



# **EUROPEAN SEMINAR 2020**

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## **EUROPEAN ISSUES UPDATE**

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# ECASBA ACTIONS/ISSUES 2020



- European Maritime Single Window environment (EMSWe)
- Customs Single Window
- Transhipment of Cargoes of Animal Origin
- Customs Developments
- Visa Procedures
- The Green Deal

# EMSWe/1 (Regulation 2019/1239)



Over the many years this project has been ongoing, ECASBA's expectations for successful Europe-wide single window regime have remained constant, that it should:

- Harmonise data
- Use existing single window/port community systems
- Ensure technology-neutral platforms
- Retain GUI data entry capability
- Share common dataset with IMO/WCO

# EMSWe/2



In our recent discussions with DG-MOVE we have been advised that the current version of the EMSWe will:

- Harmonise data
- Use existing single window/port community systems
- Ensure technology-neutral platforms
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Timeline: Data harmonisation by 2021, full implementation by 2025 ??????



# EMSWe/3



## Next Steps:

- DG-MOVE and consultants KPMG and the CGI consortium have undertaken a mapping exercise of business processes, applicable legal texts and documentation requirements
- Presentations to major industry bodies in January – ECASBA, ECSA, ESPO, FEPORT, IPCSA and WSC
- JCW and Jean-Pierre Scouarnec (France) represented ECASBA

# EMSWe/4



- Very comprehensive study (presentation ran to 90 slides), recognising most of the practical aspects of the reporting process
- Encouraging to note prior recognition of the role of the ship agent
- Opportunity to present other aspects of the role of the agent to the consultants
- Presentation this afternoon from Jukka Savo, DG-MOVE



# Customs Single Window



- Currently under development by DG-TAXUD:
- Aims to be the single point of entry for all reporting not covered by the Reporting Formalities Regulation/EMSWe
- Expects to cover customs as well as veterinary, sanitary, phytosanitary, agricultural, fisheries, environmental and others and
- incorporate existing databases such as TRACES, IMSOC etc.
- TAXUD are collaborating with, and benefiting from the work done (and pain endured!), by DG-MOVE in developing the EMSWe. Implementation is therefore expected to be faster
- Presentation this afternoon by Marco Marsili, DG-TAXUD

# Transshipment of Cargoes of Animal Origin



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  - **Allowing the use of copy documents**





# Customs Update/1 (Thanks to Hilde!)

- BREXIT
  - Possible reintroduction of customs controls and tariffs on goods between EU and UK, depending on terms of trade agreement
- PIF Directive (2017/1371/EU)
  - In force since 6<sup>th</sup> July 2019
  - Increases level of protection of the EU budget by increasing measures to prevent fraud
  - EU Public Prosecutors Office being established under Laura Codruța Kövesi (Romania)
  - Expect to be operational end 2020
  - Denmark, Hungary, Ireland Poland and Sweden have opted out of EPPO



# Customs Update/2

- Agents' Liability for Misdeclared Cargo
  - Actions in Belgium claiming more than €1 billion from shipping lines
  - Associations should take action to establish cooperation or service level agreements with national customs authorities (UCC Art. 124.7)
- ICS2
  - Will introduce multiple filings for import cargo e.g:
    - Separate filings required from the carrier for NVOCC controlled shipments at master b/lading level and by the NVOCC at house bill level
    - Introduces enlarged ENS data set including data on where carrier takes custody of goods, information on buyer and seller
  - Requires significant upgrade to IT systems at EU and MS level
  - Expected implementation for maritime transport: 2024

# Customs Update/3



- Arrival notification, Presentation notification, Temporary storage declaration
  - A new system to automate the above procedures at member state level and to support harmonisation of data exchange between customs and trade across member states
  - Collaboration between Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, France, Italy, Lithuania, Malta Romania and Sweden on technical specifications. Other states developing own systems.
- HS Codes
  - Compulsory use of 6 digit HS Codes for transit declarations under NCTS. “ETD” simplification for air and maritime transport.
  - Comes into force with NCTS 5 updates (2021 – 2023)



# Changes to Visa Procedures



- DG-HOME consulting with MS regarding changes to Annex IX of the Schengen Visa Code, which impacts on the issuing of border visas for departing seafarers
- Possible introduction from 1<sup>st</sup> February 2020 - any news?
- ECASBA raised the matter with HOME but advised that no external consultation is underway so we cannot express our views
- MT and JCW to try to meet HOME this Spring but associations should consult with their national authorities as well

# The Green Deal/1



- *“The European Green Deal is a (...) new growth strategy that aims to transform the EU into a fair and prosperous society, with a modern, resource-efficient and competitive economy where there are no net emissions of greenhouse gases in 2050 and where economic growth is decoupled from resource use”. (Com 2019/640 FINAL)*
- Commission programme to make Europe carbon-neutral by 2050
- Aims to reduce GHG emissions by 50% (from 1990 levels) by 2023 and to continue below that

# The Green Deal/2





## The Green Deal/3

- Includes potential carbon tariffs for countries that don't curtail their greenhouse gas pollution at the stated rate. It also includes:
  - a review and possible revision (where needed) of all the relevant climate-related policy instruments, including the Emissions Trading System,
  - a revision of the Energy Taxation Directive looking closely at fossil fuel subsidies and tax exemptions (aviation, shipping)
  - a sustainable and smart mobility strategy
- Estimated cost €1 Trillion over 10 years
- [https://ec.europa.eu/info/strategy/priorities-2019-2024/european-green-deal\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/info/strategy/priorities-2019-2024/european-green-deal_en)



Thank you.