

CUSTOMS BUSINESS GROUP

Meeting jointly with the Trade Contact Group on the management of authorisation process for centralised clearance for Import (CCI)

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27 May 2025

DG TAXUD Unit B1



Welcome and introduction Approval of the draft agenda Adoption of the minutes of previous CBG on CC on 28 March 2025

Agenda item

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Minutes of CBG on Centralised Clearance for Import and Export on 28 March 2025

- ➤ Published for MSs' and traders' information Note Ref. Ares (2025) 3652743 of **06/05/2025**
- ➤ Available on PICS for Customs Programme (2021 2027) members and on CIRCA BC

For MS: Minutes of CBG of 28 March 2025 on CC

For TCG: Minutes of CBG of 28 March 2025 on CC

MSs and Traders invited to provide feedback by 20 of May



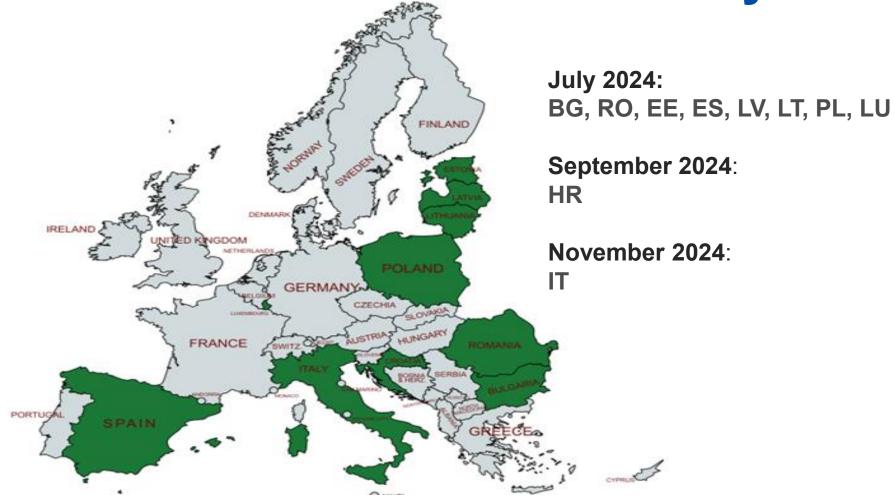


UCC CCI system implementation --- State of play ---

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CCI P1 has been live since 1 July 2024



Centralised Clearance for Import (CCI) system is expanding across EU over time - European Commission



Full CCI System Go Live by 2 June 2025



RO - 31/03/2025

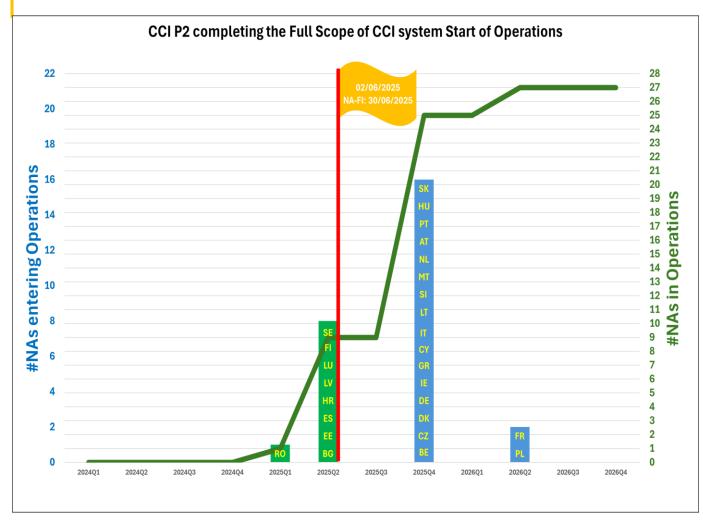
BG - 23/04/2025

Expected by 02/06/2025:

