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**Maputo Corridor Engagement** 



### **SARS Accreditation Programme**



#### **BACKGROUND**

SARS launched a domestic accreditation programme, which is aligned to the compliance requirements of an Authorised Economic Operator Programme.



#### PILOT 2009 - 2016

The programme was piloted between 2009 and 2016. It was known as the Preferred Trader (PT) and legislated under level 2 accreditation



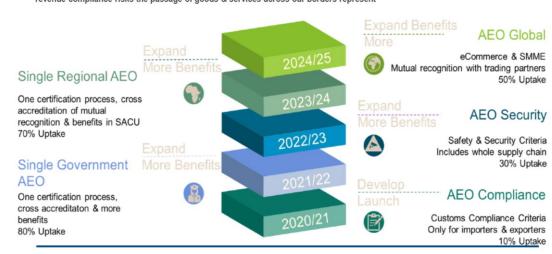
#### PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

The AEO-Compliance programme is available to registered importers and exporters. The program is now open to all role players within the supply chain (AEO- Safety & Security programme – piloted in 2019)

#### The AEO 5 Year Strategy

<u> AEC</u>

The AEO Programme ensures achievement of this fine balance at the lowest possible cost, without any compromise to the revenue compliance risks the passage of goods & services across our borders represent





### **Road Map - SGAEO**

2020/2021 SARS continues In collaboration with bilateral with the World dialogues with Bank & BMA PMO. Develop a Regional Other Government SARS successfully Authorized Economic Agencies on an hosted the first Operator (RAEO) integrated AEO International Single programme programme Government Authorized Economic Operator (SGAEO) Workshop Joint Work Plan Technical Work Formal Process -2024/2025 Groups Commitment for One Certification Compliance Collaboration with Process, Cross Programme OGA's & Accreditation & comparisons & support from the More Benefits Synergies -World Bank 80% Uptake Enhanced service offerings & Benefits



### Single Government AEO Development

#### Relevant criteria

- Compliance criteria
- Security criteria
- Cover relevant Supply chain entities
- Collaborative view on risk and compliance criteria and standards
- Consider any additional criteria

### Verification process

- Develop individual and collective accreditation processes
- Identify additional agency specific verifications required to support universal AEO recognition
- Identify additional benefits for trade

#### **AEO Identification**

- Consider approaches
   for all agencies to identify AEO transactions
- Consider relevant treatment / facilitation for AEOs at the border

#### Communication

 Develop processes to ensure understanding of AEO status and differential legal treatment

#### Measures

 Develop compliance, security, and facilitation measures to keep track of performance

Develop collective Terms of Reference for SGAEO & Working Group

Develop specific SARS-agency Pilot(s)









The pilot will be conducted on a voluntary basis; and in line with existing legislation as it pertains to compliance by clients.

The pilot will be open to all eligible clients. Implementation of the pilot will be guided by standard operating procedures which will be developed and adopted by the pilot team.



# PROPOSED PRIORITY FOR TRUSTED MUTUALLY ACCREDITED CLIENTS



## Distinctive Features of the AEO/OCAS Programme

The AEO programme is voluntary programme for traders.

OCAS will be implemented as a mandatory way of regulating cross-border operations. However, moving between the accreditation levels will be voluntary and initiated by the client. Both the AEO and OCAS accreditation concepts are aimed at locally registered entities



### **Concept Design**



### **Corridor Assessment**





### **Proposed Benefits**

#### **SARS**

Expedited clearances of cargo transported belong to an accredited trader which will benefit the transporter

#### **SARS**

Proposed Benefit: Reduced surety bond for road hauliers

#### CBRTA/OGA

None or at most one LE enroute checkpoint stoppages for accredited hauliers carrying AEO clients' goods



#### **CBRTA**

Weigh Bridge Processing – Accredited client should be facilitated in queues for processing at weigh bridges.

#### SARS/CBRTA & OGA'S

Green Lane - Accredited clients could be prioritized

#### SARS/CBRTA/OGA

Pooling of resources – SARS and CBRTA pool resources for purposes of facilitating accredited trucks within the 10km radius of the port of entry.

Engagements are already underway in Lebombo border.

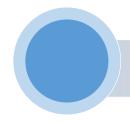


### **External Stakeholder Engagement**

#### Private Sector Engagements

**Public Sector Engagements** 

Other Role Players



### August - September 2021

- Business Unity South Africa (BUSA)
- The Road Freight Association (RFA)
- Federation of East and Southern African Road Transport Associations (FESARTA)
- South African Association of Freight Forwarders (SAAFF)
- Truckers Association of South Africa (TASA)
- Clients (Freight operators) if not part an association

#### August - September 2021

- National Department of Transport
- National Joint Operational and Intelligence Structure (NATJOINTS)
- Border Management Authority (BMA)
- Law Enforcement Technical Committee (LETCOM)
- Road Traffic Management Cooperation (RTMC)
- Member of the Executive Council (MEC')s of Transport for Gauteng and Mpumalanga
- · Provincial Law Enforcement

#### September 2021

- Provincial Law Enforcement
- Border Stakeholders / Officials
- The South African Roads Agency (SANRAL)



• South African Police Service (SAPS)



### **Opportunity to Participate**

Cross Border Permit Holders – Transporters

Road Hauliers/Carriers registered with Customs

**AEO Accredited Clients** 

Commodity specific Transporters - TBC

Private Sector Collaboration with Government

Time Release Study at Land Border – Possible use of GPS tracking-WB also supporting the Corridor truck tracking system

**Envisaged Date: October 2021 – February 2022** 







### **Enquiries**

### Accreditation Programme (AEO/OCAS Pilot)

If you interested in knowing more about the Pilot

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### Information on SARS AEO Programmes

Importers/Exporters other Role players in the supply chain (Clearing Agents, Transporters etc.) / SMME's

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