

WTO Agreement on Trade Facilitation

Role of IT and the Digital Economy

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The Global Express Association



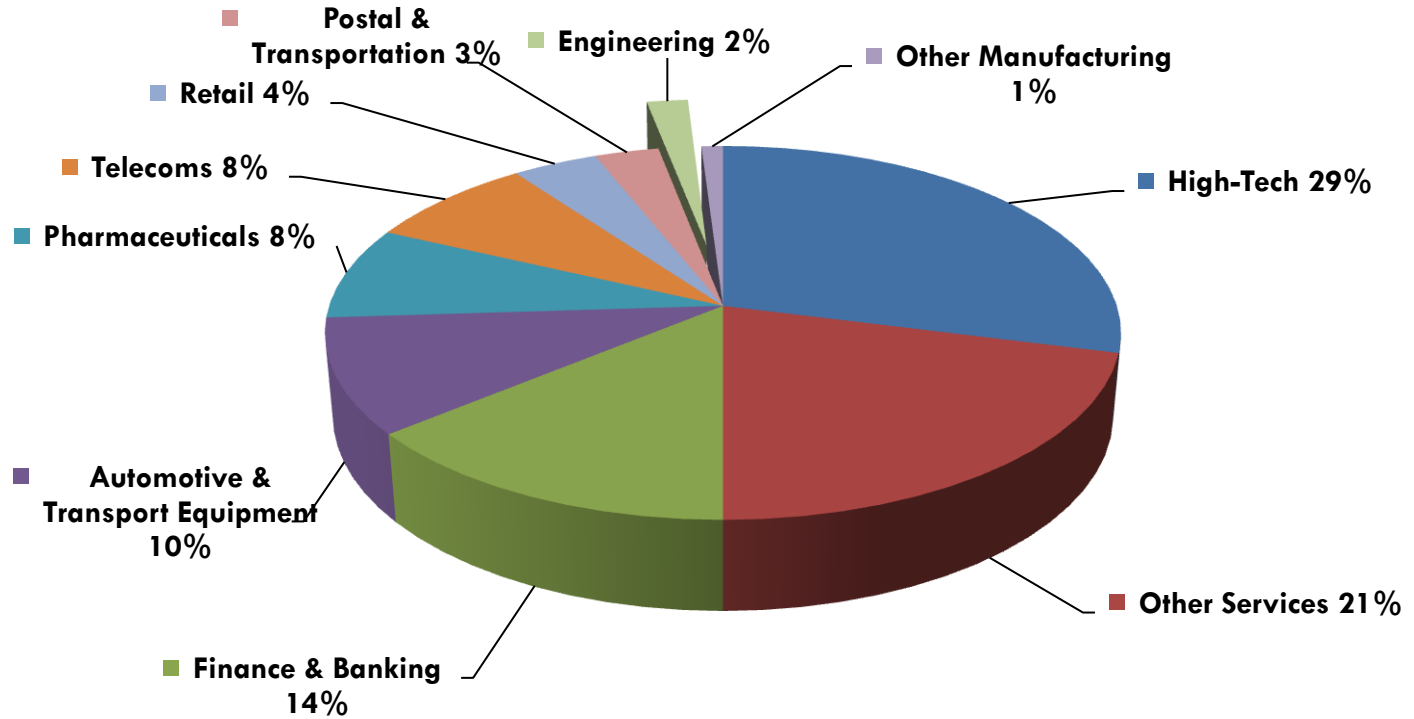
- **30 million** shipments daily
- **220 countries and territories**
- **1,700 aircraft**
- **200,000 ground vehicles**
- **2,75 million jobs world-wide (1,3 million direct jobs)**



Express Delivery Services

Serving all industries

Industry Sectors, in % of Revenue



Source: Oxford Economics, The Impact of the Express Delivery Industry on the Global Economy, September 2009

