

Trade facilitation work and activities in support of TACB

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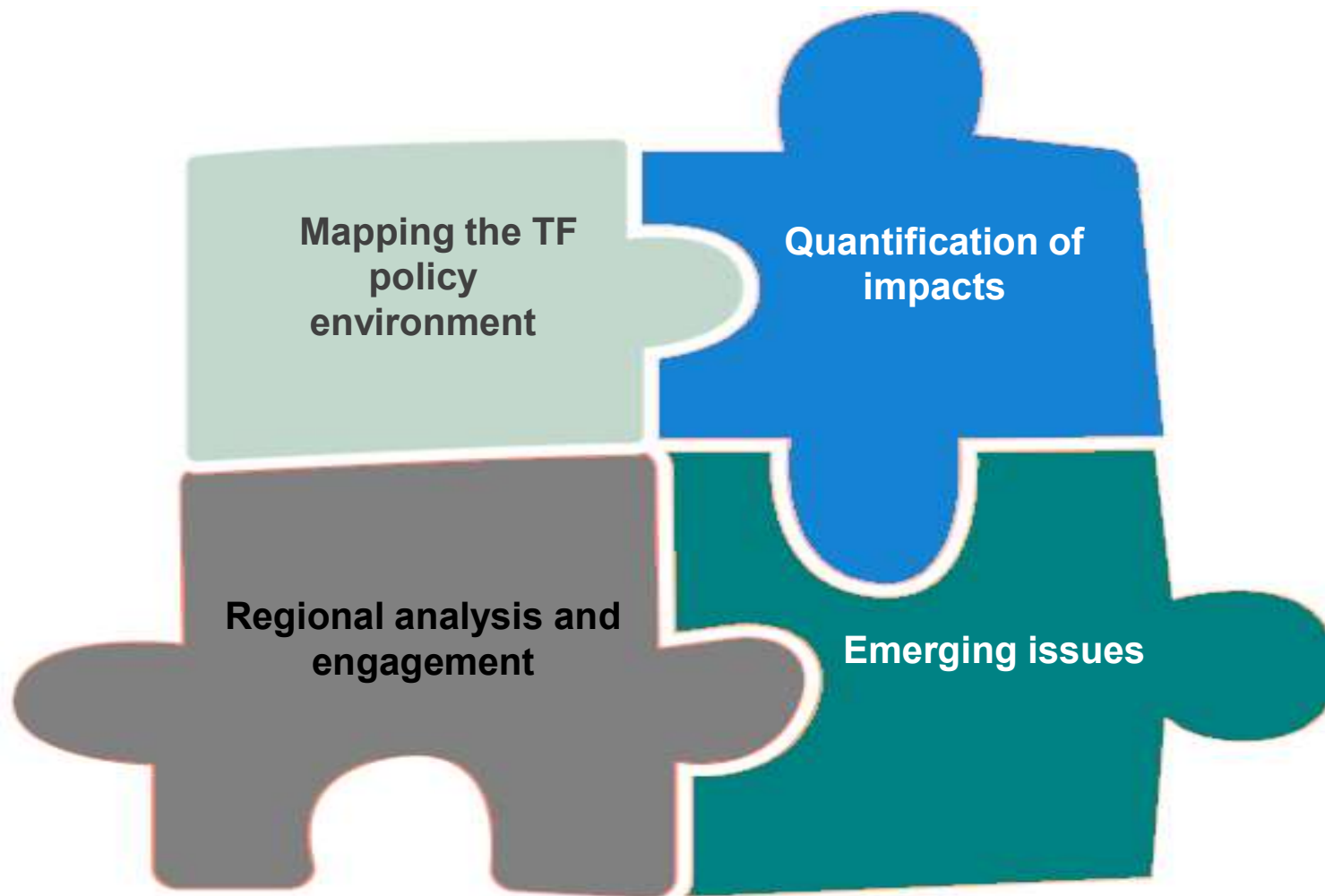
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Trade Facilitation work in the context of Technical Assistance and Capacity Building