EE, ES*, FI*, LU, LV, HR, SE*

FI* - By end of June 2025 & some remaining functionalities by end of 2025 ES* - few remaining functionalities by end of 2025 SE* - some remaining functionalities in Q3 2026

UCC CCI full system - gradual implementation



In operation: BG and RO

June 2025: 7 MSs plan to be in operation with full CCI system

2 June – 31 December 2025: 16 MSs plan to be ready and join full CCI system

After 2025: 3 MS plan delays

PL - CCI P2 by Q2 2026

FR - Standard declaration by **15.12.2025** the rest CCI functionalities by Q2 2026

SE - several remaining CCI functionalities by 31 August 2026



1st Quarterly Report 2025 of Monitoring MS progress of UCC CCI system deployment

- Published for MSs' and traders' information Note Ref. Ares (2025) 4042404 of 20/05/2025
- > Available on PICS for CCI PG members and on CIRCA BC

For MS: 2025 Q1 Monitoring Report UCC CCI system deployment

For TCG: 2025 Q1 Monitoring Report UCC CCI system deployment

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1st Quarterly Report 2025 of Monitoring MS progress of UCC CCI system deployment

▶BE, CY, GR, DK, FR, IT and SI are requested to provide updated CCI NPPs, as their latest versions are outdated or incomplete (Figure 1, section 2.1 of the report)

Please submit the updated CCI NPPs to the following Functional email boxes: TAXUD-IT-MASP-CCI@ec.europa.eu by 31 May 2025 at the latest

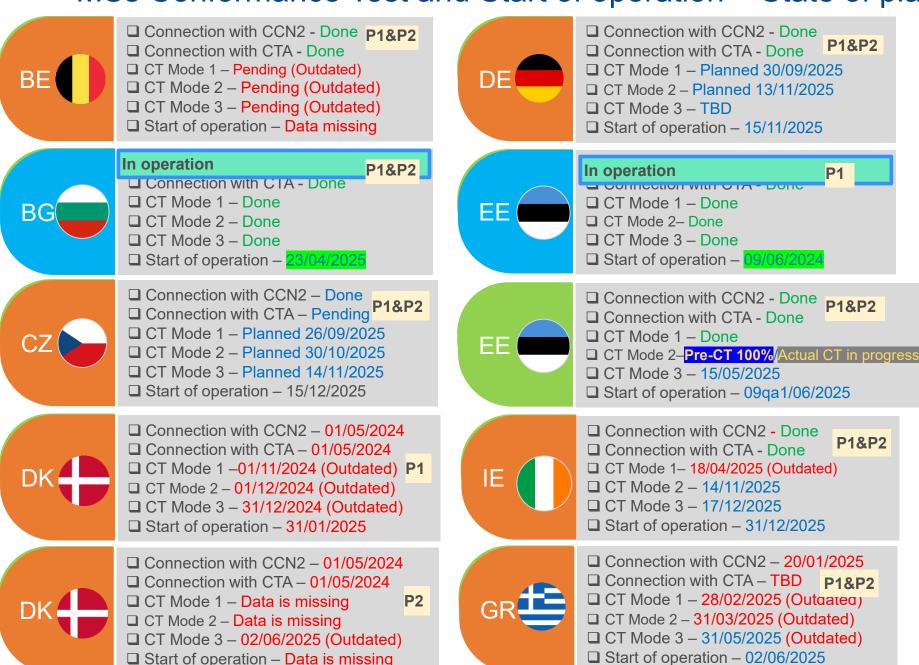


MSs Conformance Test and Start of operation Legend

- P2 CT on time (6 MSs: **EE, ES, HR, LV, LU and SE**)
- With P1 In Operation till 01/7/2024 or P2 till 02/06/2025
 - P1 (7 MSs: BG, EE, ES, LV, LT, PL and RO) and P2 (2MSs: BG and RO)
- With P1 in Operation after 01/07/2024 or P2 after 02/06/2025
 - P1 (3MSs: LU, HR and IT) and P2 (N/A)
- Estimated Operation P1&P2 by the end of 2025
 - 16MSs: BE*, CZ, DK*, DE, IE*, GR*, ES**, IT*, CY*, LT, HU, MT*, NL, AT, PT* and SK
- Estimated Operation P1&P2 after 01/01/2026
 - 4MSs: FR**, PL, SI** and SE

