

# IT INNOVATION FOR CUSTOMS; BLOCKCHAIN AND DATA ANALYTICS

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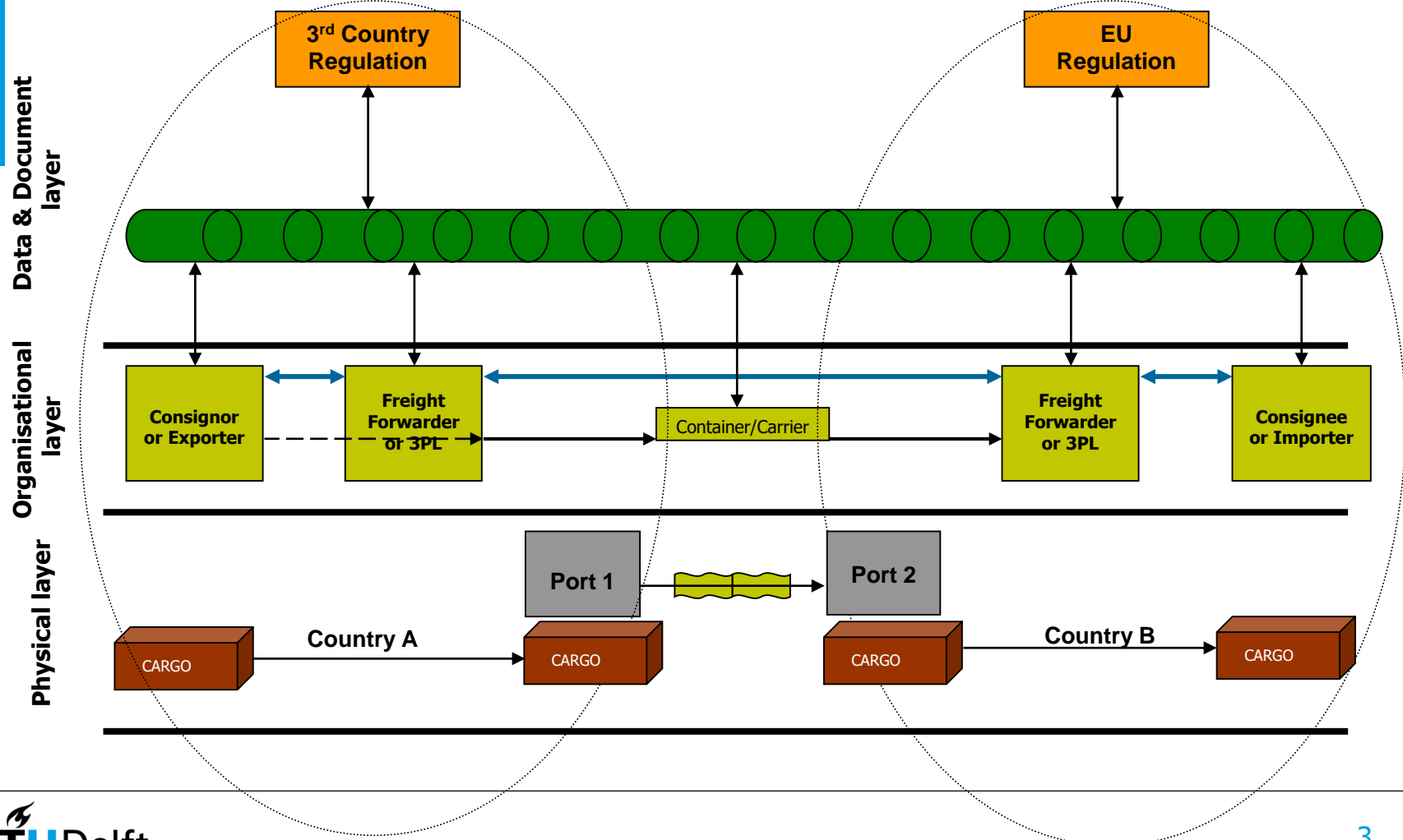
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# Why IT innovation is important

- E-Commerce leads to increase of customs declarations 15%/year
- Brexit leads to increase of customs declarations 15%/year
- Dutch Customs Example
  - 160M/year customs declarations (30% of total EU!)
  - Expected to increase to 500-600M/year in few years
  - Dutch declaration system AGS is tested for 1 Billion declarations/year
- Impossible to process this with current number of customs officers in the EU
  - Even when they hire 900 extra officers in the Netherlands
- Only way out; Controls smarter with IT innovation

# Data Pipeline (Frank Heijmann, David Hesketh)

“Internet for Logistics” developed in EU research projects e.g.  
**CORE, CASSANDRA, INTEGRITY, ITAIDE**