1) Mapping the TF policy environment

- OECD Trade Facilitation Indicators (TFIs)
- Emerging issues: digital tools for trade facilitation and a trade facilitation lens to a product's environmental lifecycle

2) Impacts of trade facilitation

- Trade costs and trade flows
- Enhancing trade relationships and enabling new ones
- Regulatory frameworks for trade facilitation and implementation in practice

3) Regional and country analysis drawing on the TFIs

Mapping the TF policy environment: OECD Trade Facilitation Indicators (TFIs)



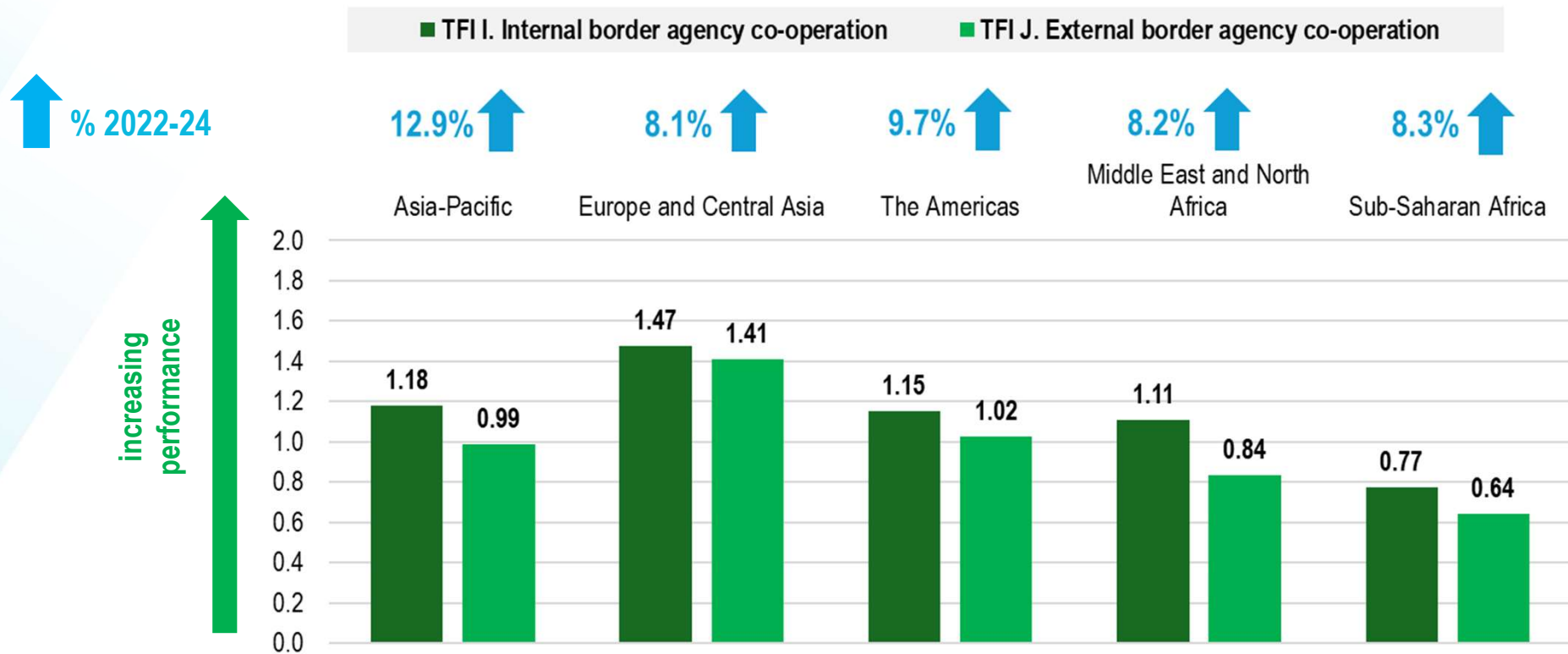
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- **Policy tools: 11 policy indicators & 155 measures**
 - Information availability
 - Consultations with traders
 - Advance rulings, appeal procedures, fees and charges
 - Trade-related documentary requirements
 - Automating and streamlining procedures
 - Domestic and cross-border agency co-operation
 - Governance and impartiality
- **163 economies & data since 2012**
- Updated every 2 years, the most recent data released in **March 2025** (next update 2026-27)



