**Conference on Strategic Trade Controls Enforcement**

WCO Headquarters, Brussels, Belgium

14 – 16 November 2012

**DRAFT AGENDA**

(7 November 2012)

**DAY 1: Wednesday, 14 November 2012**

08:30 – 09:30 Registration of Participants

09:30 – 10:00 **Opening session**

* Mr. Paul Campbell, Group Manager, Trade & Marine, New Zealand Customs Service
* Expert, Group of Experts of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to Res. 1540(2004) - tbc

10:00 – 10:45 **Keynote address: Why strategic trade controls and what are they?**

* Dr. Olivia Bosch, Former UN Security Council Resolution 1540 Committee Expert and former weapons inspector

*10:45 – 11:15 Coffee Break*

11:15 – 12:30 **Session 1: Overview of international legal frameworks and control regimes**

* Chemical Weapons Convention, Mr. Malik Ellahi, Head, Government Relations and Political Affairs, Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons
* Biological and Toxic Weapons Convention, Dr. Piers Millett, Deputy Head, Biological Weapons Convention Implementation Support Unit
* IAEA and its international instruments on nuclear safety and security, Mr. Ercan Saka, Nuclear Trade Analyst, State Factor Analysis Section, Department of Safeguards(SGIM-ISF), International Atomic Energy Agency
* Overview of the multilateral nonproliferation regimes and their control lists and correlation with HS codes, Dr. Sibylle Bauer, Director, Dual-use and Arms Trade Control Programme, Stockholm Peace Research Institute

*12:30 – 14:30 Lunch Break*

*13.00-14.00 Side Session*

* Maritime counter proliferation and counter trafficking strategies: current practices & future options, Mr. Hugh Griffiths, Head, Countering Illicit Trafficking–Mechanism Assessment Projects (CIT-MAP), Stockholm International Peace Research Institute
* Strategic trade controls and the information challenge, Mr. Aaron Dunne, Senior Researcher, Dual-use and Arms Trade Control Programme
* Expanding the AEO programmes to support strategic trade control compliance, Dr. Michael Beck, Senior Research Associate at the Center for International Trade and Security

14:30 – 16:00 **Session 2: Components of national strategic trade control systems**

* Overview on elements of effective strategic trade control system, Minister Carlos Hernandez, Minister Carlos Hernàndez, Alternate Permanent Representative of Argentina to the International Organizations in Vienna, Ex Director of Public Information, Provisional Technical Secretariat of the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty Organization.
* Strategic trade controls – the “Licensing view”, Mr. Georg Pietsch, Director General, Federal Office of Economics and Export Control (BAFA), Germany
* Strategic trade controls – the “Customs view”, Mr. Vivian O’Horo, Senior Policy Advisor in the Customs Enforcement Policy Team, HM Revenue and Customs, United Kingdom.
* Case study: overview of control system components in the Russian Federation, Mr. Petr Baklakov, Head of Trade Restrictions, Currency and Export Control Department, Federal Customs Service, Russia

*16:00 – 16:30 Coffee break*

16:30 – 18:00 **Session 3: Critical competencies for strategic trade controls enforcement**

* Legislation and appropriate legal powers to inspect shipments, seize and dispose of prohibited items, Ms. Keiko Yanai, Senior Coordinator, Non-proliferation, Science and Nuclear Energy Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Japan
* Administrative and criminal enforcement for strategic trade controls violations, Ms. Vanessa du Toit, Director, National Conventional Arms Control Inspectorate, South Africa
* Information sharing and inter-agency cooperation – how to find a common view, Mr. Jürgen Boehler Royett, Federal Department of Economic Affairs, State Secretariat for Economic Affairs SECO, Switzerland

*18:00 – Cocktail offered by the WCO*

**DAY 2: Thursday, 15 November 2012**

09:30 – 10:30 **Session 4: Risk management – how to identify and target strategic trade transactions?**

* WCO SAFE Framework of Standards and sources of data for targeting, analysis, and development of national strategic trade control watch lists, Mr. Robert White, CTS Project Manager, Compliance and Enforcement, WCO
* Developing risk indicators for strategic trade enforcement and automating risk analysis, Mr. Klaas Leenman, Account Manager, Strategic Goods and Embargoes, Dutch Customs

