

**How does the WCO help
its Members to
overcome corruption ?**



Corruption – Misuse of public power for private benefit

- Current economic climate
- Negative consequences
- Recognition of the problem

Lack of integrity in Customs

- Distorts trade
- Hinders the smooth flow of goods
- Jeopardizes national security

Integrity tools developed by the WCO

- Revised Arusha Declaration
- Integrity Development Guide
- Integrity Best Practices
- Model Code of Conduct
- Resolutions (Maputo, Almaty, Nairobi)
- Capacity Building Diagnostic Framework

Integrity tools developed by the WCO

- SAFE Framework of Standards
- Integrity Sub-Committee (ISC)
- Informal Integrity Discussion Group
- WCO Integrity workshops
- E-learning Module on Integrity

REVISED ARUSHA DECLARATION

- (1) Leadership and Commitment
- (2) Regulatory Framework
- (3) **Transparency**
- (4) Automation
- (5) Reform and Modernization
- (6) Audit and Investigation
- (7) **Code of Conduct**
- (8) **Human Resources Development**
- (9) Morale and Organizational Culture
- (10) Relationship with the Private Sector



TRANSPARENCY

(...) *Customs laws, regulations, procedures and administrative guidelines **should be made public**, be easily accessible and applied in a uniform and consistent manner.*

- Publish legal texts
- Inform public of changes in regulations/procedures
- Advance rulings

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CODE OF CONDUCT

(...) Penalties for non-compliance should be articulated in the code, calibrated to correspond to the seriousness of the violation and supported by appropriate administrative and legislative provisions.

- Display Codes of Conduct
- Inform Customs officers of their responsibilities, obligations and sanctions

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HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

(...) The implementation of sound management resource management policies and procedures plays a major role in the fight against corruption in Customs.

- Appointment and rotation principle
- Recruitment methods
- Ongoing training
- Other border measures

COMMUNICATION – A KEY PRINCIPLE

- Keep employees updated
- Inform private sector

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION !

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