



Summary

TITLE	Reform of customs procedures
Applicant	Seychelles Revenue Commission
Duration of the Project	The intended commencement date is March 2012 and the period of implementation of the contract will be 4 months from this date
Purpose of the action	<i>The overall objective</i> is to accelerate the accession of Seychelles to the WTO by adopting WTO consistent Customs Valuation system
Expertise Required	The assignment calls for three key experts knowledgeable on customs administration and procedures. The key expert one will be the Team Leader and conversant with customs procedures including data collecting, taxation and audit methods. The key expert two will have substantial knowledge on the Agreement on Implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994 while the key expert three will be knowledgeable on WTO agreements on import licensing, rules of origin and pre-shipment inspection.
Expected results	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Seychelles Adopts WTO consistent Customs Valuation system 2. The Customs officers trained on the valuation of goods in accordance with the Agreement on Implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994. 3. Data entry system streamlined to capture all variables required for policymaking decisions. 4. The Tax and Audit System streamlined in accordance with the international standard. 5. Improved understanding of officials of Customs Division on the Agreements on Implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994, the Rules of Origin, Pre-shipment process and Import Licensing and the status of negotiations on Trade Facilitation
Main activities	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Review of the Customs Management Act and other relevant laws on import/export management and procedures. ii. Develop a system of collecting Customs and other taxes in line with the multilateral system and international best practice. iii. Develop appropriate data collection system iv. Propose new domestic legislation if none exist or update the existing one to align it with WTO customs related laws

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">v. Hold an in house training of Customs Officers on the WTO system of Customs Valuationvi. Hold a 5 days stakeholders workshop
Estimated Budget	€ 199.999