Express Delivery Services

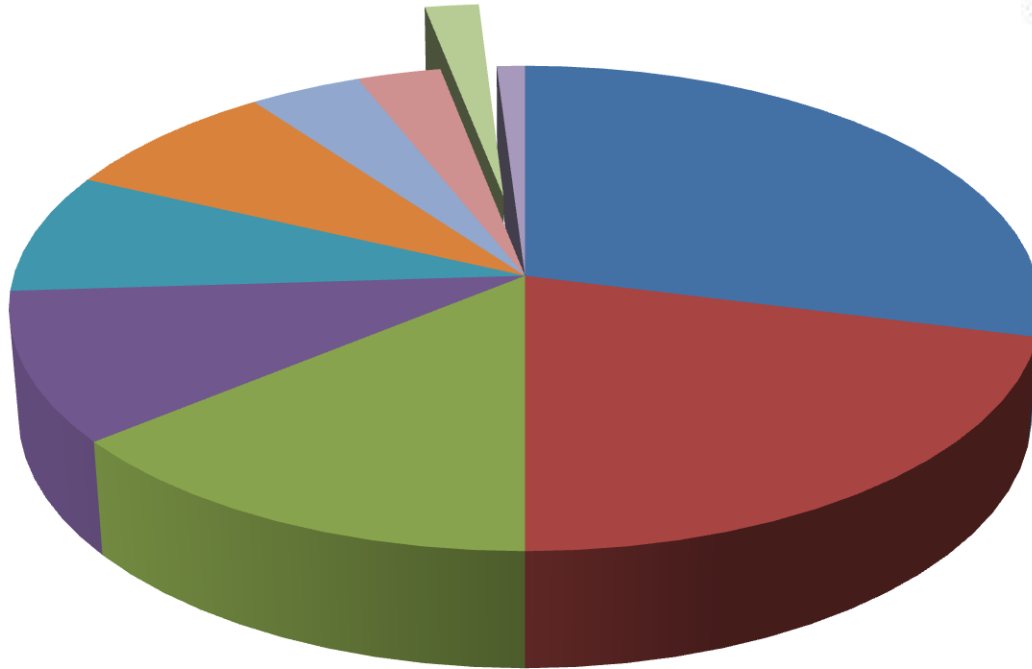


ENGINEERING

**High-value,
time-sensitive**



RETAIL

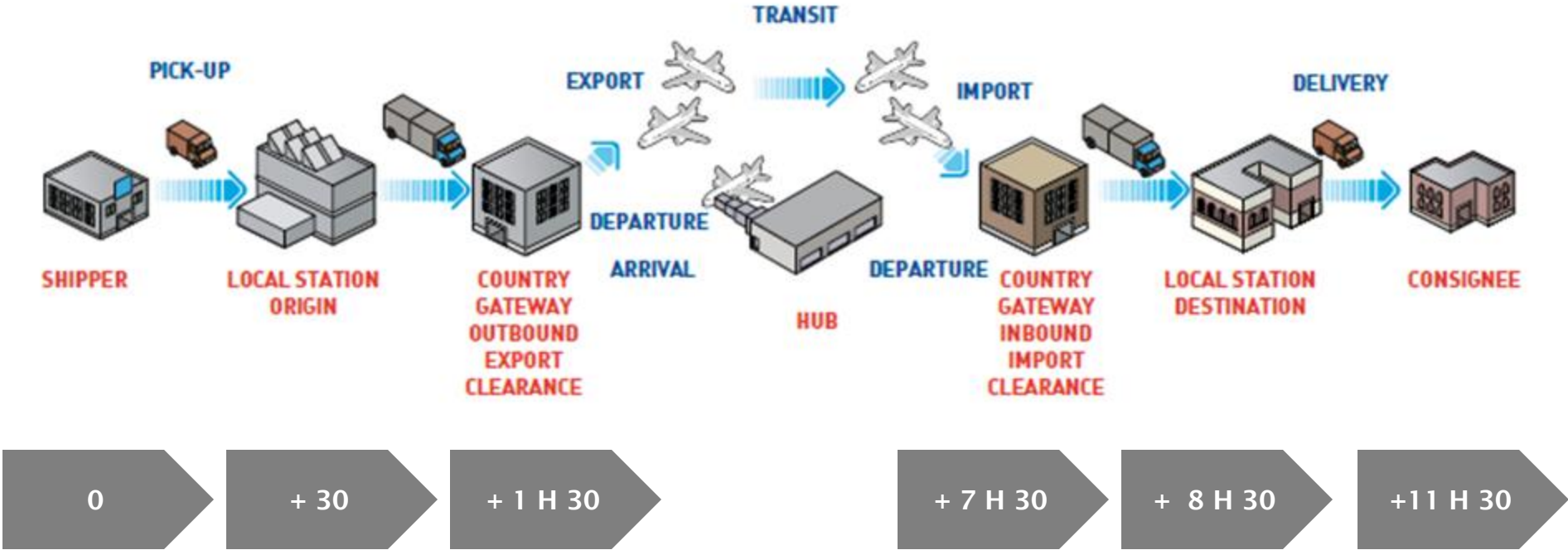


BANKING



