Using digital tools to facilitate the movement of physical goods across borders

PRINCIPLES

Promote the online availability and submission of government trade compliance documents among partners with enduring paper-based processes.

Promote data as acceptable evidence for Government trade compliance processes.

Promote digital documents as sufficient for the processes that they respond to.
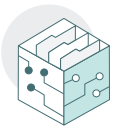
ACTIONS TO CONSIDER

Work with domestic agencies to determine what changes in settings are needed to enable and encourage the private sector to digitise its trade processes, including in trade agreements.

Consider aligning ambitions and resourcing for DEPA and other commitments, post-signature.

Drive effective implementation of the digitisation of trade processes among other government agencies, to demonstrate leadership abroad.

Review and prioritise engagement in international digital trade forums, with partner agencies.

Managing the storage, location and flows of data

PRINCIPLES

Seek to remove restrictions on the flow of data across borders.

Participate in setting, and promoting alignment with, international standards on the exchange and interoperability of data.

Seek the removal of data localisation requirements, while maintaining the right to regulate for legitimate policy purposes.

Māori and digital trade

PRINCIPLES

Protect the Crown's ability to meet its responsibilities and obligations to Māori under Te Tiriti o Waitangi/Treaty of Waitangi.

Acknowledge the Crown's responsibility and obligation to work in partnership with Māori and facilitate pathways to enable influence and decision-making in an evolving and changing environment.

ACTIONS TO CONSIDER

Develop and communicate a clear statement on how Te Tiriti o Waitangi/Treaty of Waitangi applies to digital trade.

Bolster cross-agency collaboration to support Māori participation and representation in the digital economy, including digital trade.

Create mechanisms to make digital trade opportunities and threats more visible to Māori so they can anticipate and respond to them.

Continue developing an understanding of mātauranga Māori, including how it could be treated in future trade treaties and digital trade chapters.

Future engagement on digital trade

ACTION TO CONSIDER

Ensure communication of opportunities and trade-offs in digital trade is clear and transparent to both stakeholders, and Te Tiriti o Waitangi/Treaty of Waitangi partners.

Preparing for new technology

PRINCIPLES

Remain technology-agnostic, and respect governments' right to regulate to protect against emerging threats.

Trust in the digital world

PRINCIPLES

Ensure New Zealand's Privacy standards are upheld online and seek mutual recognition arrangements.

Push for cooperation on cyber security matters, including sharing best practice among trading partners.

Promote the application of measures to manage unsolicited marketing messages, and enforcement on scams and fraud.

Promote standards development, alignment, interoperability and cooperation on digital identities.

Promote the same levels of protection for online consumers as any other consumers.

Promote cooperation on matters relating to digitising the physical world and ensure the government's right to regulate.

Weightless trading

PRINCIPLES

Seek protections for source code and encryption keys in our export markets.

Seek the prohibition of customs duties on electronic transactions and non-discrimination of digital products.

ACTIONS TO CONSIDER

Advocate for a modern, international level playing field in digital trade.

Consider New Zealand's approaches to relationship management with large technology firms.

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