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## Trade Facilitation and Security: Review of Dr. A. Grainger paper

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## Security Risk in Trade Facilitation

- Timely and important topic
- Growing concern surrounding terrorism and other threats.
- Attacks on trade can have adverse impacts on an economy
- Threat of hazardous cargo to be misused and "weaponised"
- Cargo tampering and contamination

## Main reasons for security attacks

- A small percentage of containers are physically inspected for land transport
- Theft and smuggling
- Major investments needed in low-margin industry
- Lack of clearly defined responsibilities and liabilities of actors in the chain (shippers, forwarders, transport operators)
- Conflicting, unclear and overlapping jurisdictions of of national and international regulatory and oversight authorities
- Lack of uniformity in the rules and their application for making transactions in different parts of the world/countries
- Lack of common standards
- Missing link between security and throughput

#### Trade Facilitation

- Key pillar of global economy and of individual development of countries.
- Trade and Transport Facilitation provides important benefits:
  - Increase trade competitiveness through better logistics, border management, and availability of services for overall improved supply chain performance.
  - Result is better cash flow, lower risk, just in time delivery, and more market opportunities (volume and diversification).

## Key Issues

- Correct balance between trade security measures in a way that these do not impair international trade flows.
- Extent to which countries take a step backwards from trade facilitation they have implemented, by giving the companies an increasingly complex set of regulations to comply with and by customs authorities increasing their controls.

# "Trade Facilitation and Security" Dr A. Grainger

- Thoroughly describes current trade and custom procedures
- Develops strong arguments to support the conclusion that more emphasis on risk management is called for, as opposed to procedures.

## Trade and Customs Procedures by Dr. A. Grainger

- Thorough review of trade and customs procedures for imports and exports for both cases of landlocked and non-landlocked countries.
- Direct and interesting comparison between the two types of countries
- Transparency, standardization and harmonization of import, export and transit formalities and information flows.

## **Trade Compliance**

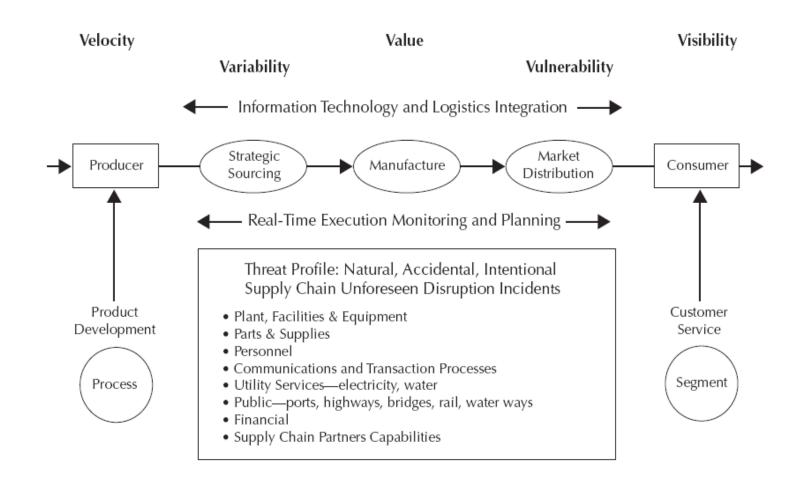
- Cost of Trade Compliance should explored between the government and the key players in the entire logistic supply chain, as presented by Dr. A. Grainger:
  - Traders
  - Transport operators

- Providers of trade services, such as banking, finance and insurance;
- Operators of transport infrastructure
- Freight forwarders, shipping agents and logistics service providers.
- How do compliance costs affect the final product price?
  - For example, in the case of higher security costs, are insurance costs reduced, and, thus the regulatory compliance costs are set off by such decrease?

## Security Risks and Regimes

- Systematic understanding of risks and security within international trade operations is essential.
- As supply chains become more complex due to global sourcing, supply networks, disintegration/fragmentation, and continuing trend to "lean down" operations, the supply chain vulnerability to disruption risks increases and hence the need to mitigate those risks.
- Explore the challenges in a supply chain network.
- Explore the different effect of security regimes on the individual actors:
  - Shippers, Traders and representatives
  - Transport operators
  - Ports

#### Supply Chain Network-The Challenges



## Security Categories and Objectives

- Identify a list of involved stakeholders for each security category (described by Dr. A. Grainger), as well as impacts and related costs.
- Consider "Location" specific category identifying critical infrastructure.
- Fair amount of work has been carried out in the security sector with regards to identifying and protecting critical infrastructure.
  - According to Executive Order 13010 (12), critical infrastructure is defined as "Infrastructures so vital that their incapacitation or destruction would have a debilitating impact on defence or economic security"

#### What Constitutes Critical Infrastructure Over Time

Infrastructure	Criteria for	for Being Considered Critical. Vital to			
	national defence	economic security	public health and safety	national morale	
telecommunications information networks	X	X			
energy	X	X			
banking / finance		X			
transportation	X	X			
water			X		
emergency services			X		
government			X		
health services			X		
national defence	X				
foreign intelligence	X				
law enforcement			X		
foreign affairs	X				
nuclear facilities in addition to power plants			X		
special events				X	
food / agriculture			X		
manufacturing		X			
chemical			X		
defence industry	X				
postal / shipping			X		
national monuments / icons				X	

Source: Noteff, J. Copeland, C. and Fisher, J. Critical Infrastructures: What Makes an Infrastructure C. 1912 Report for Congress, No 31556, Congressional Research Service, The L. 1915 Congress, 2002.

### Port: An Interdependent System

- Indicative example of the diversity of risk perceptions.
- Character of the port: a dynamic nodal point in the entire supply chain is further
- Higher security risk related to the interaction of all the different actors involved.
- Is the implementation of ISPS code solving security issues? How impacts the trade flows?
- Two additional concepts:
  - Secure Trade Lane
  - Supply Chain Resilience

## Secure Trade Lane Concept

- Secure trade lane : end-to-end secure logistics supply chain solution
  - Physical goods and container verification at the point of origin and destination
  - Provision of validated Advanced Cargo Information and Documentation
  - Secure information capture for onward transmission
  - Securing container integrity
  - Multi-point in-transit interventions (spot checks)
  - Container tracking and visibility
  - Non-intrusive inspection

Credentialing/ training of logistics/warehousing personnel

## Supply Chain Resilience

- Critical to uninterrupted trade and counteracting the vulnerability of supply chains.
- "The ability of a supply chain system to reduce the probabilities of disruptions, reduce the consequences of those disruptions, and reduce the time to recover normal performance".
- Identify management best practices and harmonised counteract measures that could be useful for resilience implementation in a number of critical sectors supply chains.

## Methodology for a supply chain security resilient system

- Identification of required elements of a prestandardisation framework for Supply Chain Resilience Management System services standard, adapted for the critical industry sectors.
- Proposed Steps:
  - Realisation of a guide of good supply chain resilience practices
  - Testing/analysis of different threat scenarios
  - Identification of the supply chain resilience harmonisation needs
  - Identification of further research needs in the domain of Supply Chain
  - Resilience Management System and
  - Editing of standardisation business plan

## Logistic Performance Index (LPI)

- World Bank six indicators for Logistic Performance Index (LPI)
  - Efficiency of the customs clearance process
  - Quality of trade and transport-related infrastructure.
  - Ease of arranging competitively priced shipments.
  - Competence and quality of logistics services.
  - Ability to track and trace consignments.
  - Frequency with which shipments reach the consignee within the scheduled or expected time.
  - It would beneficial to explore adding a new indicator: security