*10:30 – 11:00* *Coffee Break*

11:00 – 12:00 **Session 4 (continued): Risk management – how to identify and target strategic trade transactions?**

* Targeting in different port of entry environments, Mr. Yeoung-Jan Yang, Director, Surveillance Division, Incheon Main Customs, Korea Customs Service
* Working together with the industry: mitigating strategic trade-related risks, Mr Teh Thiam Siong, Head of Schemes and Licensing Branch, Singapore Customs
* Industry perspective, Mr. James Min, Vice-President, International Trade Law and Corporate Compliance, DHL

12:00 – 12:30 **Keynote address:**  **Why should Customs focus on strategic trade controls enforcement?**

* Mr. Simon Limage, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Nonproliferation Programmes, Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation, Department of State, United States

*12:30 – 14:00* *Lunch break*

14:00 – 15:30 **Session 5: Commodity identification**

* Identifying and verifying shipment contents, Mr. Pete Heine, International Nonproliferation Export Control Program (INECP), Department of Energy, United States
* Applying technologies to assist strategic trade controls enforcement, Mr. Keng Leong Choong, Senior Assistant Director of Customs, Royal Malaysian Customs
* Supporting front-line officers in commodity identification, Mr. Paul Loo, Director, Analytical and Forensic Services, Science and Engineering Directorate, Information, Science and Technology, Canada Border Services Agency

*15:30 – 16:00* *Coffee Break*

16:00 – 16:45 **Case study on the interdiction of an illicit strategic trade transfer**

* Mr. Ian Muscat, Head of Nonproliferation Unit, Malta Customs

16:45 – 18:00 **Session 6: Technologies that can support strategic trade controls enforcement**

* Mr. Trey Sieger, Business Development Manager, International Markets, Thermo Fisher Scientific
* Mr. Mathieu Guillebaud, Director, Radiation Detection Solutions, L-3 Communications Security & Detection Systems
* Mr. Dave Ashworth, Global CVI Product marketing Manager, Rapiscan Systems

*18:00 - Cocktail offered by private sector sponsors*

**DAY 3: Friday, 16 November 2012**

09:00 – 09:30 **Keynote address:**  **Strategic Trade Controls Enforcement in the United Arab Emirates**

* Ms. Huda Belhoul, Acting Director of Risk Management, Federal Customs Authority, United Arab Emirates

09:30 – 11:00 **Session 7:** **Special challenges in strategic trade controls enforcement – transshipment, transit, and Free Trade Zones**

* Free Trade Zones and strategic trade controls enforcement, Panama (tbc)
* Transshipment and transit control of strategic commodities, Mr. Mohammed Khomsi, Head of Supervision and Assistance Office, Administration of Customs and Excise, Morocco
* National case study: transit control of dual-use items in Finland, Mr. Jarkko Keskinen, Senior Customs Officer, National Board of Customs, Finland
* National case study: transshipment and transit control of strategic commodities in Kazakhstan, Mr. Amaniyaz Erzhanov, Deputy Chairman of the Customs Control Committee, Kazakh Customs

*11:00 – 11:30 Coffee Break*

11:30 – 13:00 **Session 8: Technical assistance and capacity building programmes to support Customs in strategic trade controls enforcement**

* Overview of export control and border security related technical assistance and capacity building programmes, Mr. Andrew Church, Deputy Director, Office of Export Control Cooperation, Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation, Department of State, United States
* EU CBRN Center of Excellence Initiative, Mr. Michael Thornton, Global Security and Crisis Management Unit, Institute for the Protection and Security of the Citizen (IPSC), Joint Research Centre, European Commission.
* OSCE- Workshops and Programmes for Fostering Coordination and Communication Between Export Licensing and Customs, Mr. Jonathan Trumble, Customs Adviser, Transnational Threats Department, Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe
* WCO and its technical assistance activities in the field of strategic trade controls enforcement, Mr. Stefan Aniszewski, Programme Manager for Security, Compliance and Enforcement, WCO

13:00 – 13:15 **Closing of the Conference**

* Closing remarks by Mr. Kunio Mikuriya, Secretary General, WCO

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