

AmCham and Customs

- AmCham Customs Committee
- A system of presenting proposals and suggestions to the Government is very simple
- Cooperation with the Government and the results Customs Code 85% of presented 150 suggestions were taken into account



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- Working Group at the Georgian Revenue Agency
- Plain Language Customs Guide for businesses (The answer on 3 main questions) – www.amcham.ge
- Customs Trainings for private sector



The positive changes in Georgian Customs

- Reduction of the Import Tariffs
- New Customs Legislation
- Fighting against corruption
- Cooperation with privet sector



Problems

- Infrastructure
- Determination of the Customs Value
- Secondary legislation still needs to be improved



Free Transit

- No customs Duties
- No Customs Declaration
- Effective Guarantee System
- Simple customs clearance (almost no physical checking)
- No barriers during transportation through Georgia
- Improving transport infrastructure



New projects in Georgian Customs

- Establishment of Risk Management
- Reduction of the number of accompanying documents (copies of commercial documents will be accepted)
- Post Clearance Audit
- Instead of ASYCUDA ++ ASYCUDA World
- Gold List
- Free Industrial Zones (Poti Port)





International Treaties and Conventions

- WTO membership
- GSP, GSP + (General System of Preferences)
- WCO (World Customs Organization), TIR Convention. . . .
- Revised Kyoto and ATA Conventions to be adopted very soon



Regional Aspects (Transit through Georgia)

- Existing Transit Procedures
- What can be changed?
- cooperation with neighbor countries



In Summary . . . • Trade facilitation • Steps forward to create good investment climate • Not a single country, but the whole region.



