



IPCSA Customs Webinar – 17th May 2021

“Is Customs maximising benefits from improved information flows to facilitate trade and ensure compliance? Views from a European and global perspective. ”

Date: 17th May 2021

Time: 14.00 to 16.00 hrs (CET, Paris Time)

Increased global competitiveness is the cause of the rise in digitalisation and automation. The Covid-19 Pandemic has reduced human intervention on the management and control of operations. The trend is to have availability of electronic data at the earliest point in time, which creates new opportunities for pre-arrival customs management of information and early release of goods. Predictive analysis used by Customs streamlines further Cross-Border activities and supports anti-fraud activities.

Future developments such as the digitisation of transport documentation for all modes of transport will make a strong and integrated approach of the control of goods possible.

Furthermore, we will take a brief look at what efforts are already being made to effectively and efficiently maintain the balance between constantly increasing demands on customs services and the fulfilment of the core mandate through digitisation initiatives.

Presentations will illustrate matters from a global and European perspective.

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- 14.00 Welcome and Introduction to IPCSCA**
 Hans Rook, Chairman, IPCSCA
- 14.15 Optimising Customs information flows enhance Trade Facilitation and ensure improved compliance. A global perspective**
 Frank Janssens, Independent International Customs Expert
- 14.45 European Union Customs Information Flows and Perspectives**
 Uwe Liebschner, Customs Expert, DBH Logistics IT AG, Germany
- 15.15 Questions and Answers Session**
 Moderated by Hans Rook, Chairman, IPCSCA
- 16.00 End of Webinar**

Moderator

Hans Rook, Chairman, IPCSCA



Hans has worked in the transport and logistics sea trade sector for 50 years. He is also one of the gurus on EDI standardisation – joining UN working groups to establish UN/CEFACT EDIFACT messages for the global sea trade industry. Hans worked for Portbase Rotterdam from its inception up until 2018 & was Portbase's senior advisor on strategic goals during which time Hans chaired the IPCSCA Standardisation and Harmonisation Committee for IPCSCA retiring from Portbase in 2018. Since 2019 Hans was appointed as IPCSCA's first independent chairman.

Presenters



Uwe Liebschner, Customs Expert, DBH Logistics IT AG, Germany - Uwe started his career within the German customs administration before moving to dbh Logistics IT AG in the private sector. Dbh operate the PCS for Bremen, Bremerhaven and Wilhelmshaven. Uwe has extensive experience and knowledge in the fields of the current developments of the Union Customs Code with regard to the implementation of IT projects and their integration into the process flows of logistics and customs clearance and represents IPCSA at the European Commission for Customs matters.



Frank Janssens, Independent International Customs Expert - Frank is a well-known international expert in the domains of streamlining Customs Procedures, Border Management and encouraging Trade Facilitation. Frank provides expertise to major International Institutions for projects in Asia, Middle East, North-Africa, and Europe. Frank sees standardisation, harmonisation, cooperation and digitisation as main drivers for progress and economic development. Frank holds a master's degree in economics and international trade and studied in Europe and the USA. Until mid-2017 Frank was Head of Unit at the European Commission responsible for reengineering the EU Customs Processes and setting-up the EU Customs Data Model.

About IPCSA

IPCSA is an international association of sea and air port community operators, sea and air port authorities and single window operators providing advice and guidance on the electronic exchange of information across borders and throughout the whole supply chain.

IPCSA focuses on supporting and facilitating systems and innovations for Port Community System members and users, and promoting the use of international data standards in sea and air ports, at border crossings and via Single Window systems around the world. IPCSA is a recognised NGO with consultative status at UNECOSOC and IMO. IPCSA also incorporates the PROTECT Group which develops and supports the electronic reporting required by Port authorities

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