# Customs IT innovation

- “**Get Data from the Source**”; Customs should use more trade data to cross-validate accuracy of import/export declarations
  - Examples: invoice, purchase order, packing list
- Companies are **willing** and **able** to share their trade data via IT platforms with customs
  - Most companies use enterprise information systems (e.g. ERP)
  - Willing if it provides trade facilitation
- Trade data is available in **IT systems of companies**
  - Can be accessed by customs via IT platforms;
    - Government; e.g. port community systems, single windows
    - Trade: e.g. INTTRA, Descartes, GT-Nexus, SAP, IBM

# IT systems enabling Data Pipeline innovation

- **Give border inspections access to company data, by facilitating public-private information exchange**
- **Existing ICT** (NL examples, but similar in many other countries)
  - **Single Window** initiatives by government
    - e.g. Digipoort (NL)
  - **Electronic (!) Phyto Sanitary Declaration systems**
    - E.g. **CLIENT** (NL), **ECS** (KEPHIS, Kenya)
  - **Port Community Systems**
    - e.g. Portbase (Haven Rotterdam), Cargonaut (Schiphol airport)
  - **Logistics & Supply Chain Management software systems**
    - e.g. Descartes, GT-Nexus, INTTRA, IPC, SAP, IBM etc
- **ICT Innovations to further develop Data Pipelines:**
  - **Blockchain** (e.g. Tradelens developed in EU project **CORE**)
  - **Data Analytics** (EU project **PROFILE**)

# CORE FloraHolland Demo

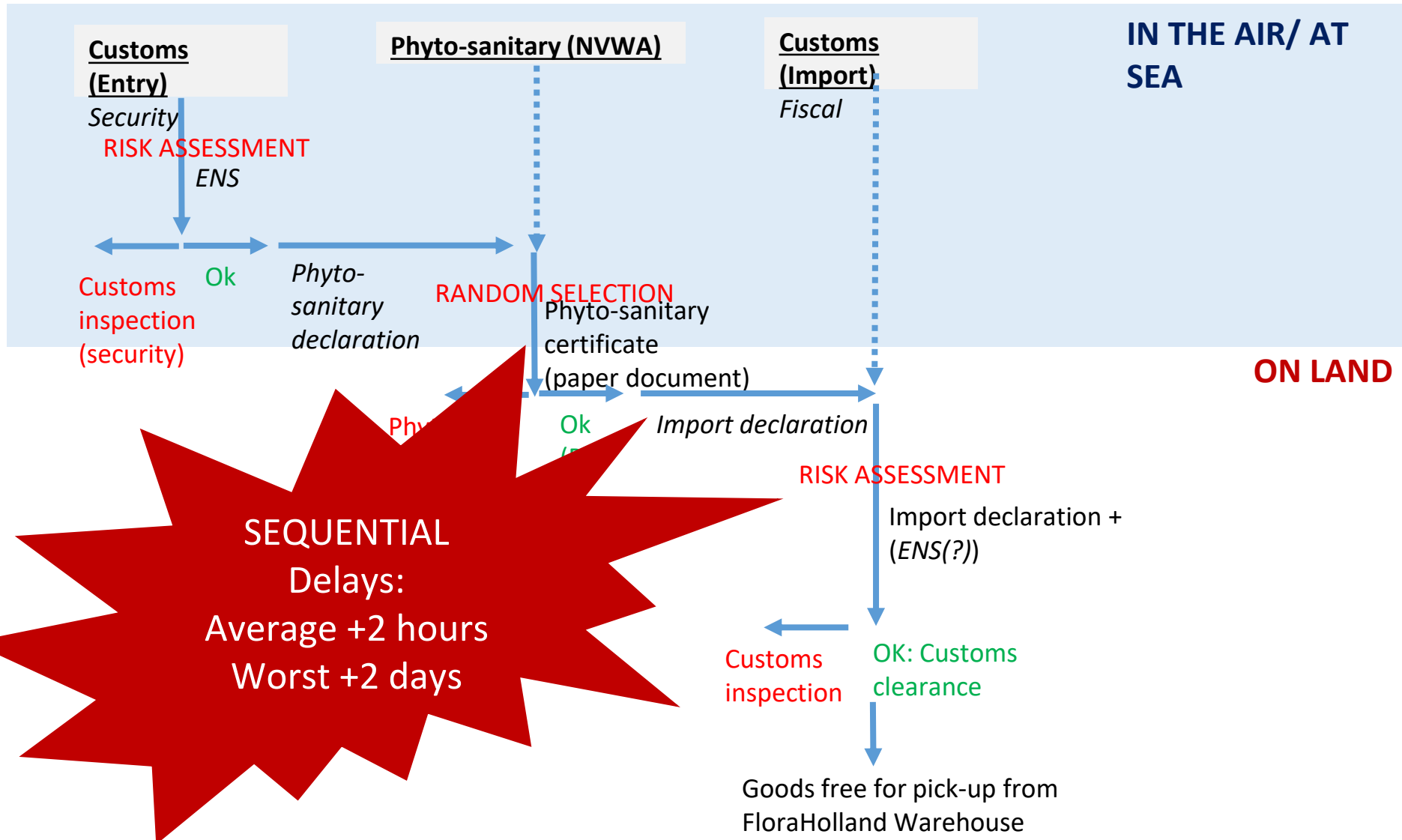
## Coordinated Border Mangement: Integrating Customs and Phytosanitary border control

