## Official ASYCUDA World Launch ceremony in Cap Verde

The official launch ceremony for ASYCUDAWorld in Cape Verde was held on Tuesday January 12<sup>th</sup> 2016 in Praia in the presence of Ms. Cristina Duarte, Minister of Finance and Planning and Mr. Pinto Teixeira, Ambassador and Head of Delegation of the European Union.

Cape Verdean customs was one of the first countries to use ASYCUDA in 1985. They implemented the first version of the system which was dedicated to the exploitation of statistical data and was installed at Customs Headquarters. Versions 2 and 3 (ASYCUDA ++) were installed in customs offices in the early 1990s and 2003 respectively.

The latest version of ASYCUDA was implemented live in Cape Verde on Monday September 14th 2015 in all offices of the archipelago. Furthermore, it should be noted that Cape Verde was the first ASYCUDA country to use PostgreSQL as a relational database management system instead of Oracle for their live system.

The installation of ASYCUDAWorld has already completely dematerialized the processing of manifests and declarations and their attached documents (they are not lodged to Customs services but they are scanned and attached to the declarations sent electronically). Moreover, existing specific locally developed features have been integrated into ASYCUDAWorld and interfaces have been developed for the management of exemptions, licenses and single payment. The exchange of information (including the exit note) with the JUP system at the port authorities (ENAPOR) are under development and will be integrated in Q1 2016.

The implementation of ASYCUDAWorld in Cape Verde was done within the framework of a technical assistance project signed in April 2014 with the European Union and which they financed. This project is scheduled to end on 30 June. By that date, it is expected that the capacity of the customs IT team will be further enhanced, further advanced functional training will be provided, connectivity with the JUP system of ENAPOR will be established and new features on customs control (dynamic risk analysis in particular) will be implemented.

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