

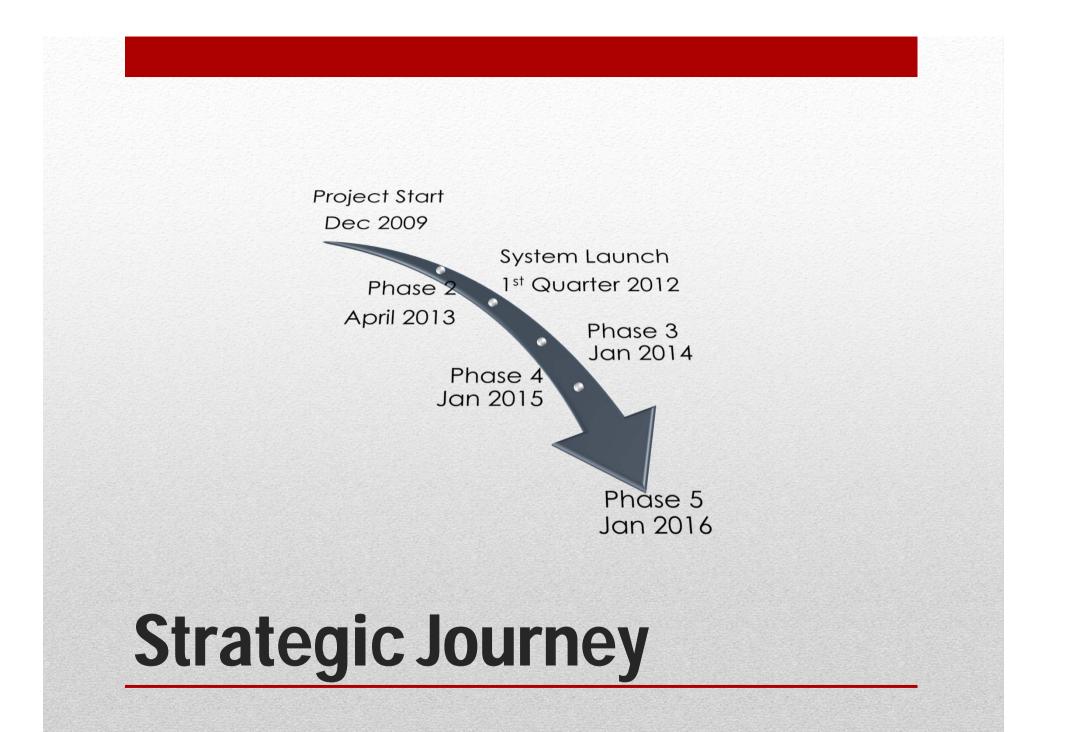




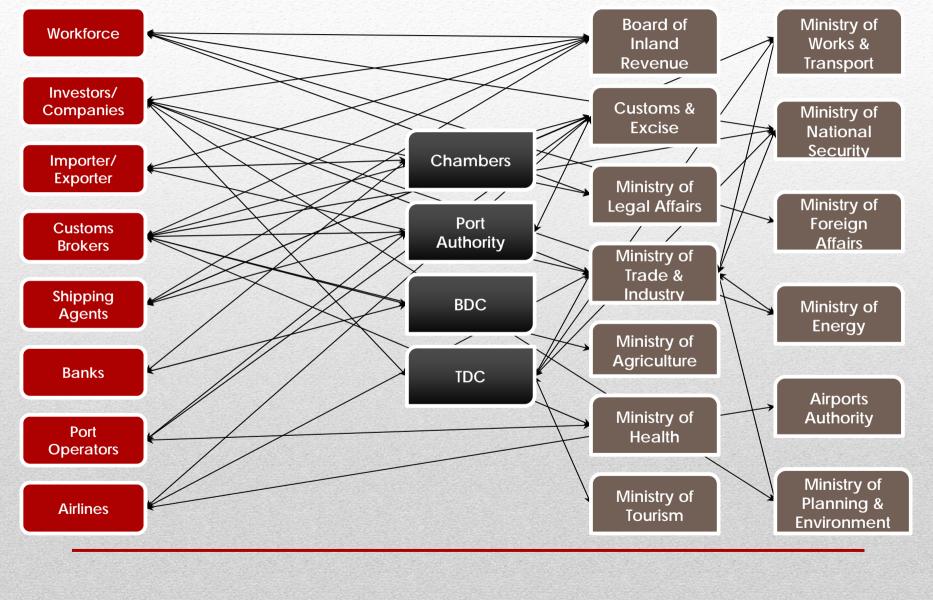
# TTBizLink and the CARICOM Case

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