Mapping the TF policy environment: OECD Trade Facilitation Indicators (TFIs)

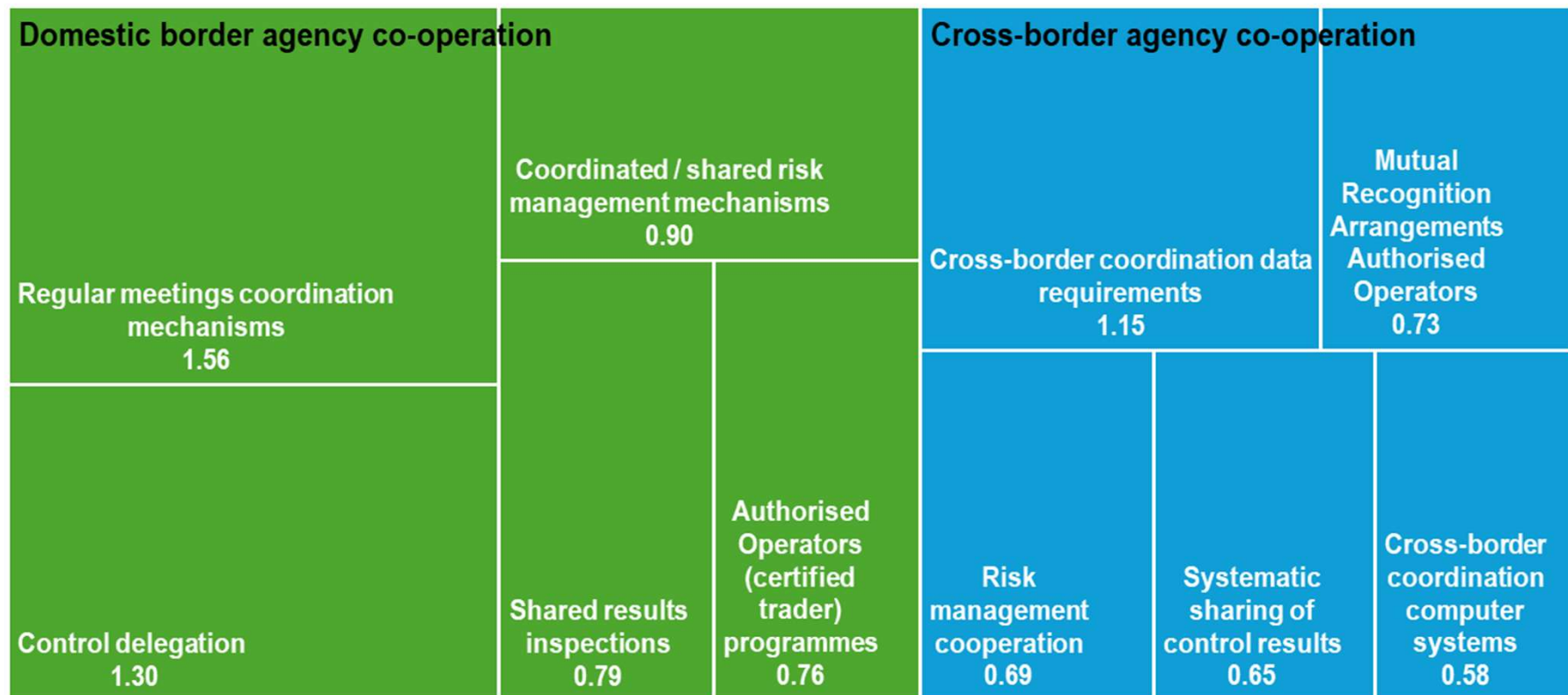


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Mapping the TF policy environment: **OECD Trade Facilitation Indicators (TFIs)**

The contribution of specific measures (%) to improvements in border agency co-operation



