



Authorised Economic Operators (AEO) – Benefits for Ports and Shipping

Why AEO certification?

- There is no real supply chain optimization effort/project without looking how to improve the customs clearance component
- AEO is a global concept – there is no better application of AEO benefits than in the **Global business of Ports & Shipping**
- Customs clearance can be a bottleneck in Ports and Shipping business who wants the goods to leave the Port as fast and as secure as possible

AEO – a Global Concept

Americas and Caribbean (16)

Argentina	SAOC	Export
Brazil	AEO	Import/export
Canada	PIP	Import/export
Colombia	AEO	Import/export
Costa Rica	PROFAC	Export
Dominican R	AEO	Import/export
Ecuador	AEO	Export
Guatemala	AEO	Import/export
Jamaica	AEO	Import/export
Mexico	NEEC	Import/export
Nicaragua	AEO	Import/export
Panama	AEO	Import/export
Peru	AEO	Export
Uruguay	QEO	Import/export
USA	C-TPAT	Import

Middle East and Northern Africa (3)

Egypt	AEO	Import/export
Jordan	Golden List	Import/export
Morocco	AEO	Import/export

East and Southern Africa (3)

Burundi	AEO	Import/export
Kenya	AEO	Import/export
Uganda	AEO	Import/export

Asia Pacific (12)

Australia	ATT	Import/export
China	CME	Import/export
HK, China	AEO	Import/export
India	AEO	Import/export
Indonesia	AEO	Export
Japan	AEO	Import/export
Korea	AEO	Import/export
Malaysia	AEO	Import/export
New Zealand	SES	Export
Singapore	STP	Import/export
Thailand	AEO	Import/Export
Vietnam	AEO	Import/export

Europe (35)

Andorra	AEO	Import/export
EU	AEO	Import/export
Israel	AEO	Import/export
Moldova,	AEO	Import/export
Norway	AEO	Import/export
Serbia	AEO	Import/export
Switzerland	AEO	Import/export
Turkey	AEO	Import/export



Source: WCO - Compendium of AEO Programmes



AEO Certified Companies within the European Union

15.313 AEO certified companies within the EU

1. Germany – 6094
2. Netherlands – 1538
3. Italy – 1237
4. Poland – 818
5. UK – 601

Estonia - 31

Source: <http://ec.europa.eu/taxat>



AEO – Key Benefits

- **AEO benefits:**

- ✓ Speed up customs clearance
- ✓ Predictability of customs clearance and hence shipments
- ✓ No more waiting times in customs
- ✓ Financial benefits
 - ✓ decrease / waiver of customs guarantees
 - ✓ deferral in payment of import duties

- **AEO certification generates large scale efficiencies for all the partners in the supply chain**

Prior notification for customs control

Favorable treatment on risk analysis and frontier customs checks (Art. 24 UCC)

Where an AEO certified company submits:



And consignment **has been selected for customs inspection**, before arrival of the goods on the EU customs territory → customs office of first entry, notifies the AEO in this respect.



Notification must be made available also to transporter, if different from the AEO, conditioned that the transporter is an AEO

Entry into declarants records

“Entry into declarants records” procedure can be upgraded for AEO certified companies to include:

- On the spot customs clearance in the warehouse of the AEO company. No more notifications to customs authorities in advance but at a later stage only.
- AEO companies may submit customs declarations outside the normal working hours of customs officers



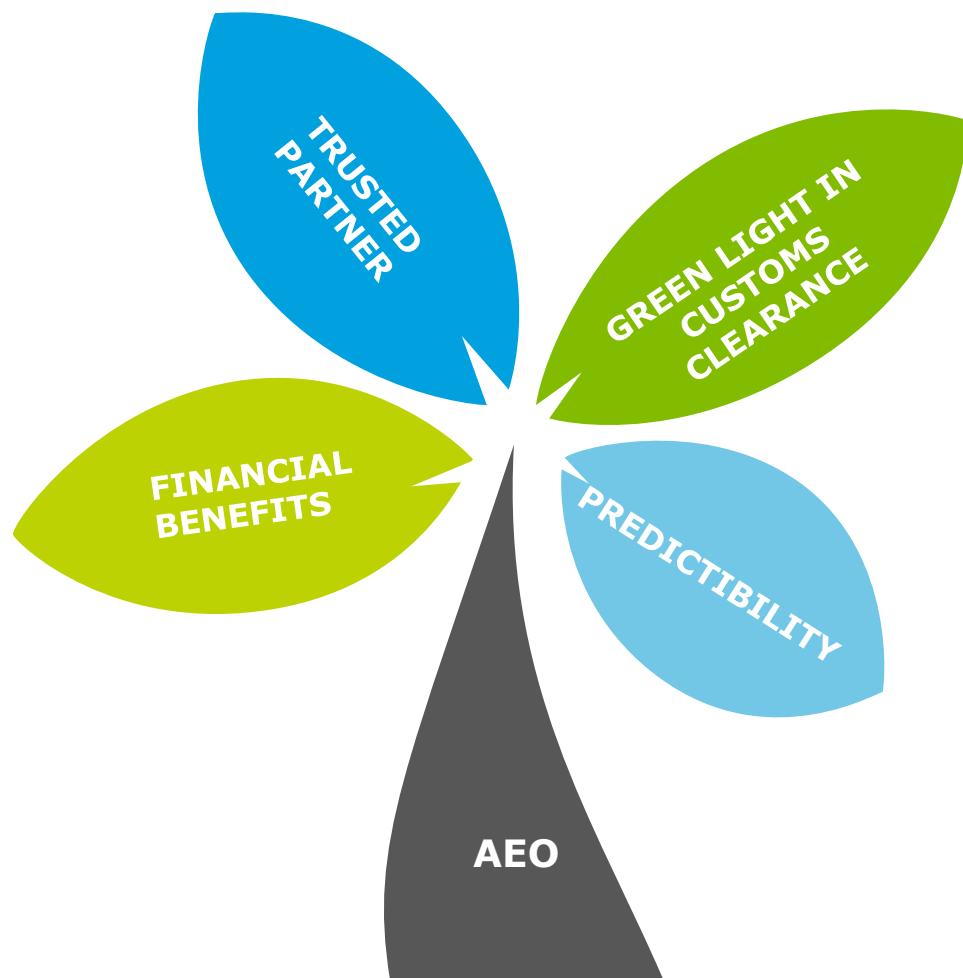
Financial benefits for AEO

- **Besides supply chain optimization, the AEO certification gives financial benefits**
- **AEO benefits:**
 - ✓ Use of one global guarantee for all customs operations,
 - ✓ Which can be further reduced or even waived for AEOs
 - ✓ 30 day deferral in payment of import duties (customs duties and VAT)
- **Financial benefits above can further speed up customs clearance process**

Who can apply for an AEO certification?

- ✓ **Any economic operator established on the EU Customs Territory who is involved in customs operations, such as:**
 - Manufacturers
 - Traders
 - Transporters / Shipping lines
 - Terminal operators
 - Owners of warehouses and other storage facilities
 - Customs brokers

Final word – There is never a stop for what AEO can enjoy!



AEO benefits evolve and increase year by year!

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