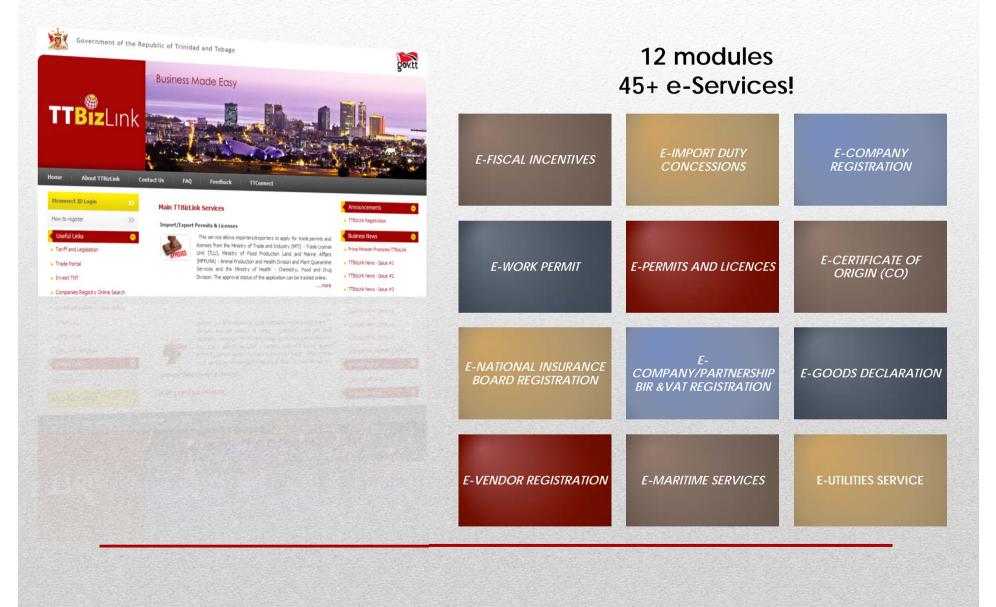


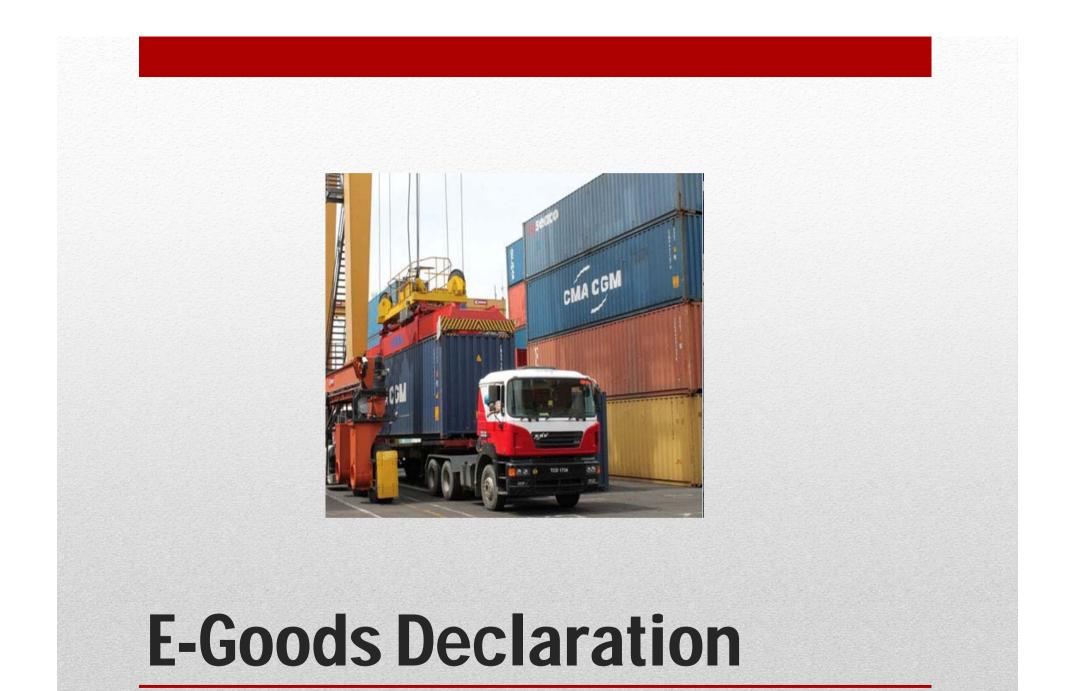
#### Trade & Business Environment in 2009

