



THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTEGRITY DEVELOPMENT PROCES IN ALBANIAN CUSTOMS ADMINISTRATION

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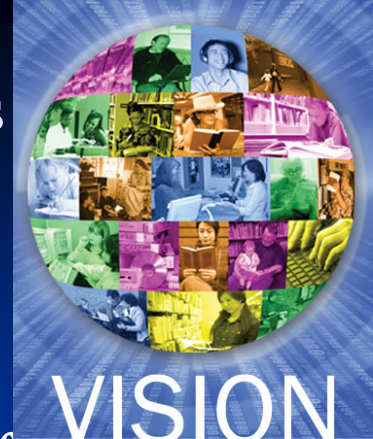


ALBANIA





Strategy of the Albanian Customs



- **THE MISSION:**

- 1. The Fiscal Mission is one of the main missions of the Albanian customs which consists in the collection of customs duties imported to the Republic of Albania.
- 2. The Economic Mission plays a special role in the protection and development of the country's economy.
- 3. The Albanian Customs, as well as those of the European countries, pay an increasingly important attention to the defense mission.

International Membership

- Member of World Customs Organization since 1992.
- Albania is member of several international conventions (TIR, ATA, CITES, WCO, etc.) and developed a strategy for Integrated Border Management with neighbouring countries. Intelligence was exchanged through SECI. Free trade agreements were concluded with EU, CEFTA and Turkey and several agreements on cooperation and mutual assistance signed.

Albanian Customs Challenges

- Aimed to accomplish its mission and obligation from international memberships
- Implementation the standards of SAFE framework
- Comprehensive modernization
- Capacity building
- Automation (computerization)
- Trade facilitation

WCO role in promoting Integrity Development Programme in Albania Customs Administration

- January 2010 – WCO in collaboration with TAIEX Experts, organized in Albania the first workshop on Ethics.
- October 2010 – WCO Integrity Development Seminar. The WCO integrity development programme relies on the principles of the Revised Arusha Declaration..

The Implementation of WCO Arusha Declaration on Integrity in Customs

- 1. Leadership and Commitment
- 2. Regulatory Framework
- 3. Transparency
- 4. Automation
- 5. Reform and Modernization
- 6. Audit and Investigation
- 7. Code of Conduct
- 8. Human Resource Management
- 9. Morale and Organizational Culture
- 10. Relationship with the Private Sector

Albanian

DIRECTOR GENERAL

DG CABINET

**INTERNAL AUDIT
DIRECTORATE**

**FOREIGN AFFAIRS
DIRECTORATE**

**ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT
DEPUTY DG**

**TECHNICAL DEPARTMENT
DEPUTY DG**

**LAW ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT
DEPUTY DG**

**HUMAN RESOURCES
DIRECTORATE**

**FINANCE
DIRECTORATE**

IT DIRECTORATE

**INVESTMENTS AND
LOGISTIC DIRECTORATE**

**PROCEDURE, PAYMENTS CONTROL
AND CUSTOMS GUARANTEES
DIRECTORATE**

**ORIGIN, TARIFF AND
EXCISE-VAT DIRECTORATE**

VALUATION DIRECTORATE

LEGAL DIRECTORATE

STATISTIC DIRECTORATE

**CHEMICAL CUSTOMS
LABORATORY
DIRECTORATE**

**ANTI-SMUGGLING AND
ENFORCEMENT DEBT RECOVERY
DIRECTORATE**

**ANTI-TRAFFIC
DIRECTORATE**

**INVESTIGATION
DIRECTORATE**

**POST-CLEARANCE
DIRECTORATE**

**INTELLIGENCE
DIRECTORATE**

**OPERATIVE CENTER
DIRECTORATE**

IPR DIRECTORATE

Code of Ethics

- The Customs Administration is regulated by the "Code of Ethics" approved by the Ministry of Finance in December 2000. The updating of this Code in line with the Code of Ethics of the World Customs Organisation is in the preparation process. The Code of Ethics defines the essential elements of the Rules of Ethics such as:
 - - Personal Responsibility;
 - - Respect for the Law;
 - - Public Relations;
 - - Acceptance of gifts, rewards and various invitations;
 - - Conflicts of Interest;
 - - Public Activities;
 - - Conduct in violation cases;
 - - Confidential Information;
 - - Use of equipment;
 - - Purchase of objects belonging to the state for private purposes;

Approximation of legislation with the *Acquis Communitaire*

- Upon approval from the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Albania, the Austrian-Polish Consortium has start to implement the twinning project "Support provided in compliance with the customs procedures and European standards", funded by the IPA 2008 Program, whereupon the Customs Administration, started preparing a new draft Customs Code of the Republic of Albania in complete compliance with “The modernized Customs Code

Transparency

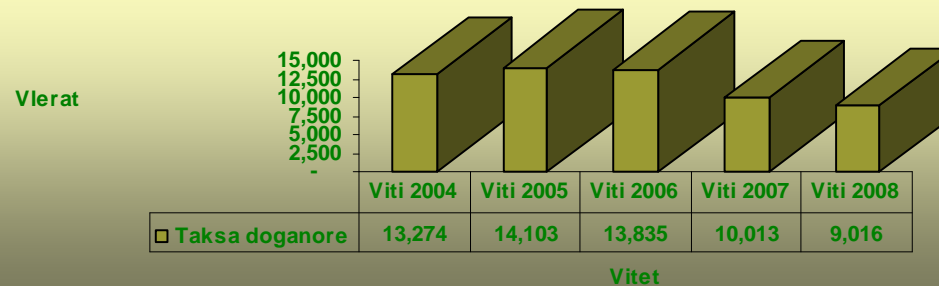
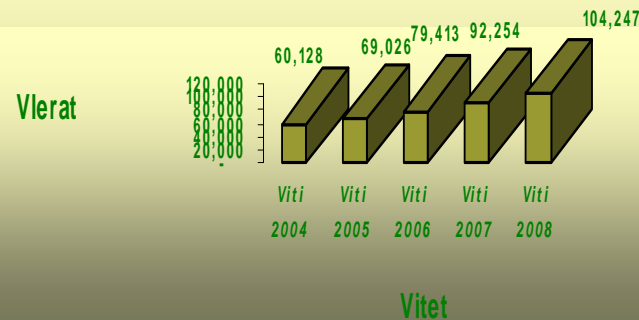
- ✚ The entire necessary documentation is published in the web site of the Customs www.dogana.gov.al.
- ✚ The business is constantly kept informed on the Agreement, rules and profits deriving format.
- ✚ Written instructions have been prepared and sent to the Custom Houses
- Fight against corruption:
Green Number 0800 22 22
- Email antikorrupsion@dogana.gov.al

Automatization (Computerization)

- *ASYCUDA World is now fully operational in the Albanian Customs Administration*
In all computerised customs offices ;
 - 100% declarations are processed through ASYCUDA
 - 100% DTI
 - all customs regimes are implemented, including Transit and Warehousing
 - customs officers are allocated for physical inspection automatically by the system
 - updates of reference data (tariff etc) made in the ACA HQ are automatically available in all Customs offices
 - all customs declarations are automatically consolidated in the Customs HQ database

Revenue Collection due to Reform and modernization

Realisation of Customs Revenues in years



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Fight against corruption

- Albanian customs administration occupies an important place in the implementation of the Cross-Sector Strategy on Prevention, Fight against Corruption, and Transparent Governance, in the framework of the National Strategy for Development and Integration (NSDI), where the Albanian Customs Administration is part.

THANK YOU!

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