### Import of Roses from **Kenia** to **Netherlands**

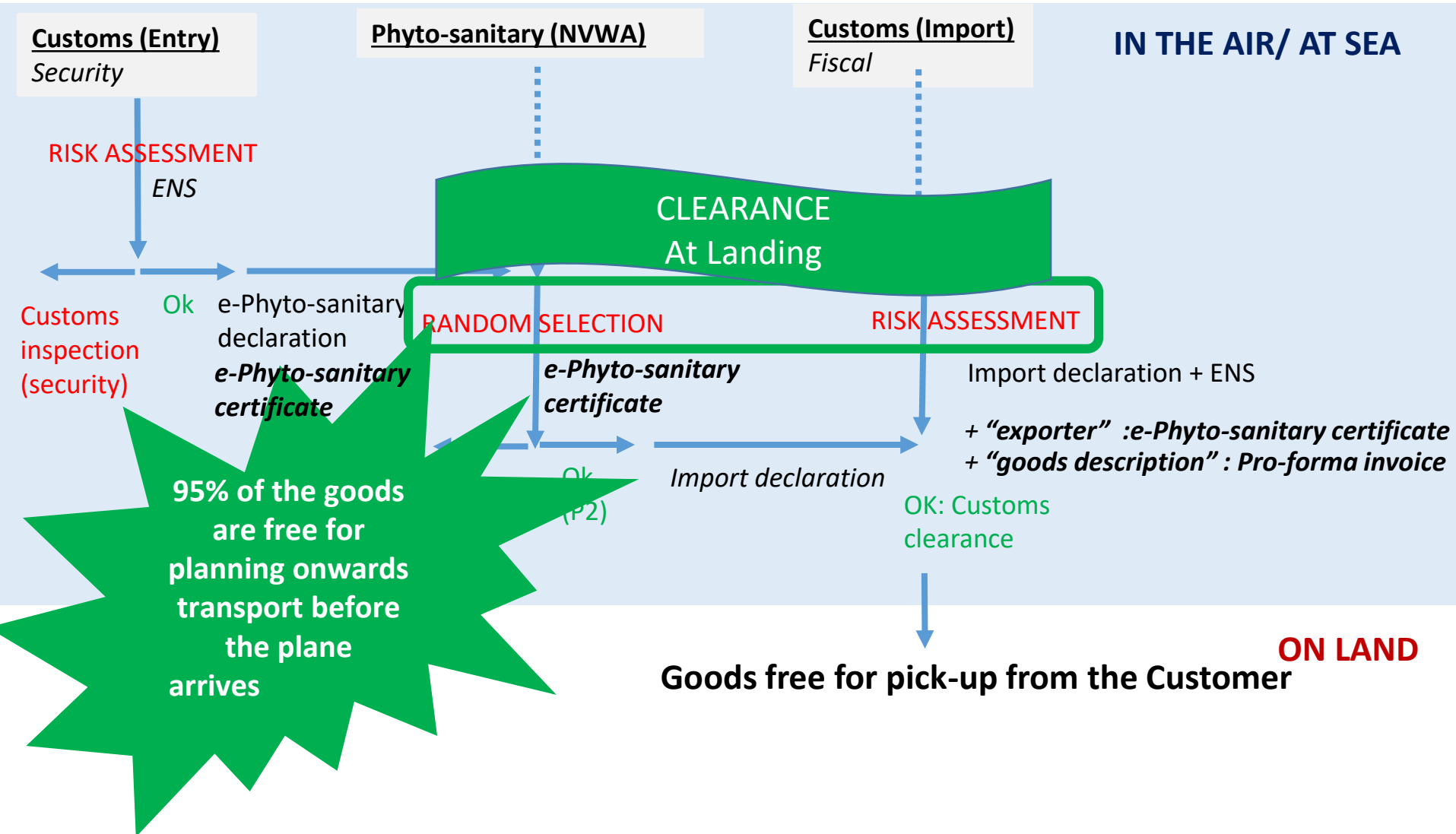
- Transport organised by FloraHolland from Kenia to Netherlands
  - **90** tons/year, **5** flights/day, pilot with Maersk Reefer Containers
  - Distributed from the Netherlands to all over Europe
- Very active participation in **CORE** of **Dutch Customs**