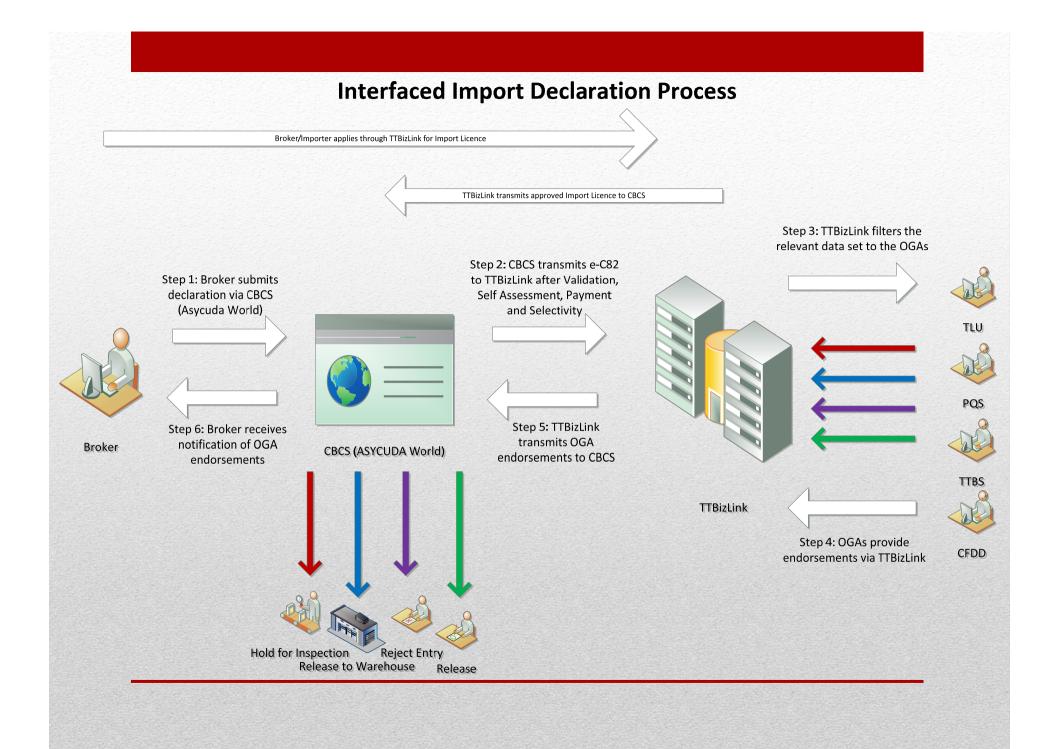


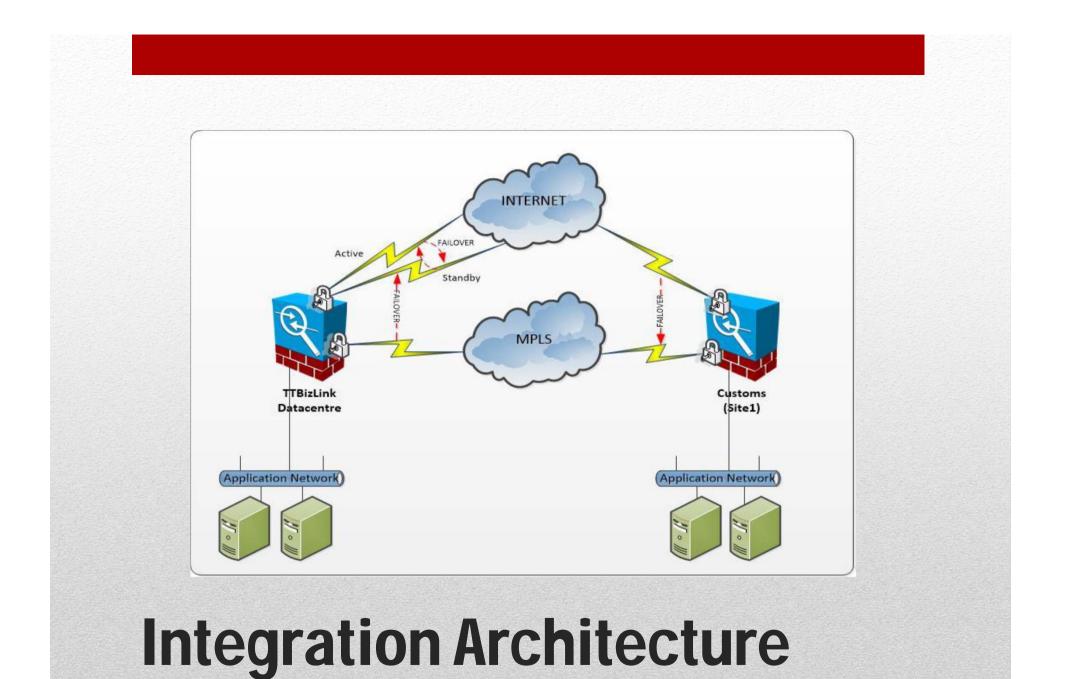


#### **TTBizLink Modules**







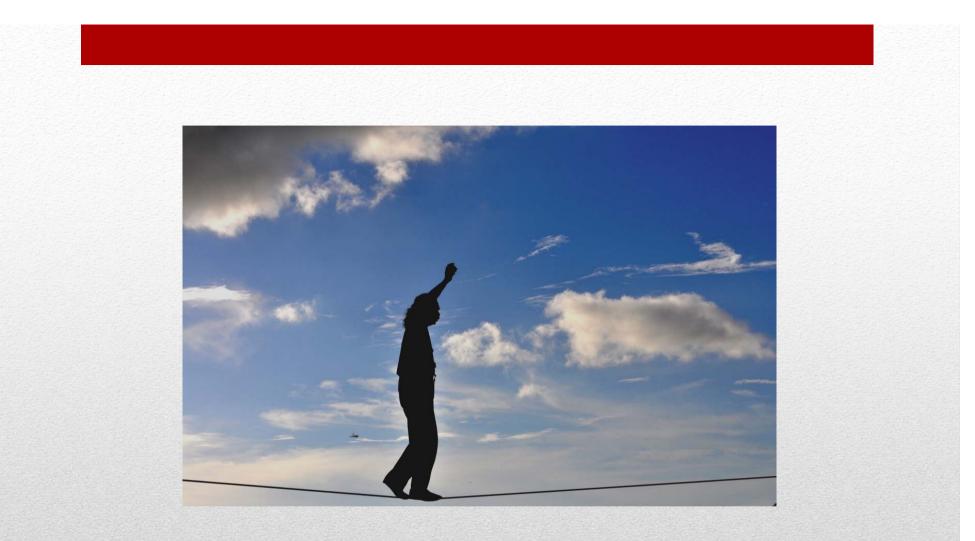


- Reduction in Items seen by other regulatory agencies
- Improvements in processing times
- Reduction in paper transactions

#### Achievements

- P&L Pesticides and Toxic Chemicals; Drug Inspectorate