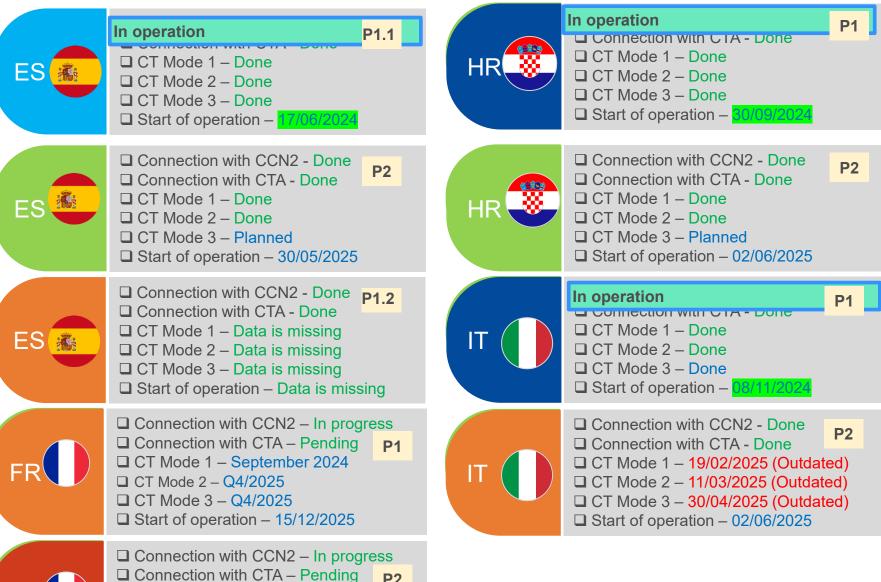


MSs Conformance Test and Start of operation – State of play (1/4)





MSs Conformance Test and Start of operation – State of play (2/4)



☐ CT Mode 1 – September 2025

☐ Start of operation – Jun 2025

☐ CT Mode 2 – Q2/2026

☐ CT Mode 3 – Q2/2026

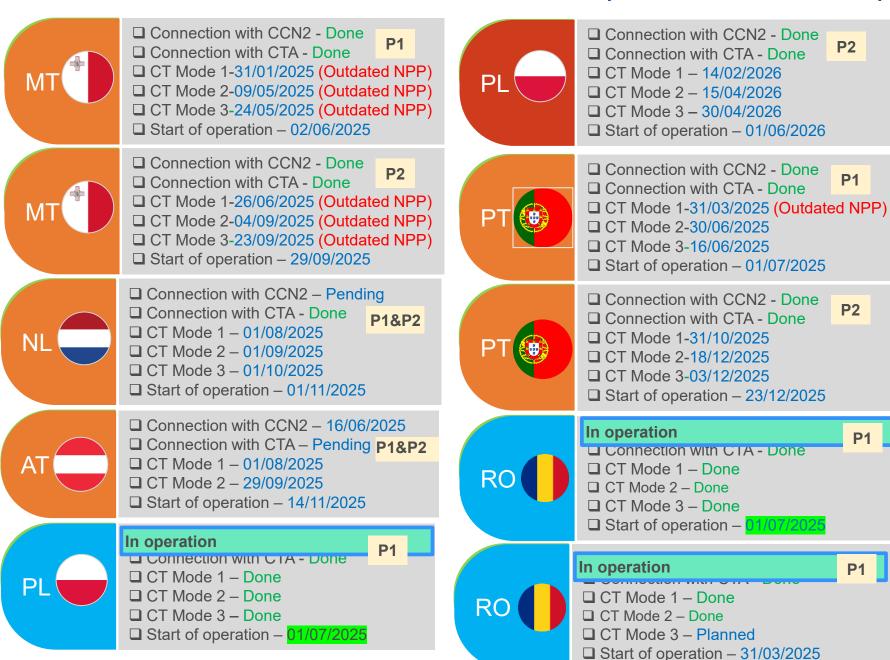


MSs Conformance Test and Start of operation – State of play (3/4)



