Overview: Tajikistan increased its overall implementation of trade facilitation measures from 49% in 2015 to 51% in 2017. Its level of implementation is slightly lower than the UNECE region’s average (69%), but above that of the Central Asian sub-region (41%). Among the six categories, Institutional Arrangements have seen the biggest improvement in implementation levels, rising from 44% in 2015 to 56% in 2017. Tajikistan has been consistently maintaining its rate of__

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1 Central Asian countries for calculation purposes: Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan
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Implementation in the other categories. Implementation of all these other categories is above the Central Asia rate of implementation.

**Spotlight:**
Tajikistan improved its performance in Institutional Arrangements related measures, including the establishment of a National Trade Facilitation Committee in 2016. In addition, Tajikistan is also one of the few countries in the region with full implementation of average release times for traders, which has contributed to the improvement of its performance on Transparency.

**Moving up the trade facilitation ladder:**

Tajikistan has been moving up the trade facilitation ladder and has been performing relatively well in the Central Asian context. Given that Tajikistan is continuing to improve Institutional Arrangements, which is an important foundation for trade facilitation reforms, Tajikistan may also focus its efforts on systematically improving its performance by helping the traders’ ability to apply and obtain necessary certificates electronically, as well as facilitating the electronic exchange of trade-related cross border electronic data between agencies. To do this, it would be necessary for Tajikistan to put in place a legally enabling regulatory environment, as well as electronic trade systems that would support this advancement.

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