# FloraHolland Air Demo (current)



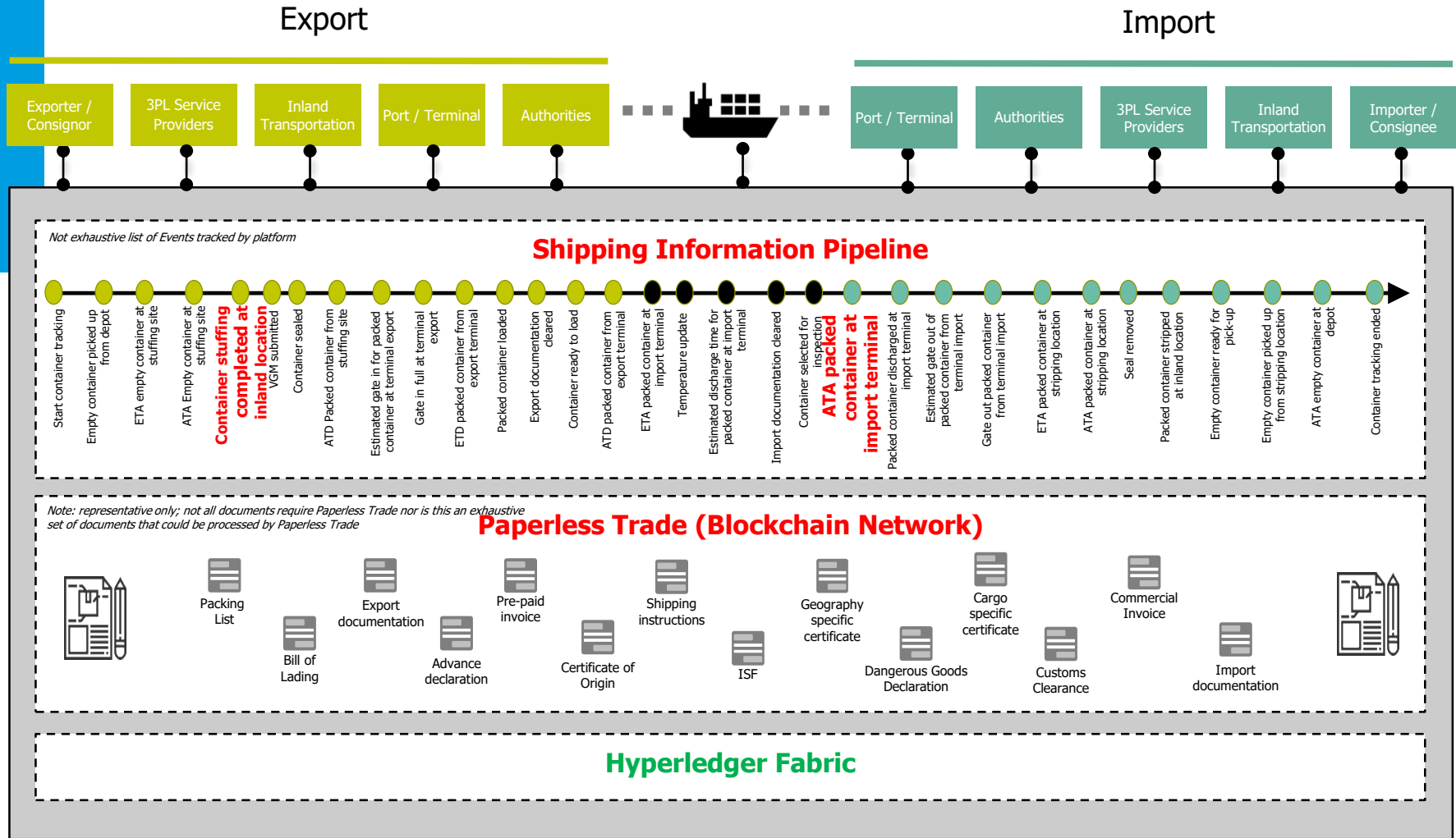
# FloraHolland Air Demo (improved)