- GD Pesticides and Toxic Chemicals
- Risk Management
- Mobile Inspections
- Business Intelligence

#### **New Additions**

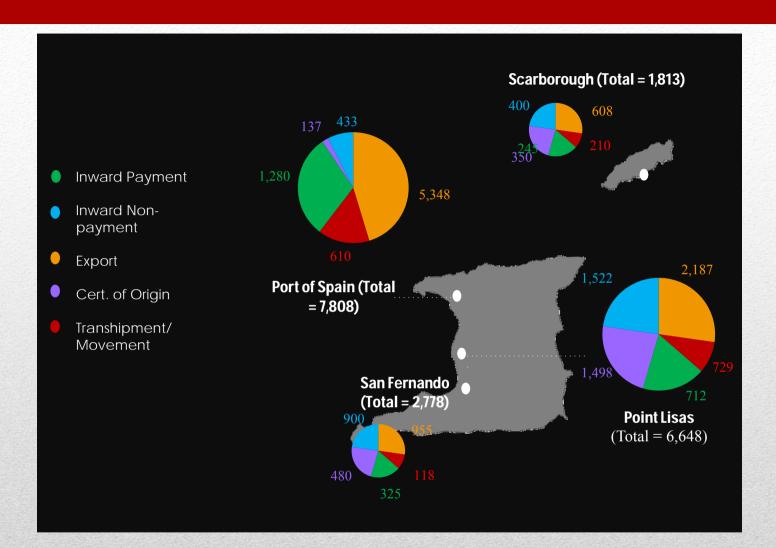


#### **Risk Management**

#### Mobile Inspections

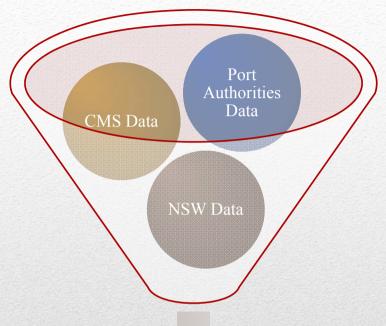


- Physical inspections onsite
- Access to pertinent up-to-date information
- Immediate clearance of goods after inspection



