

Development and Implementation of the National Transit System (NTS) of the Customs Service of the Republic of Moldova**Duration:** 01.06.2023 - 31.12.2025**Countries:**

Moldova

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United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

**Project description:**

This EU-funded project supports the development and implementation of the National Transit System (NTS) within the Customs Service of the Republic of Moldova (CSRM), ensuring compatibility with NCTS Phase 5 (NCTS-NTS). The project's overall objective is to enhance trade facilitation and operational capacity of the CSRM in line with the EU-Moldova Association Agreement and the Strategic Framework for EU-Republic of Moldova Customs Cooperation. Through the implementation of NTS-NCTS, the initiative prepares Moldova for accession to the Common Transit Convention, aligning its customs procedures with EU standards. A key strategic aim is to engage all relevant stakeholders involved in CSRM activities, ensuring their active participation in the implementation and use of the new NTS-NCTS system and keeping them fully informed about updated procedures.

Expected results:

The primary outcome of this project will be the deployment of the National Transit System (NTS-NCTS) for the Customs Service of the Republic of Moldova (CSRM), fully aligned with NCTS Phase 5 (NCTS-P5). The system will comply with the latest Common Transit Convention (CTC) requirements and Moldova's national regulations, ensuring efficient service delivery to both the trade sector and the Government while meeting CSRM's operational needs.

The key expected outputs include:

1. Development and deployment of the CSRM NTS-NCTS prototype in a training/testing environment, ensuring alignment with EU and national user requirements and full preparation of the national and external domains.
2. Implementation of NTS-NCTS in the operational environment, including configuration, installation, and acceptance testing, with Conformance Test and Dry Run completed.
3. Establishment of an operational National Service Desk and publication of user manuals for system users.
4. Training of the CSRM National Project Team and end-users, ensuring customs officers and trade operators can effectively use, manage, and maintain the system.
5. Alignment of customs declaration data with the new Customs Code, incorporating new declaration and notification types (e.g., eCommerce, pre-arrival submission, re-export, temporary storage, and EIDR notifications).
6. Enhancements to the CSRM ASYCUDA system, including pre-arrival processing, improved customs decision