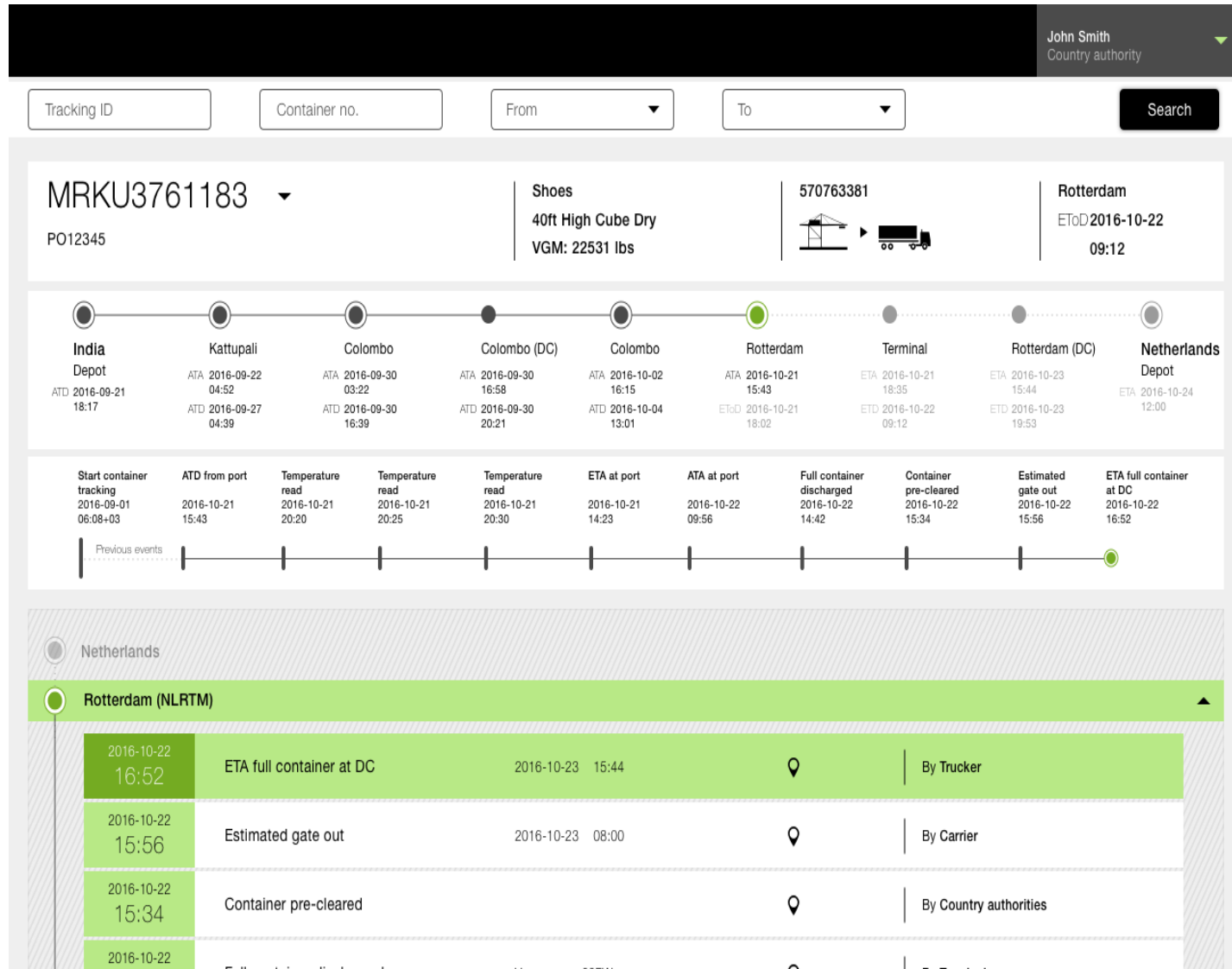


# TRADELENS Blockchain IT platform

## Prototype developed by MAERSK and IBM in EU project CORE



# TRADELENS: Shipping Information Pipeline



# TRADELENS: Paperless Trade (Blockchain)



- Packing List
- Commercial Invoice
- Certificate of Origin
- Phytosanitary Certificate
- Export License
- Bill of Lading

## BLOCKCHAIN

- ID: 92148fb - Certificate of Origin approved by KEPHIS on 12/4/2016, 8:13:56 AM
- ID: dxjc7l - Phytosanitary Certificate approved by KEPHIS on 12/4/2016, 8:13:55 AM
- ID: bvztinhf - Certificate of Origin approved by KRA on 12/4/2016, 8:13:44 AM
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- ID: ug2gw99 - Phytosanitary Certificate uploaded by Kenyan Growers Co. on 12/4/2016, 8:13:35 AM
- ID: 9rlxae - Certificate of Origin uploaded by Kenyan Growers Co. on 12/4/2016, 8:13:35

## HCDA's View

Order # 57cf4adbbf2e10ba61d981e5 Customer Kenyan Growers Co.