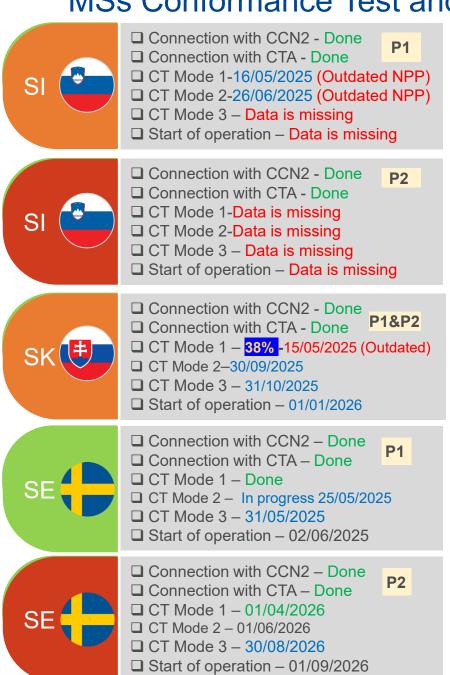


MSs Conformance Test and Start of operation – State of play (2/4)





MSs Conformance Test and Start of operation – State of play (4/4)







Applications/Authorisations CDS Statistics

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Support MSs in managing the CCI process of authorisation of Trade Community

- UCC CCI Project Group CPG/034 Open discussions on MSs' enquiries, challenges in granting CCI authorisations at EU level
- PICS Forum created to be used for:
- Sharing best practices and lessons learned on the communication and assistance to the traders during CCI authorisation process
- Exchanging information, initiate discussions on topics, related to authorisation process for CCI.
- November 2024 CCI Customs Business Group (CBG) meeting dedicated on CCI authorisation process
- March 2025 CCI CBG meeting dedicated on CCI authorization process

Practical Guide - useful information for CCI authorisation process at EU level - available

Agreement at CCI CBG in November 2024 to create a single source of information to support CCI authorisation process at EU level

- National contact points for VAT, Excise duties & Other national requirements
- Links to National Customs Administration Websites of MSs, where relevant information on EU CCI system and authorisations is available
- National Helpdesk technical/functional questions mailboxes

The CCI Practical Guide is published on Europa Website:

Centralised Clearance for Import - European Commission

The guide aims to facilitate the authorisation process for EU CCI by consolidating all necessary contact details and national-level information into a single, accessible document.



Active CCI Authorisations - 04/2025 - 1/4

	Customs Decision Reference		Procedure	Codes for type of
AMS	Number	MSs involved	codes	declarations used
AT	ATEOS1000002779	DE AT	40	3
AT	ATEOS1000002323	DE AT	40	3
AT	ATEOS1000133684	DE AT	40 I 71	113
BE	BECCLC2000005	BE PL	40	1
BE	BECCLC2000007	FR BE	10 31 40 71	1
BE	BECCLC1900003	PL AT	40 71	3
BE	BECCLC2100009	NL BE	40 71 31	1 3
BE	BECCLC2100010	NL BE	40 71 10 31	1 3 3
BE	BECCLC1900001	CZ BE	40 71	3
BE	BECCLBE000011-2024-D-CJL136015	BE NL	71	3
BE	BECCLBE000011-2024-D-HSE148824	CZ AT BE FR	40 51 61	3
BE	BECCLBE000011-2025-D-KKV161847	ES BE	10 40 21 61	1
CZ	CZCCLCZ530101-2019-JHR59103	CZ PL	71	3