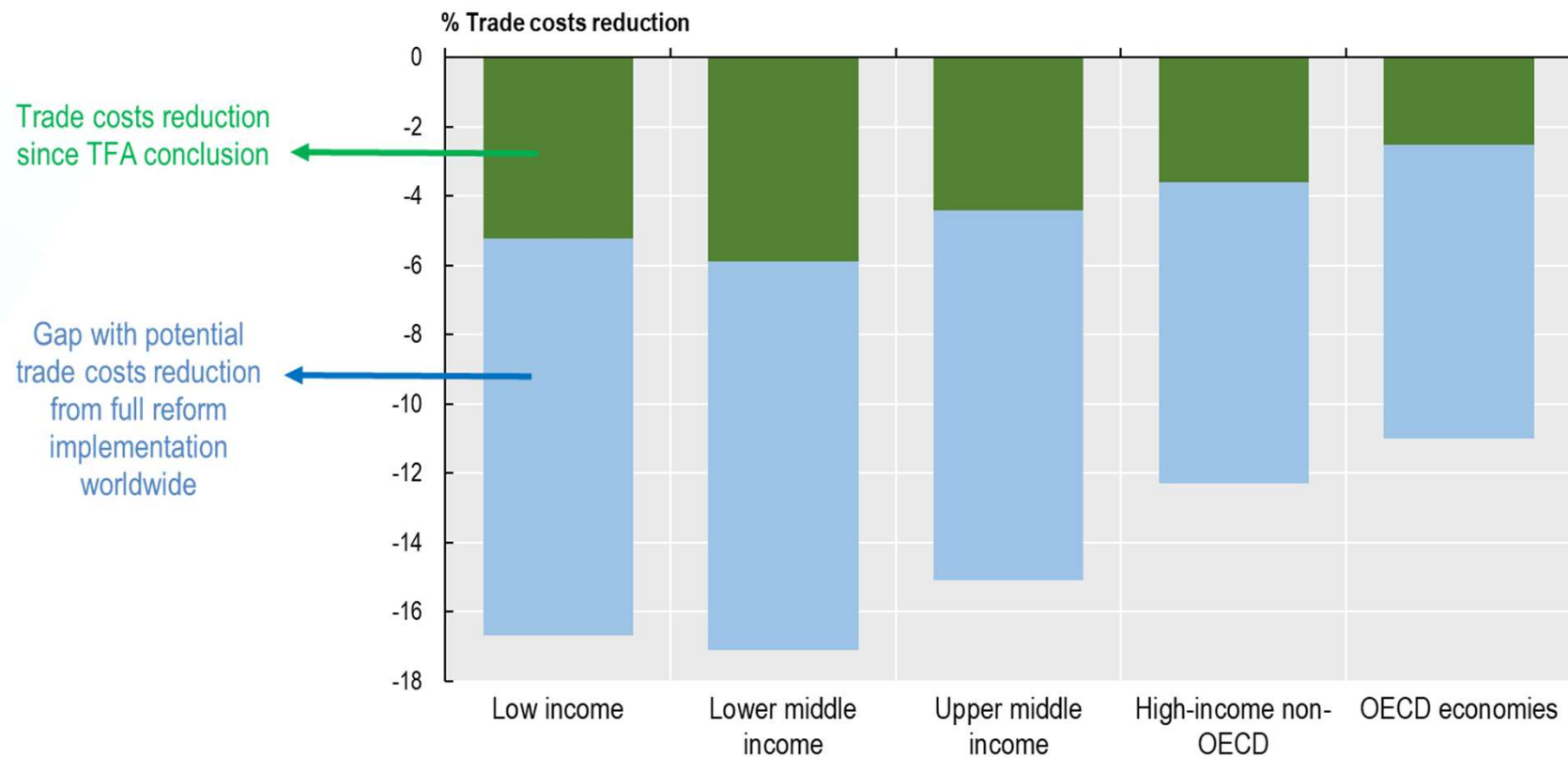
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(2) Impacts of trade facilitation: Trade costs