AUTOMOTIVE

The Speed of the Express Business



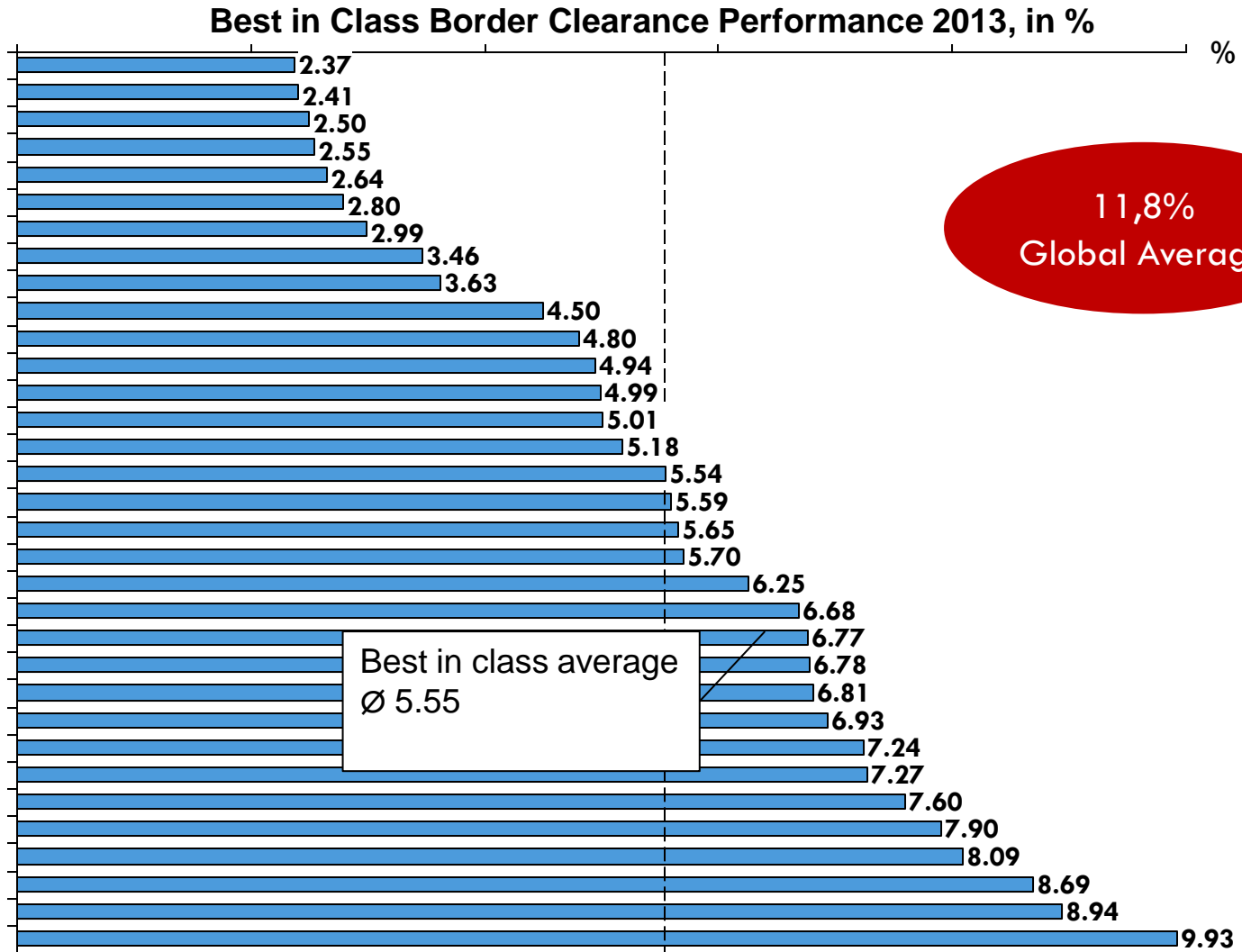
Many shipments can arrive at the outbound site up to 45 minutes prior to departure.