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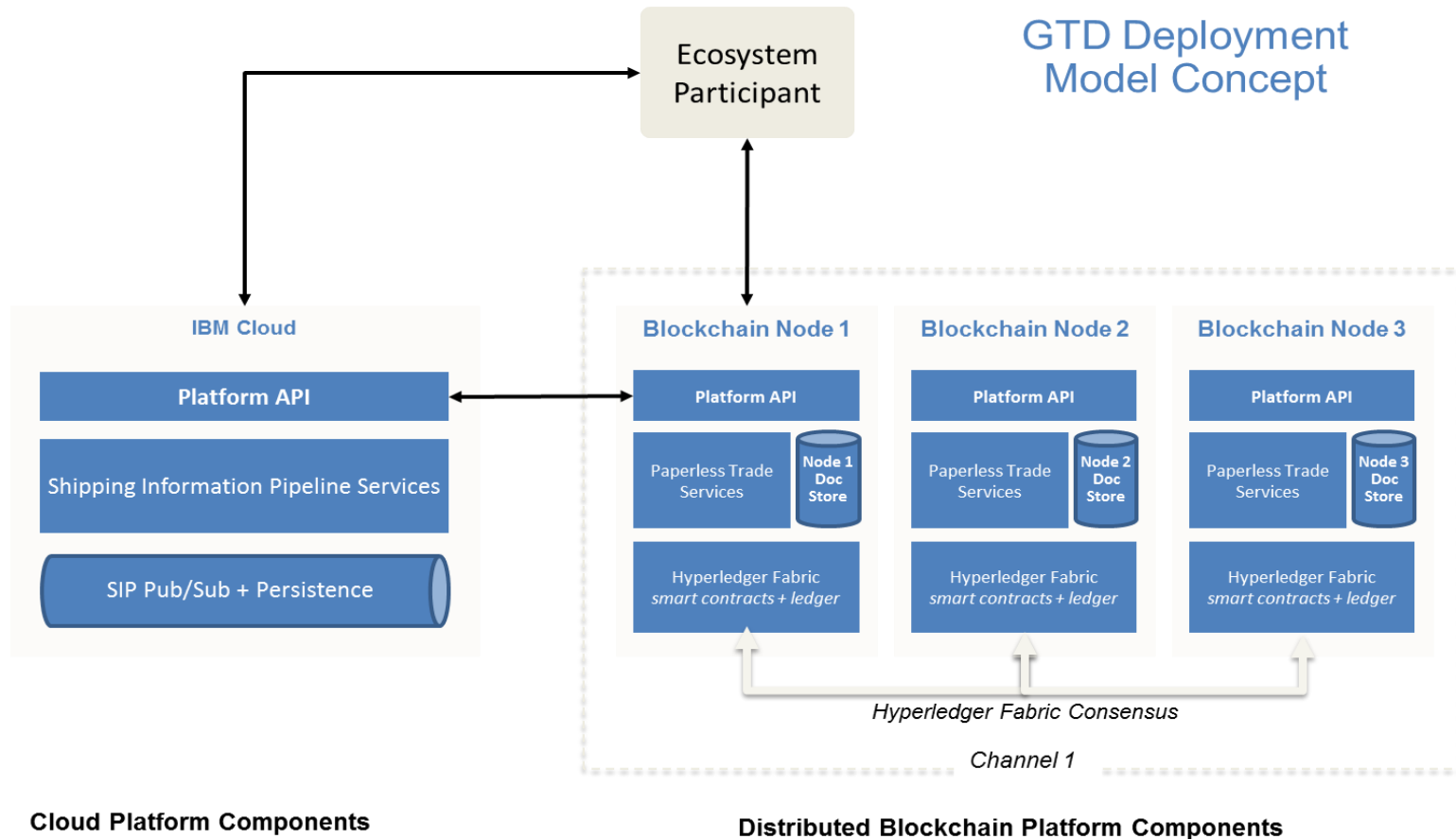
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# Tradelens deployment diagram



# Tradelens use of channels

Dots designate node participation in a channel

	GTD Node	Ocean Carrier 1 Node	Ocean Carrier 2 Node	Ocean Carrier 3 Node	... Node	Other Participant Node	Other Participant Node	Other Participant Node
<b>OCEAN CARRIER 1 CHANNEL</b>	●	●				●		
<b>OCEAN CARRIER 2 CHANNEL</b>	●		●				●	●
<b>OCEAN CARRIER 3 CHANNEL</b>	●			●		●		●
<b>...CHANNEL</b>	●				●			●