The evolving role of trade facilitation policies in reducing trade costs

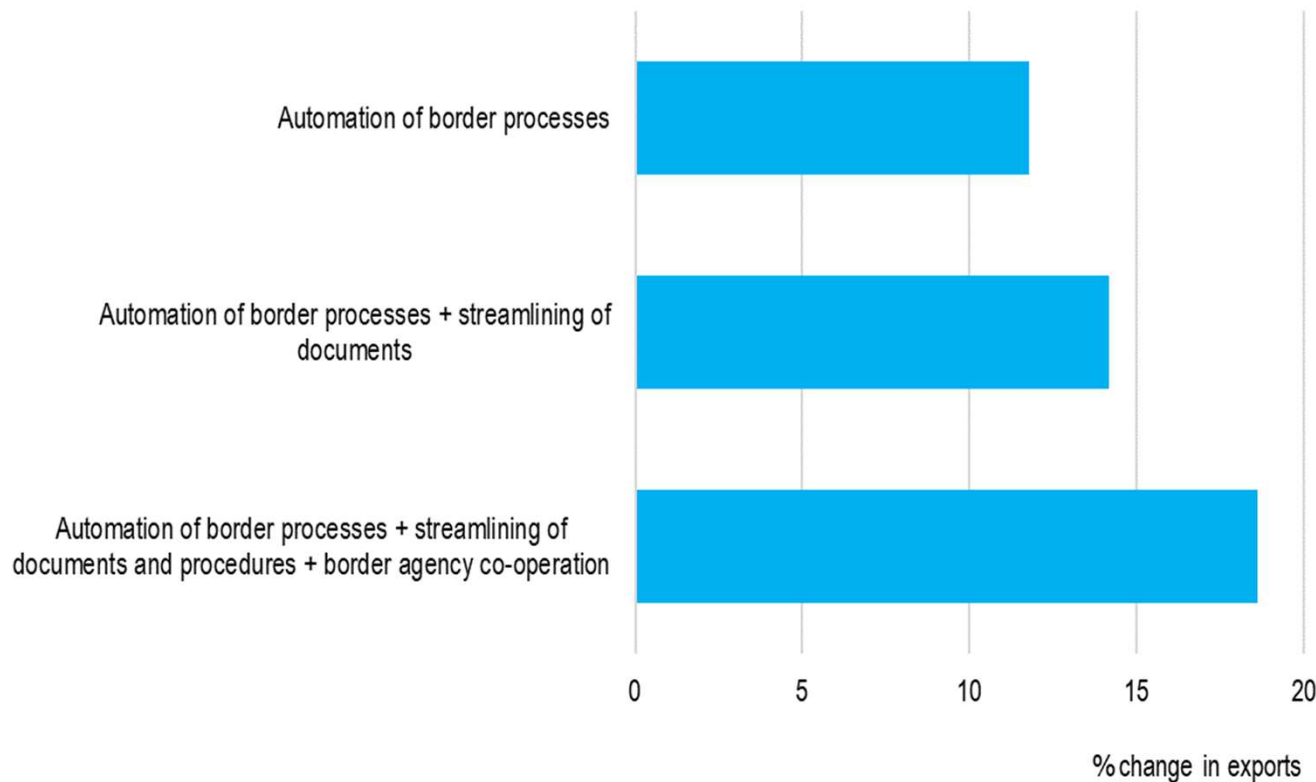


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(2) Impacts of trade facilitation: Trade flows