#### **Business Intelligence**

#### Trade Visualization System



TVS provides the tools to aggregate the data and the channels where trade data can be visualized and analyzed







Commonwealth Association for Public Administration and Management

#### Certificate of Achievement

CAPAM takes great pleasure in recognizing

TTBizLink Ministry of Trade, Industry, Investment and Communications **Trinidad and Tobago** 

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as a Finalist in the 2014 International Innovations Awards. The submission has been recognized as being innovative and an exemplary model in the following awards category:

Innovation in Government Services and Programmes

Say Hamilton Ms. Gay Hamilton Executive Director & CEO 



The Diamond Standard Award received by the TTBizLink Team. The TLU Team received the same award personalized to its Unit.

#### Recognition

#### What's Next?

 IDB Loan to improve the trade performance and enhance the competitiveness of Trinidad and Tobago through the strengthening of the SEW

US\$25 million over a 5 year period

#### **IDB** Project

- Optimize and simplify foreign trade and business processes required by key government agencies to reduce time and costs
- Improve interoperability among national government institutions and with main international trading partners
- Modernize the governance and the institutional framework of the SEW

### **Project Objectives**

#### **Update on CARICOM**

- 1. Sharing of lessons learned and good practices
- 2. Opportunity to discuss stakeholders' technical assistance and lending needs
- 3. Highlighted the role that Trinidad and Tobago can play in the region as a leader in this area and a champion for implementing national Single Windows and future interoperability

#### Results

- 4. Countries committed to reviewing the OECD indicators on Single Windows, the interoperability matrix, and to supporting ratification and implementation of the WTO agreement on trade facilitation
- Positioned the Bank as a strong partner both in the wider Trade Facilitation agenda and in the design and execution of national Single Windows.

#### **Results Cont'd**

- The Bahamas, Barbados and Jamaica are all moving forward with support from IDB Bank
- Trinidad and Tobago is also developing a program with the IDB for a next iteration of its Single Window
- Guyana, Suriname and Belize have not yet initiated the design of their national Single Windows but remain interested and will reach out to the Bank when they are ready to begin

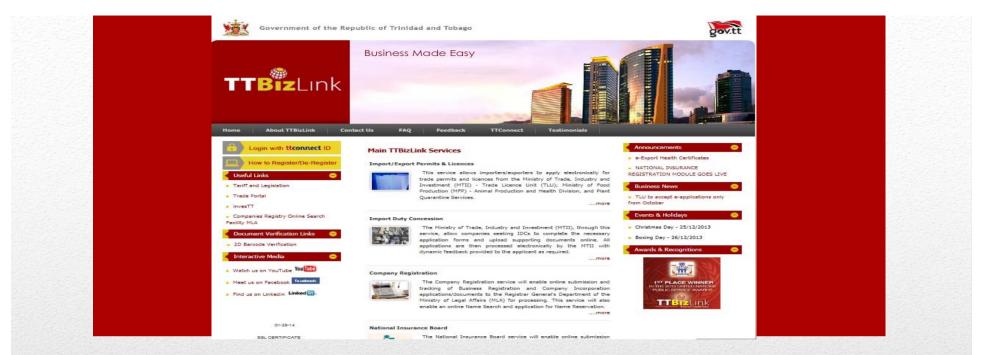
### **Single Window Status**

- Development of a regional legal framework in the Caribbean for interoperability
- Provision to allow cross-border electronic exchange of data in bilateral and regional agreements in order to realize interoperability
- Proposal to create a Single Window Technical Working Group at the level of the Customs Committee of COTED

#### **T&T Leadership Role**

 At the 11 June 2015 meeting of the WTO's Preparatory Committee on Trade Facilitation (PCTF), new Category A notifications were received from Dominica, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Antigua and Barbuda, Grenada and Trinidad and Tobago

#### **Other TFA Provisions**



## Thank you!

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