Digital and Sustainable Trade Facilitation in the Arab Region, 2021

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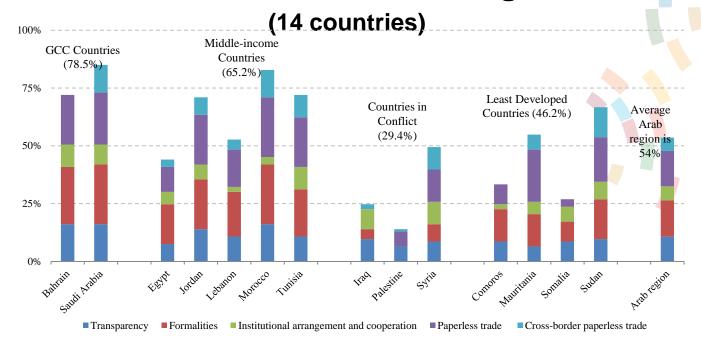


Trade Facilitation in the Arab Region

- •Survey on implementation of TF was sent to over 50 experts from 22 Arab States.
- Results for 2021 cover 14 Arab countries, in four sub-regions.



Overall implementation of TF Measures in the Arab Region





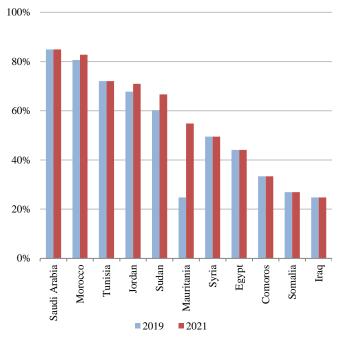
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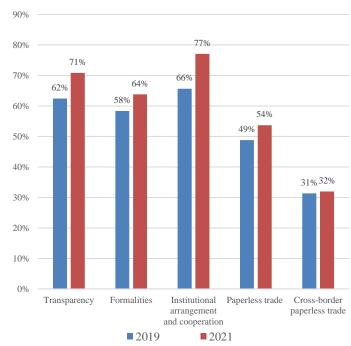
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Evolution 2019-2021

(11 countries)





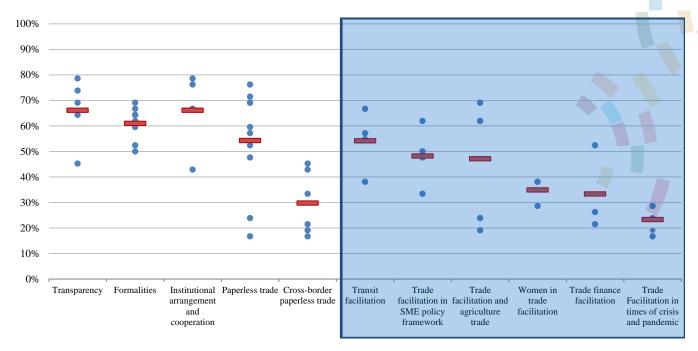




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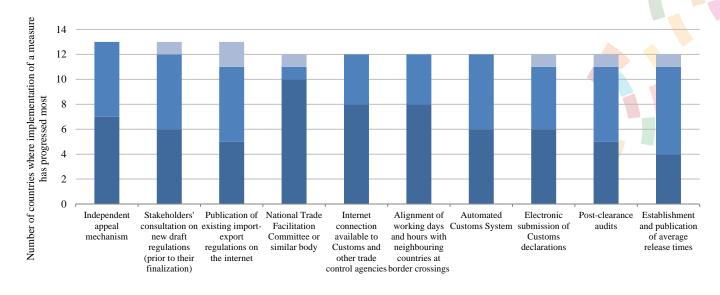
Implementation of Different Groups of TF Measures





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Most implemented measures in Arab region, 2021



■ Partially implemented



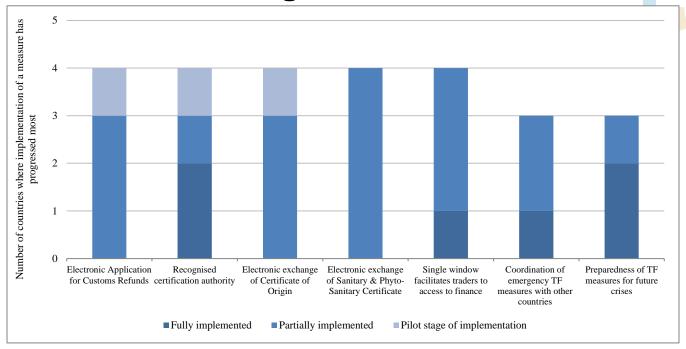
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■ Fully implemented



■ Pilot stage of implementation

Least implemented measures in Arab region, 2021

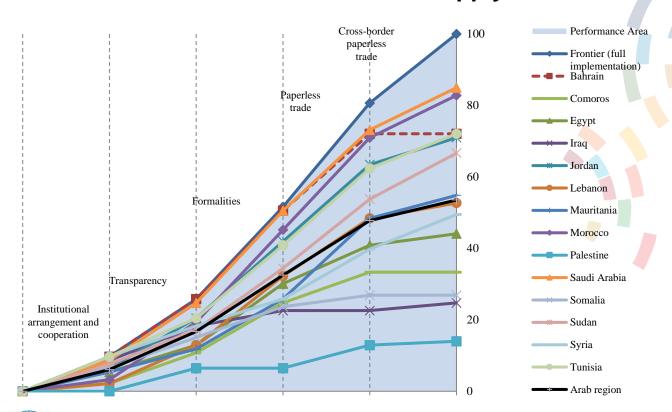




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Moving up the Trade Facilitation Ladder Towards Seamless International Supply Chains





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Conclusion and Way Forward

- Significant progress recorded in the implementation of General Trade Facilitation measures in the Arab Region, however, more efforts need to be directed towards enhancing cross-border paperless trade, facilitating transit, trade for SMEs, supporting women traders and facilitating trade in times of crisis and pandemic.
- ESCWA is continuously ready to support its Member States in adopting and implementing policies to facilitate regional and international trade, particularly digitalizing trade procedures and increasing their preparedness for times of crisis.



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