Active CCI Authorisations - 04/2025 - 2/4

	Customs Decision Reference		Procedure	Codes for type of
AMS	Number	MSs involved	codes	declarations used
DE	DECCL3200Z2000003	DE AT	51	3
DE	DECCL3200Z2000004	DE AT	40	3
DE	DECCL7600Z2000001	DE BE	40 61	3
DE	DECCL3200Z2000001	HU ES FR IT DE	51	3
DK	DKCCLDK004700-2021-D-EEH93451	FR AT HU HR RO DE DK NL BE	10 40	3
DK	DKCCLDK004700-2021-D-PBV93460	DE NL IE XI BG SK DK HR BE GR HU RO FR	10 40	3
DK	DKCCLDK004700-2023-D-AVK116561	DK NL	40	3
DK	DKCCLDK004700-2022-D-VBK113004	BG HR DK IT	40 10	3
ES	ESCCL02022000009	ES FR	42	1
ES	ESCCL02020000033	FI BE NL ES	40 61 71	1 3
ES	ESCCL02019000023	NL ES PL	10 31 40 61 71 21 22	2 3



Active CCI Authorisations - 04/2025 - 3/4

	Customs Decision Reference		Procedure	Codes for type of
AMS	Number	MSs involved	codes	declarations used
FR	FRCCLFR930011-2012-D-ABC00001	BE FR	40 71 10 31	1 2
FR	FRCCLFR930011-2012-D-ABC000012	BE FR	40 71 10 31	1 2
FR	FRCCLFR930011-2012-D-ABC00001-1	BE FR	40 71 10 31	1 2
HU	HUCCLHU721000-2019-ACW62216	 CZ NL SK HU AT DE BG	40 10 31	3 2
IE	IECCLIENEN003-2024-D-EPK143664	IE NL	40	3
NL	NLCCLNL000568-2019-IUD56533	HU NL	40	3
NL	NLCCLNL000707-2019-TYO61642	NL DE CZ	40 71	3 3
NL	NLCCLNL000568-2019-MSA56837	DE NL PL BE	10 31 40 71	3
NL	NLCCLNL000703-2019-ZME55705	PL BE DE NL	40 71	3
NL	NLCCLNL00740001094	DE NL FR	40 10 31 71	3
NL	NLCCLNL000568-2019-FRC56673	AT DE IE NL	10 31 40	3
NL	NLCCLNL000707-2019-JJW55850	PL NL	40 31	3 3



Active CCI Authorisations - 04/2025 - 4/4

AMS	Customs Decision Reference Number	MSs involved	Procedure codes	Codes for type of declarations used
SI	SICCLSI00200624HU46940	RO FR SK SI GR DE BG IT AT HU HR	01	3
SI	SICCLSI00200617HU39710	HR AT DE SI FR	01	3
SI	SICCLSI00200624HU46942	HR FR IT DE SI HU BG AT GR	01	3
SI	SICCLSI002006-2022-D-MSQ97242	AT SI	40	3
SI	SICCLSI00200624HU46944	SK IT HR DE BG HU AT GR SI FR	40	3
SI	SICCLSI002006-2018-PGK28014	SI BG HR	40 10	3
SI	SICCLSI00200625HU47026	RO SK FR AT HR HU GR SI BG DE	40	3
Total	43			
1 Standard Declaration; 2 Simplified declaration; 3 Declaration made in the trader's system (EIDR)				