# Network Status January 2019

## Ports and Terminals

Terminal Location	Operator	Status	Terminal Location	Operator	Status
Algeciras, Spain	Port of Algeciras	⊙	Liverpool, UK	MCP	⊙
Algeciras, Spain	APM Terminals	⊙	Los Angeles, CA, USA	APM Terminals	⊙
Apapa, Nigeria	APM Terminals	⊙	Maasvlakte II, Netherlands	APM Terminals	⊙
Auckland, New Zealand	PortConnect	⊙	Manila, Philippines	ICTSI	⊙
Avonmouth, UK	MCP	⊙	Melbourne, Australia	Patrick Terminals	⊙
Bahrain	APM Terminals	⊙	Montreal, Canada	MGTP	⊙
Bilbao, Spain	Port of Bilbao	⊙	Mobile, AL USA	APM Terminals	⊙
Brisbane, Australia	Patrick Terminals	⊙	Napier, NZ	Napier Port Authority	⊙
Buenos Aires, Argentina	APM Terminals	⊙	Newcastle, UK	MCP	⊙
Busan, South Korea	Port of Busan	⊙	Onne, Nigeria	APM Terminals	⊙
Callao, Peru	APM Terminals	⊙	Philadelphia, PA USA	Packer Terminals	⊙
Cotonou, Benin	APM Terminals	⊙	Pipavav, India	APM Terminals	⊙
Elizabeth, NJ, USA	APM Terminals	⊙	Pecem, Brazil	APM Terminals	⊙
Felixstowe, UK	MCP	⊙	Poti, Georgia	APM Terminals	⊙
Fremantle, Australia	Patrick Terminals	⊙	Rotterdam, Netherlands	APM Terminals	⊙
Göteborg, Sweden	APM Terminals	⊙	Sydney, Australia	Patrick Terminals	⊙
Halifax, Canada	Halterm Canada	⊙	Singapore, Singapore	PSA	⊙
Hong Kong	Modern Terminals	⊙	Tangier, Morocco	APM Terminals	⊙
Houston, TX USA	Port of Houston	⊙	Tauranga, NZ	PortConnect	⊙
Itajai, Brazil	APM Terminals	⊙	Teesport, UK	MCP	⊙
Izmir, Turkey	APM Terminals	⊙	Valencia, Spain	Port of Valencia	⊙
Lazaro, Mexico	APM Terminals	⊙	Visakhapatnam, India	JM Baxi	⊙



## Ocean Carriers

Ocean Carrier / Short Sea	Status
Maersk Line	⊙
Safmarine	⊙
Sealand	⊙
Hamburg-Sud	⊙
Pacific International Lines	⊙
KMTC	⊙
Seaboard	⊙
Namsung	⊙
Boluda Lines	⊙



## Government Authorities

Authority	Status
Australia Home Affairs	⊙
Bahrain Customs	⊙
Canada Customs	⊙
Dutch Customs	⊙
Ghana / GCNET	⊙
Saudi Arabia Customs	⊙
Peru Customs	⊙
Singapore Customs	⊙
Turkey Customs	⊙

**Live:** The Network Member is connected to the Platform and providing data

**In Process:** The Network Member engaged and/or integration is in process. Some members engaged under Early Adopter Program and/or trial agreements



## Inland Transportation

Transportation Provider	Status
Ancotrans	⊙
CN Rail	⊙
IMCC	⊙

## Shipping Events

**+ 350M per year**  
**1M per day**

# Large Volume of Containers and Data

- **TRADELENS global roll-out**

- Many global companies participate
- Large number of container (> **1,6 million!**)
- Large number of container event data and documents (> **350 million!**)
- Active piloting of Dutch Customs (and various other Customs!)
- Dutch Customs built *Customs Real-Time Information* (CRIS) system to connect to data pipelines such as Tradelens
  - will be integrated in new version of Dutch customs declarations system AGS

- **TRADELENS currently connected to**

- Container Carrier systems (e.g. MAERSK, Hamburg Sud)
  - June 2019 MSC and MCA joined
- Various container terminals (e.g. APMT Rotterdam, Houston, Singapore, Lima)
- Various Ports/Port Community Systems (e.g. Portbase of Port of Rotterdam, PortNet Singapore)
- Pilots with many other customs administrations: Australia, Canada, Peru,

# Benefits of Blockchain for Customs

- Blockchain platform is very suitable for sharing logistic events and documents among all parties in supply chains
  - Immutable: data cannot be changed
  - Secure: data cannot be read by competitors without authorization, but always accessible for customs
- Customs can use blockchain platform as **data pipeline** solution to collect extra business documents to detect fraud with customs declarations; examples: Pro-forma invoice, Packing list, Certificates (e.g. origin, phytosanitary, veterinarian)
- Tradelens is now piloted with various customs all over the world
  - E.G. pilot the new **Customs Real-time Information System** (CRIS) of Dutch Customs
- TAXUD is doing pilots with EMCS and eATO
  - See <https://youtu.be/qsmo7VOqATI>



# PROFILE



## GOAL

Develop modern data analytics and leverage Big Data and open data sources for customs risk management



## PARTNERS

15 partners (5 Customs)



## BUDGET

5 million EUR

### Customs Administrations

- Belgium
- Estonia
- Netherlands
- Norway
- Sweden

### Other Partners

- Cross-border Research Association(Coordinator)
- Netherlands Organisation for Applied Scientific Research
- The Swedish Defence Research Agency
- The Norwegian Defence Research Establishment
- IBM
- INLECOM
- BMT
- Joint Research Centre
- TU DELFT
- University of Lausanne