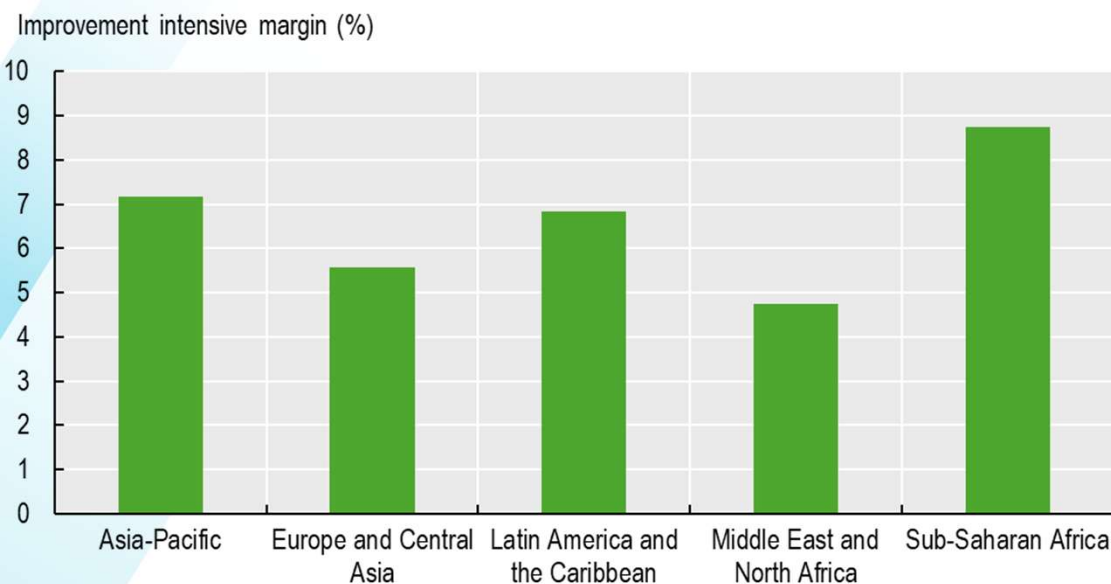
Impacts from a 10% improvement in the TFIs, by areas (%)



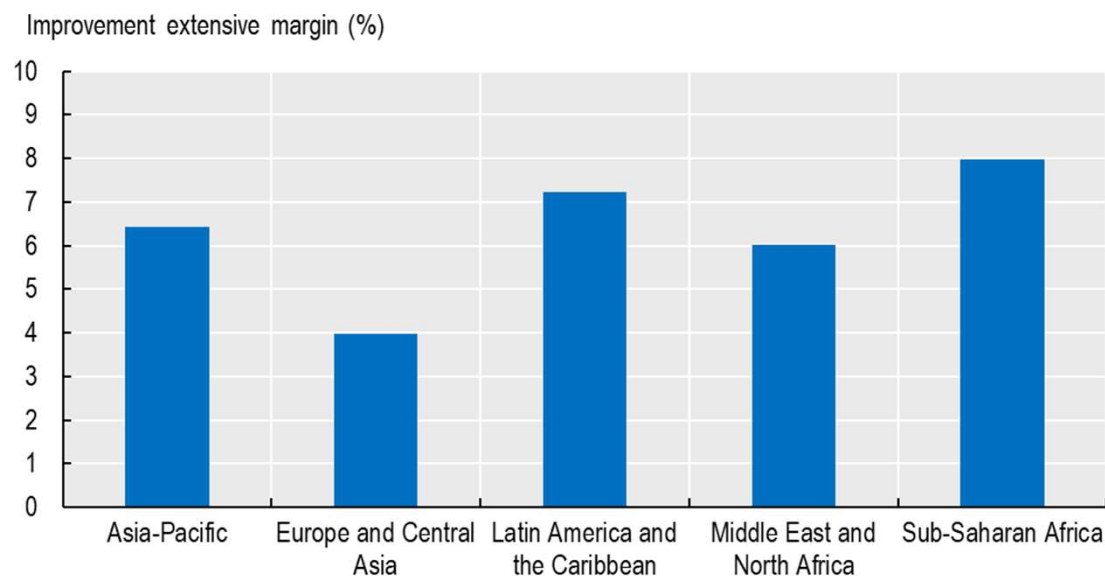
A **10% improvement** in the trade facilitation policy measures that matter for **going paperless** can deliver an increase of up to **18% in global goods exports**

(2) Impacts of trade facilitation: Enhancing existing trade relationships and enabling new ones