Trade Facilitation: Efficient and fast border crossing

- Advance electronic processing
- Risk assessment and risk-based selectivity
- Immediate release
- Separation of release and clearance
- De minimis values: duties and VAT



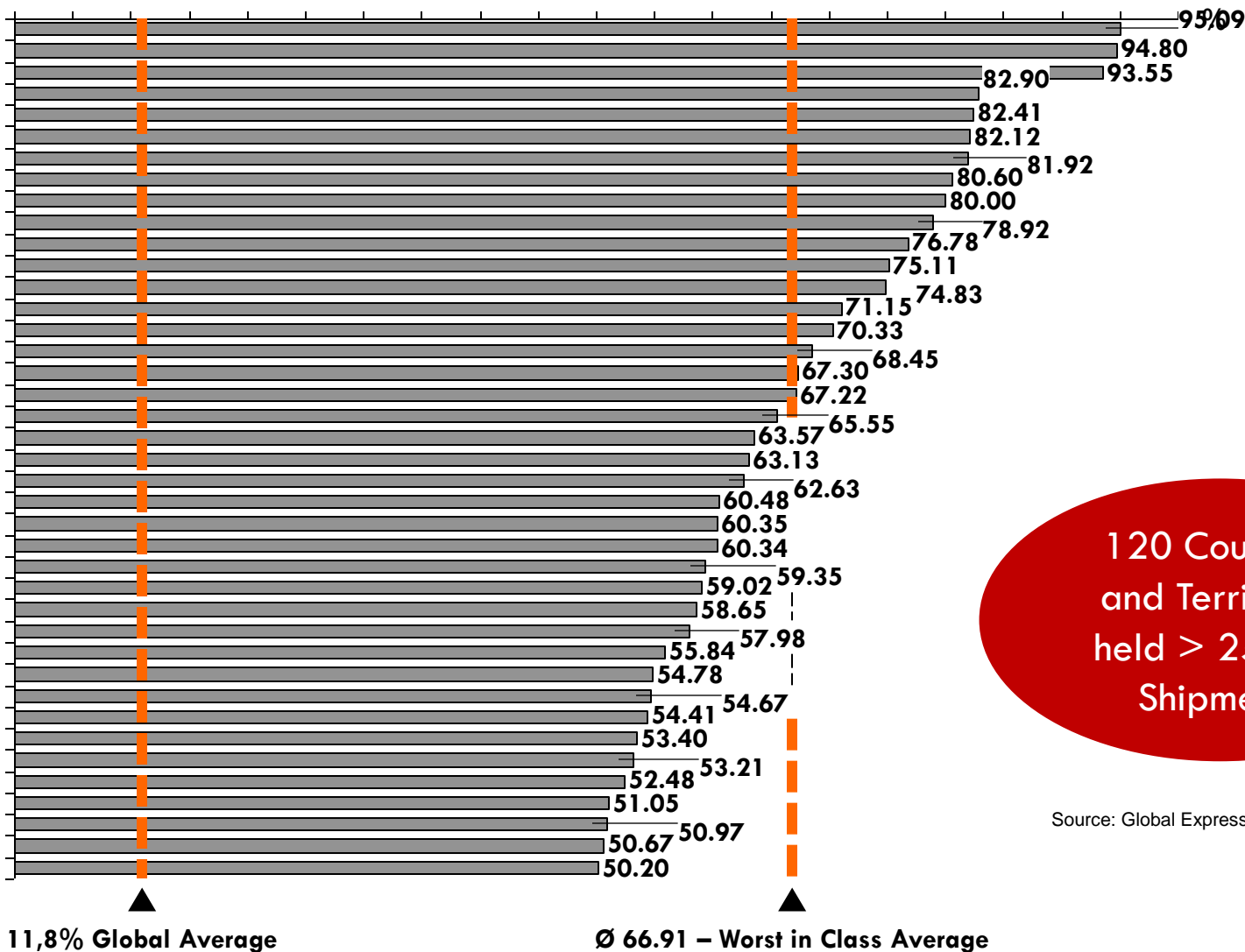
32 Countries held less than 10% of Shipments, 7 of them less than 5%