European Commission

Customs Decision System Statistics Active CCI Authorisations - 04/2025

AMS	Number	MSs involved	Procedure codes	Codes for type of declarations used
BE ES	4	BE PL FR ES	40 71 10 31 71 21 61 42	Authorisations with Standard declaration - operational use under CCI Phase 1
FR	3	BE FR	40 71 10 31	Authorisations with standard and simplified - operational use under CCI Phase 1
AT BE ES	4	AT DE NL BE FI ES	40 71 10 31 61	Authorisation with standard and EIDR - operational use under full CCI
ES HU	2	AT ES PL NL CZ SK HU BG	40 51 61	Authorisation with standard and EIDR - operational use under full CCI
AT BE CZ DE DK IE NL SI	30	AT PL CZ HU ES DE NL IE XI BG SK HR BE GR HU RO FR IT DK SI		Authorisations with EIDR - operational use under full CCI system
Total	43			



Customs Decision System Statistics CCI Applications, Decision not taken yet 04/2025

DTCA MS	Application Reference Number	Customs Decision Status	Status Date	Involved MS	Procedure Code(s)	Type of Declarati on Code(s)
BE	BECCLBE000011-2025-A-DFU158525	ACCEPTED	07-FEB-25	BE CZ	40	1
DE	DECCLDE009300-2025-A-HUN160061	ACCEPTED	26-FEB-25	ALL MSs	40	1
ES	ESCCL02020000029	ACCEPTED	10-SEP-20	BE ES NL	40 10 31 61 71	1 3
ES	ESCCL02025S00013	ACCEPTED	20-FEB-25	BE ES	42	1
FR	FRCCLFR930011-2022-A-ZAS99994	ACCEPTED	10-APR-22	DE ES FR	40	2
FR	FRCCLFR930016-2022-A-NLG110280	ACCEPTED	17-AUG-22	BE FR	40 71 51 53 44	2
FR	FRCCLFR001260-2022-A-GWU100888	ACCEPTED	01-MAY-22	BE FR	40	1
FR	FRCCLFR000720-2022-A-UGD115663	ACCEPTED	07-JAN-23	BE FR	10 40 31 42 51 53 71	1
FR	FRCCLFR930016-2024-A-GYF133871	ACCEPTED	04-FEB-24	BE FR	40	2
NL	NLCCLNL000566-2025-A-ZNT163235	ACCEPTED	22-APR-25	ALL MSs	40	1
PL	PLCCLPL390000-2025-A-ROI161403	ACCEPTED	28-APR-25	PL/RO	40	3
Total	11					

1 Standard Declaration; 2 Simplified declaration; 3 Declaration made in the trader's system (EIDR)





Update of CCI Business Guidance

--- State of play ---

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Update of CCI Business Guidance and accompanying slides

- Published for MSs' External Review Note Ref. Ares (2025) 2941208 of 10/04/2025
- Available on CIRCA BC under E-Customs:

E-customs – UCC CCI BUSINESS GUIDANCE

MSs were invited to provide feedback on the updated CCI Business Guidance and accompanying slides by **16/05**

Comments received from NA-SE within deadline and APOs have been prepared



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TCG - UCC CCI BUSINESS GUIDANCE

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Late comments received from European Express Association (EEA) - APOs is under preparation





CCI Business Guidance Explanations on applications/authorisations for CCI

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CCI Business Guidance Explantations on applications/autorisations for CCI

• Chapter 7 - Application and Authorisation for the use of CCI: provides information for EOs interested in using CCI simplification, how in practice to apply for CCI authorisation.

• Chapter 8 - Use of CCI authorisation in combination with other authorisations: provides information, aiming to establish common understanding for the use of other authorisation in combination with CCI authorisation under CCI.



Authorised Economic Operators (AEO)

What is AEO

An **Economic Operator** is a person who, in the course of his/ her business, is involved in activities covered by the customs legislation.

An EO established in the customs territory of the Union and who meets the criteria set out in Article 39 of the UCC may apply for the status of **Authorised Economic Operator**.

The available type of certification for CCI is the **AEOC** – AEO authorised for Customs Simplifications.

