



**World Customs
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Role of NCTFs in LLDCs

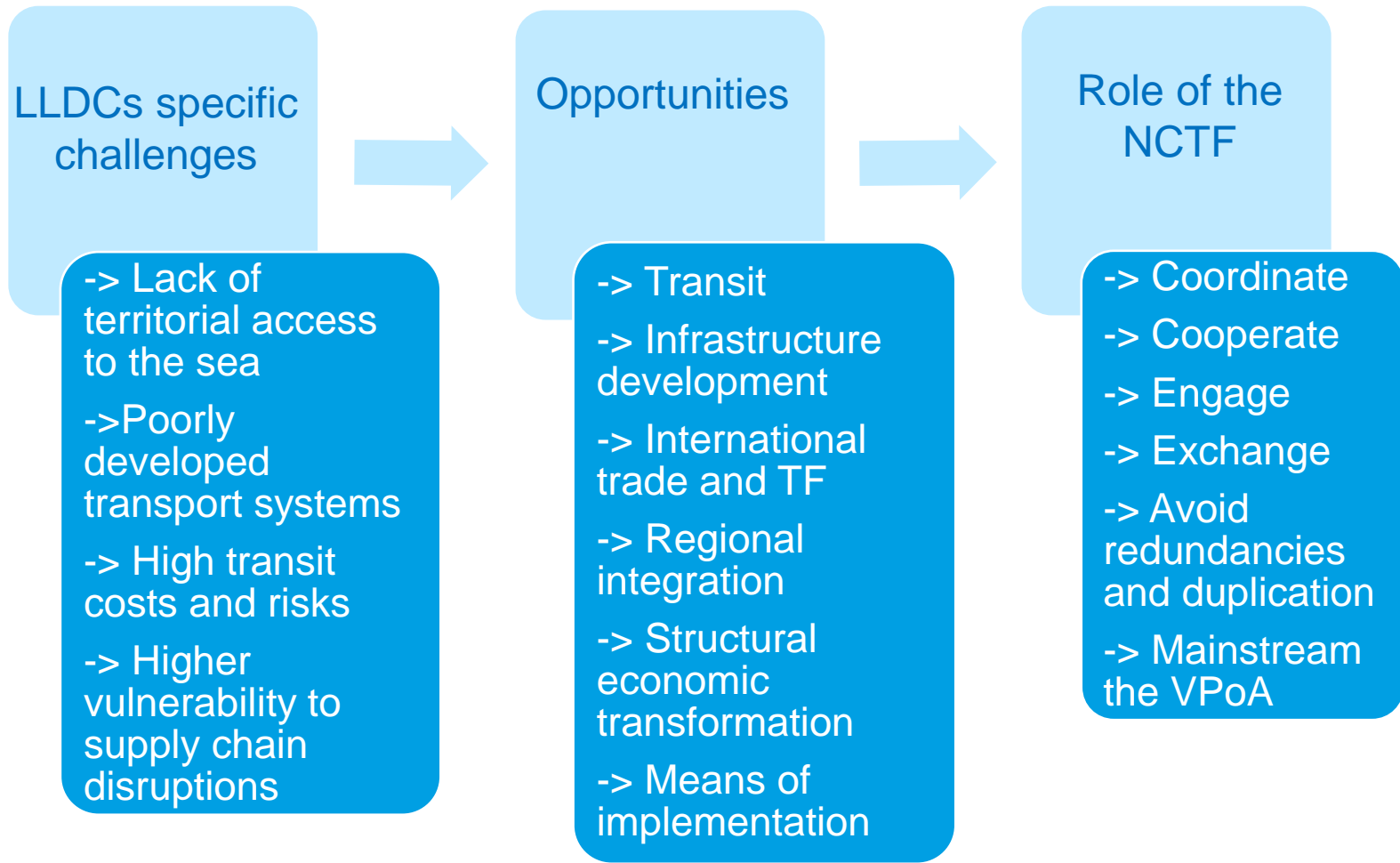
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Key areas of focus

- Trade facilitation
- Transit
- Digitalization and use of advanced technologies



Trade facilitation



What is key

- Transparency and predictability
- Border agency cooperation
- Freedom of transit
- Coordination through the NCTF

What the WCO can offer:

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Mercator Programme
A Navigational Map for Trade Facilitation

- Overall track – RKC and a myriad of other tools
- Tailor-made track – capacity building

- WCO Guide on NCTFs and
a dedicated Secretariat Note of 2021



Transit

What is key

- Efficient exchange of information
- Efficient guarantee system
- Efficient security measures

Some good practices:

- ✓ EU NCTS
- ✓ Interconnectivity of transit systems in West and Central Africa – SIGMAT project
- ✓ TIR system
- ✓ COMESA Guarantee scheme
- ✓ RECTS of Uganda, Kenya, Rwanda and DRC

What the WCO can offer:

- Transit Guidelines
- Compendium of best practices in the area of transit
- **NEW** Railway Guidance
- Capacity Building support



Digitalization and use of advanced technologies

What is key

- Automation of Customs processes
- Deployment of advanced technologies
- Interoperability of solutions
- Use of global standards

What the WCO can offer:

- International standards – WCO Data Model, UFF
- Study reports – WCO-WTO paper, Study report on disruptive technologies
- Annual Technology Conference and Exhibition
- DMPT, TEG-NII
- Capacity Building support



For further reading



- Revised Kyoto Convention - http://www.wcoomd.org/en/topics/facilitation/instrument-and-tools/conventions/pf_revised_kyoto_conv.aspx
- WCO Mercator Programme - <http://www.wcoomd.org/en/topics/wco-implementing-the-wto-atf/mercator-programme.aspx>
- WCO Guide on NCTFs and 2021 Secretariat Note - <http://www.wcoomd.org/en/topics/facilitation/instrument-and-tools/tools/national-committee-on-trade-facilitation.aspx>

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- WCO Compendium of best practices in the area of transit - <http://www.wcoomd.org/en/topics/facilitation/instrument-and-tools/tools/transit-compendium.aspx>
- WCO/WTO paper on advanced technologies - <http://www.wcoomd.org/en/topics/facilitation/instrument-and-tools/tools/wco-wto-paper.aspx>



Thank you

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