Source: Global Express Association

More than 40 Countries held over 50% of Shipments, 12 of them over 75%

Worst in Class Border Clearance Performance 2013, in %



120 Countries and Territories held > 25% of Shipments

Source: Global Express Association

Border Efficiency

33

**countries do not publish
import/export forms on the
web**

Border Efficiency

No pre-arrival electronic submission to Customs

in

65

countries*

** Best endeavours clause in WTO TFA*

Border Efficiency

**No automated risk assessment
in**

77

countries*

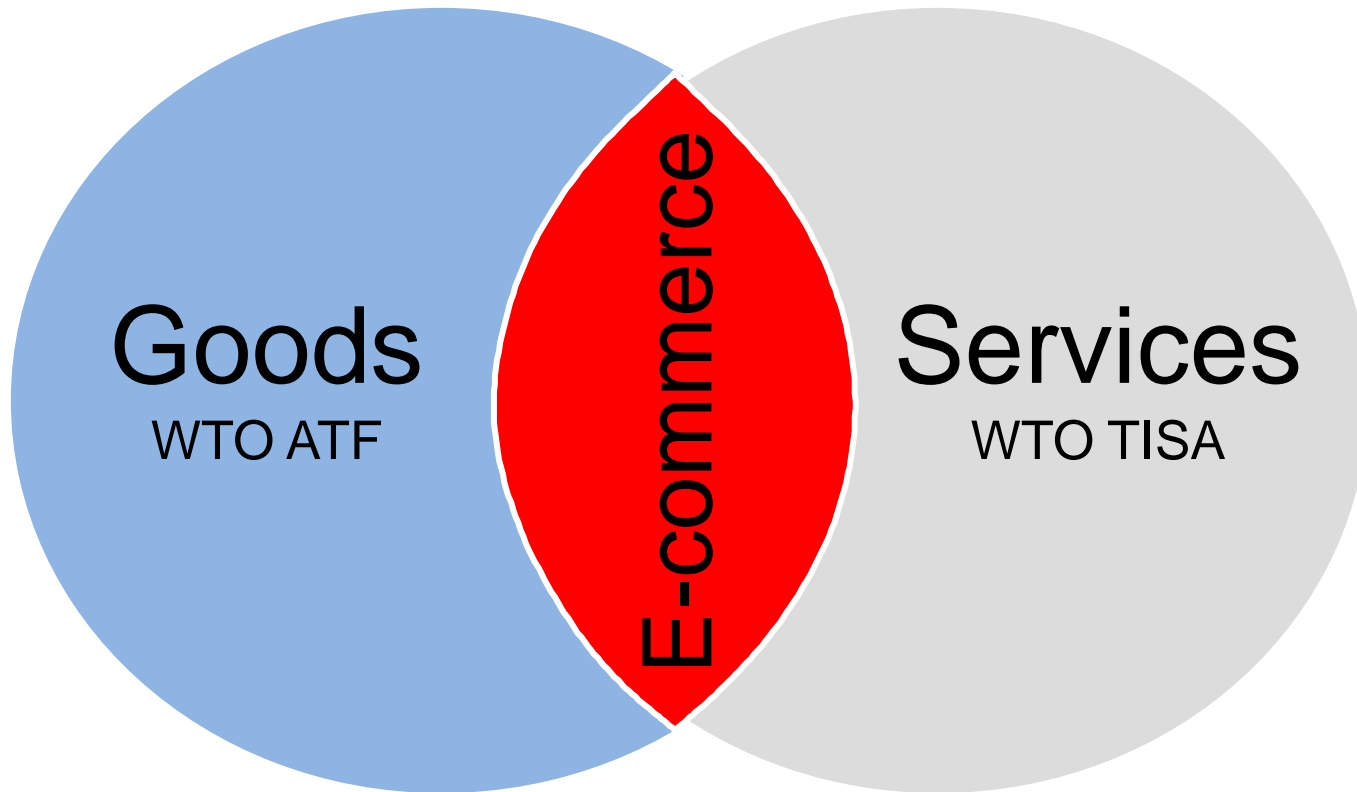
** Best endeavours clause in WTO TFA*

WTO ATF: Role of IT

- At least 14 out of 45 provisions require IT capabilities, e.g.
 - Publication (Art. 1.1 and 1.2)
 - Pre-arrival processing (Art. 7.1)
 - Risk assessment (Art. 7.4)
 - E-payment (Art. 7.2)
 - Standards (Art. 10.2)
 - Single window (Art. 10.4)
- Art. 7 and 10 most critical for border clearance
- IT solutions need to support WTO ATF implementation

Trade Facilitation: Level playing field

E-Commerce and Trade Facilitation: Growing convergence through IT



Thank you!



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