Trade facilitation reforms can help maintain supply in case of shocks



And enable new trade relationships



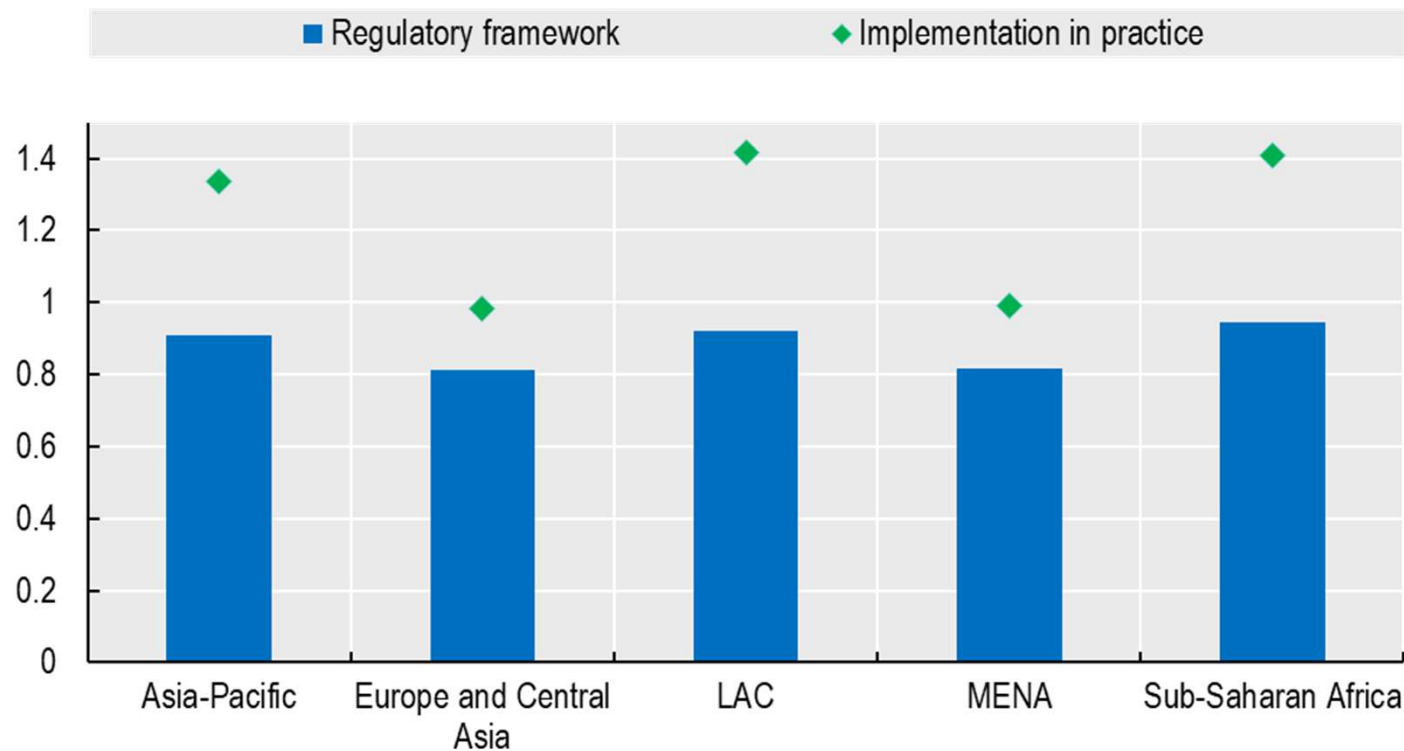
Note: Based on a 10% improvement in trade facilitation performance, by regional grouping. Using trade data from USITC ITPD-E database version 2.

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(2) Impacts of trade facilitation: Regulatory frameworks and implementation in practice

Mind the gap: The trade flow response to improving operational practices in automating and streamlining border processes is stronger



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(3) Regional and country analysis drawing on the TFIs

- Analysis of progress and challenges in ASEAN Member States drawing on the TFIs, in close collaboration with the ASEAN Secretariat and the ASEAN Trade Facilitation Joint Consultative Committee
- TFI Country Policy Notes for Eastern Partner countries (Moldova, Ukraine, Armenia) to highlight policy gaps and underpin subsequent on-the-ground support to reforms by the International Trade Center
- Knowledge sharing on TFIs with LDC country representatives (TFAF English and French sessions, July 2025)



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