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Advance Cargo Information

EMMA
Electronic Management Manifest ASYCUDA

CARICOM member States implemented the Electronic Management Manifest ASYCUDA (EMMA), the regional advance cargo information system, hosted by the Implementing Agency for Crime and Security (IMPACS)

Situation

Cargo requirements were different in each jurisdiction, causing difficulties to carriers in submitting manifest in a timely manner. Customs administrations had vulnerable cargo supply chain security with limited pre-arrival procedures to assess the level of risk and thus target shipments before their arrival or departure.

Solution

EMMA aims at creating a robust and integrated data and intelligence-sharing mechanism among member States, while simplifying cargo reporting requirements, harmonizing legislation and promoting compliance. It uses a centralized portal to receive electronic submission of cargo manifest that is seamlessly relayed to ASYCUDAWorld's instance at the intended destination with a risk assessment report. IMPACS' Joint Regional Communication Centre (JRCC) in Barbados hosts EMMA's primary server, while its head office in Trinidad and Tobago hosts the secondary failover one to ensure continuous operation and service availability.

Result

Cargo reporters have a Single Portal for supplying advance cargo information with standardized data requirements. All data passing through EMMA's single portal goes through the risk assessment engine being fed by IMPACS' JRCC risk analysts that maintain up-to-date and monitored targeting criteria. EMMA creates better opportunities to have Customs administrations systematically exchange information and intelligence in the region, using risk management techniques for better law enforcement scrutiny without hindering the free flow of legitimate trade.

14
out of the 15 CARICOM
member States use ASYCUDAWorld as their Customs management system

This photo was taken before the COVID19 pandemic.

The benefits to be gained from the new system by custom officers are real time notification and pre-alerts, access to regional and international sources of intelligence, strengthening local risk management of operations, enhanced information sharing.

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Saint Vincent and the Grenadines (ASYCUDA)
Suriname (ASYCUDA)
Trinidad and Tobago (ASYCUDA)

15
Participating **CARICOM** member States

18.39 Million
Population of participating States

320
Ports of entry/departure in CARICOM IMPACS participating States

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Electronic submission of cargo manifests and electronic data exchange
with CARICOM member States' ASYCUDA system

Operating Carrier

Manifest

EMMA @JRCC
Electronic Management Manifest ASYCUDA

Cargo Data

Risk Report

ASYCUDA @Member State

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