Benefits	AEOC
Easier admittance to customs simplifications	\
Fewer physical and document-based controls related to other customs legislation	~
Prior notification in case of selection for customs control (related to other customs legislation)	~
Priority treatment if selected for control	✓
Possibility to request a specific place for customs control	~



There are also some indirect benefits: fewer delayed shipments, improved customer services, reduced theft and losses, improved customs loyalty, etc.



Application and Authorisation for use of CCI

EOs interested in using CCI simplification submit an application to the competent customs authorities, which may grant an authorisation. The applicant for the authorisation for CCI is an **AEO** for customs simplifications.

The competent Customs Authority to apply shall be in principle that of the place where the applicant's main accounts for customs purposes are held.

To submit an application an EO has to:

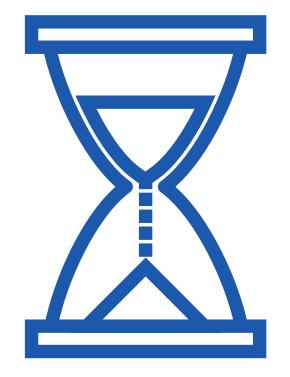
- ✓ Connect to the EU Trader Portal;
- ✓ Successfully log in the EU Trader Portal;
- ✓ Create a new application directly in the system user interface;
- ✓ Select code CCL-Application or authorisation for centralised clearance
 in the Customs decision type selection page.





Application and Authorisation Acceptance -Time limits

- ✓ Acceptance of application and granting authorisation 120 days at least
- ✓ Apply for it at least 120 days before EO intends to use CCI;
- ✓ Competent customs authority to **take a decision** at the latest within 120 days of date of acceptance of the application. Can be extended by 30 days;
- ✓ Customs authorities to verify whether the conditions for the acceptance of that application are **fulfilled** within 30 days of receipt of the application;
- ✓ If all required information given, acceptance of the application to be notified within same deadline:
- ✓ If required information not complete, the applicant has an additional period of maximum 30 days to provide it, as from the moment customs authorities requested this information.



When no feedback from the customs authorities concerning the application, it shall be considered as accepted.



The date of acceptance is the date of submission of the application or additional information, if requested.



Consultation Procedure Before Issuing CCI Authorisation

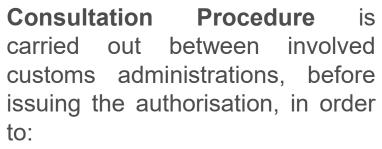




Economic Operator submits an application to the concerned Customs Authorities in order to grant a CCI Authorisation.







- ✓ Discuss and agree all the relevant data and information between the stakeholders (e.g., time-limits, location of goods, description of the goods, commodity, prohibitions and restrictions);
- ✓ Agree and register in the authorisation all the national requirements/documents and VAT requirements of the PCI.





Authorisation is granted
The applicant for the
authorisation is an
Authorised Economic
Operator for Customs
Simplifications (AEOC).

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After the lodgement of Customs Declaration (IE415), SCI is responsible to check and validate the authorisation for CCI.



CCI Authorisations

EOs should consider which declaration types and customs procedures will use under CCI authorization and indicate them in their CCI application conceding:

Authorisations for special procedures for which CC will be used, to be granted beforehand or to apply simultaneously

Authorisations for the use of EIDR for which CC will be used, to be granted beforehand or simultaneously

Authorisations for the use of simplified declaration, to be granted beforehand or simultaneously

Authorisation for the deferment of payment, if deferred payment will be applied under CCI, to be granted beforehand or simultaneously



Use of CCI Authorisation in Combination with other Authorisations

A CCI authorisation can be combined with:

- ✓ An authorisation for EIDR or an authorisation for the use of simplified declaration. The holder of both authorisations should be one and the same. The SCI indicated in both authorisations should be also one and the same
- ✓ An authorisation for end-use or authorisation for inward processing, or authorisation for customs warehousing, or authorisation for the use of temporary admission procedure

DIs to be aligned between CCI authorisation and special procedure authorisations:

- ✓ Customs Office of Placement: at least one customs office of placement, specified in the authorisation for the use of the special procedure, should be the same as SCI
- ✓ Supervising Customs Office: it is recommended that SCI is also SCI for the special procedure.
 - This is not possible for special procedure temporary admission. The authorising MS for CCI and TA authorisation, will always be different.

