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Customs face two contradictory goals



FACILITATION

- Simplify Procedures
- Reduce Cost of Clearance
- Support Economic Growth

Technology helps reduce the tension

SECURITY & SAFETY

- Reduce non-compliance
- Protect national Interests
- Ensure Supply Chain Security

Data Analytics in Customs

X-Ray image detection

Automatically find illicit

goods in bags/ cargo

Data Analytics can be used for all aspects of Customs:



Fraud detection Find goods that with high illicitness probability



HS Code Classification

Recommends HS Codes based on description of goods

> **High-Risk Passenger Selectivity** Network Visualization, Risk profile generation



Time Release Study Identify bottlenecks and find ways to optimize



Data

Experts

BACUDA Project

Objective:

Building practical capacities of customs data analytics capabilities **Collaborative work on 3 main pillars:**





Algorithm Creation/ Testing Open Source algorithms in Python tailored towards needs of Members, tested with real transactional data



National/Regiona I Workshops, Scholarships, Online Courses, Diagnostic Missions, etc.



Achievements



Capacity Building Data Analytics Framework

Including Accreditation & Regional Events

Practical Algorithms for Customs



DATE Algorithm (Fraud detection, Revenue Prediction), AI HS (HS **Code Classification**)



Online **Courses/Offline** Workshops

Data Analytics Beginner/Intermediate/ Advanced course, **Regional/National** Workshops, Scholarships



Data Quality Guideline



Two online courses and a **guideline** to provide ready to use solutions for Customs Organizations



Data Cleansing Course

Improving quality of existing data using open source methods



Data Standardisation Course

Ensuring high quality of newly collected data



Data Quality Guideline

Holistic document to ensure high quality data in an organization



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