multi Member States decisions are shared with other customs systems.

4 Transitional provisions

The transitional provisions are organised around these 3 key dates:

- 1 May 2016: the implementation date of the UCC;
- 2 October 2017: the implementation date of the CDS;
- 1 May 2019: the end of the transition period.

The use of the CDS will become **mandatory as of 2 October 2017**. Any application for an authorisation must be started in the CDS.

Authorisations issued before 1 May 2016 were granted based on the previous Customs Community Code. Therefore they must be **re-assessed** by the competent Customs Authority before 1 May 2019 against the conditions and criteria set in the UCC. If the **conditions and criteria are met**, they should be **revoked and re-issued** in the CDS. If the **conditions and criteria are not met**, they should be **revoked**.

Authorisations granted after 1 May 2016 comply with the UCC and must be **entered manually in the CDS system** by the competent Customs Authority before 1 May 2019. If needed, additional information must be requested to the trader to document the authorisation appropriately in the CDS.

If the **application** was **submitted before 2 October 2017**, then the procedure may be further **processed outside the CDS**. However, once a favourable decision is taken, then the **authorisation** must be **entered manually in the CDS**.

5 CDS – for traders

(through the EU Trader Portal: <https://customs.ec.europa.eu/tpui-cdms-web/>)

Apply:

- Access the EU Trader Portal
- Complete and submit the application
- Provide additional information (*Apply*)
- Application acceptance notification

Decide

- Provide additional information (*Decide*)
- Request adjustments and time extension
- Right to be heard
- Final decision notification

Manage

- Request to: Re-asses – Amend – Suspend – Revoke
- Follow-up tasks and notifications

6 CDS – for Customs officers

(through the EU CDMS: <https://ohs-service.pubvip.dc0.prod.ccn2.taxud/coui/>)

Apply:

- Access the EU CDMS
- Check the application conditions
- Request additional information (application)
- Accept/reject the application

Decide

- Verify conditions and criteria (additional steps)
- Additional information
- Extend time limit
- Consult involved Member State
- Receive response of involved Member State
- Take decision
- Create new authorisation (transitional phase)

Manage

- Re-assessment information (*provided as involved Member State*)
- Follow-up tasks and notifications
- Re-asses – Amend – Suspend – Revoke – Annul

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