## DURATION

36 months



## START

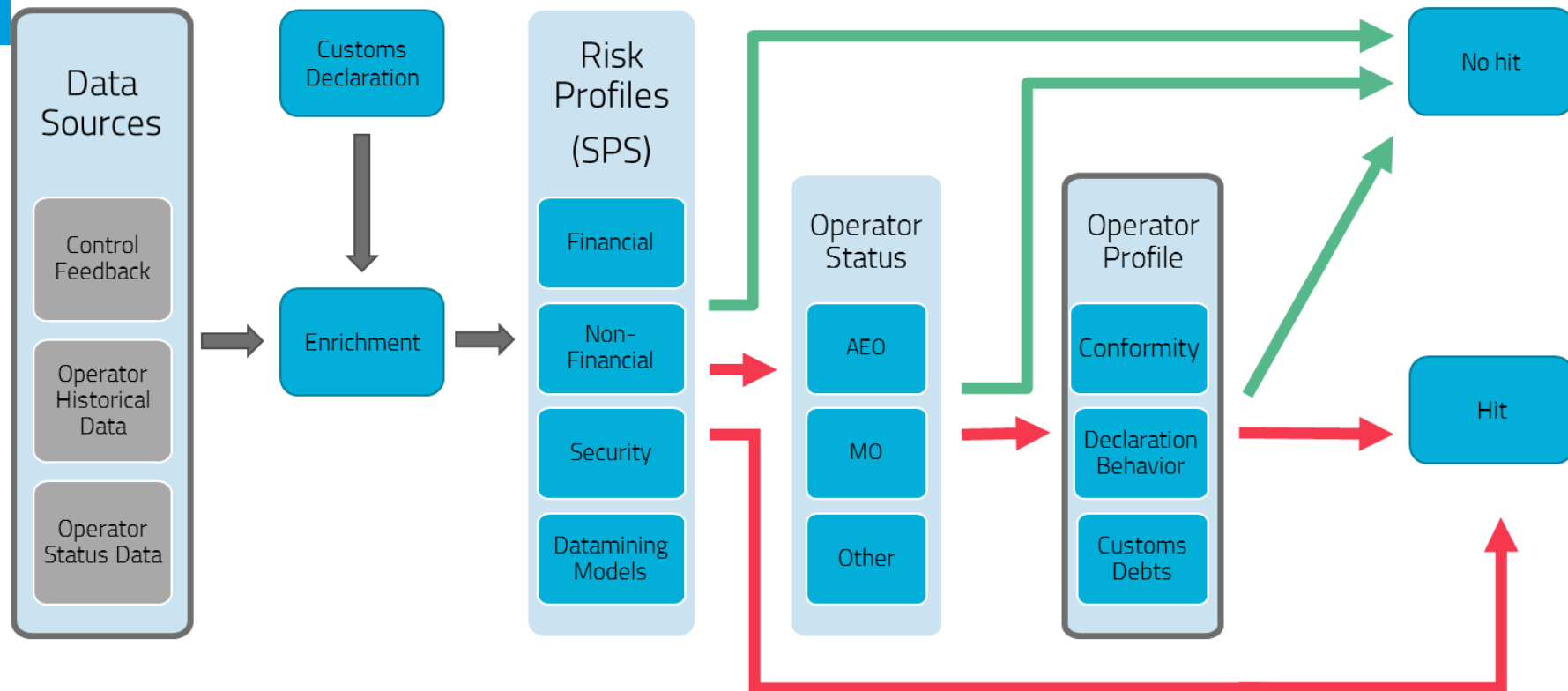
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# Benefits of Data Analytics for Customs

- NL Pilot: Check price on import declaration of e-commerce goods
  - by automated search of price of goods on e-commerce web sites (thousands!)
- **Data Analytics** to do **automated search** of e-commerce web sites
  - Compute average price from these web sites
  - Support tool for customs targeting officer to cross-validate stated value in customs declaration
  - Developed in EU research project PROFILE
- This data analytics will be piloted in the new **Customs Real-time Information System** (CRIS) of Dutch Customs

# Belgian Customs Operator Profiling

## SEDA 2.0 selection engine



# Observations

- Decision points where **DA benefits** are **most useful**
  - Use DA to decrease **False Positive** inspections?
    - Now typically 94% False Positives
    - What if DA would improve that to 70% False Positives?
    - Less ineffective inspections, hence increase customs efficiency
      - Needed to be able to process the huge growth in declarations due to e-commerce and Brexit
  - Use DA to decrease **False Negative** inspections
    - “catch more illicit trade”
  - Different types of DA innovation (e.g. different training data sets)
- Customs **Resource limitations** constrain DA benefits
  - More true positives also requires more customs staff
    - to inspect
    - for administrative after processing (fines, reporting etc.)
  - **Trade-offs** have to be considered between DA innovation and customs resource limitations