The holder of the CCI authorisation should be also the holder for End use, IP authorisation, Temporary Admission and Private warehousing authorisation. For all these types of authorisations only the holder of the authorisation can be the holder of the procedure.

The holder of the CCI authorisation can declare goods for placing them in a public customs warehouse, without being the holder of the authorisation for operation of a public warehousing facility.





Challenges in granting CCI authorisations without having CCI system – follow up of the previous CBG meeting.

Agenda item 5

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Regulation (EU) 2016/341

Article 18

Means of exchange of information for centralised clearance

1. Until the respective dates of deployment of the UCC Centralised Clearance for Import system (CCI) and the AES referred to in the Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/255/EU (2023/2879), the customs authorities involved in a centralised clearance authorisation shall cooperate to set out arrangements to ensure compliance with Article 179(4) and (5) of the Code.



Regulation (EU) 2016/341

Article 20

Rejection of an application for centralised clearance

Until the respective dates of deployment of the CCI and the AES referred to in the Annex to Implementing Decision 2014/255/EU (2023/2879), the customs authority competent to take a decision may reject applications for centralised clearance where the authorisation would create a disproportionate administrative burden.



UCC Work Programme Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/2879

UCC Centralised Clearance for Import (CCI)

This project aims to allow goods to be placed under a customs procedure using centralised clearance, allowing economic operators to centralise their business from a customs viewpoint. The processing of the customs declaration and the physical release of the goods should be coordinated between the related customs offices. It concerns a trans-European system containing components developed centrally and nationally.

The project will be implemented in two phases.

Phase 1: This phase will cover centralised clearance with standard customs declarations and may cover centralised clearance with simplified customs declarations and the respective general or periodic supplementary declarations (regularising one simplified customs declaration). In addition, it will cover the placing of goods under the following customs procedures: release for free circulation, customs warehousing, inward processing and enduse. For the type of goods this phase will cover all types of goods with the exception of excise goods, EU goods in the context of trade with special fiscal territories and goods subject to common agricultural policy measures.

Phase 2: The aim of this phase is to implement all the functionalities under the full CCI scope: simplified and supplementary declarations (if not implemented under Phase 1), the customs declarations through an entry in the declarant's records and the recapitulative supplementary declarations (regularising more than one simplified customs declaration or more than one entry in the declarant's records), the placing of goods under the temporary admission procedure, excise goods, EU goods in the context of trade with special fiscal territories and goods subject to common agricultural policy measures.

	and 179, Article 278(3)(d) of	Target date of technical specifications = Q3 2020
5	No 952/2013	

Target date of technical	
specifications	
= Q2 2022	- 1

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2.10.2023	2.6.2
(Phase 2)	(Pha

1.3.2022

(Phase 1)

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1.7.2024

(Phase 1)

Conclusion

Article 20 UCC-TDA does not apply, as of 3 June 2025

Which means that:

As of 3 June 2025, Customs authorities should not reject an application for a CCI authorisation on the basis that the authorisation would create a disproportionate administrative burden.



Challenges in granting CCI authorisations

Tour de Table

This roundtable discussion aims to provide a valuable opportunity for us to learn from each other's CCI journeys and challenges

Please share your experience with CCI authorisation process





Inquiries and challenges faced by MSs and traders related to the management of the applications and authorisations for CCI and best practices.

Agenda item 6 and 7

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Discussion related to CCI authorisation process - inquiries and challenges

Topics proposed by NL and BE

Available on PICS FORUM:

CCI application and authorisations at EU level | Programme Information and Collaboration Space





AOB and closure

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