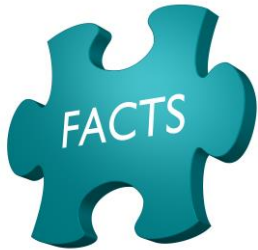


Updates on the EU AEO programmes including MRA Requirements

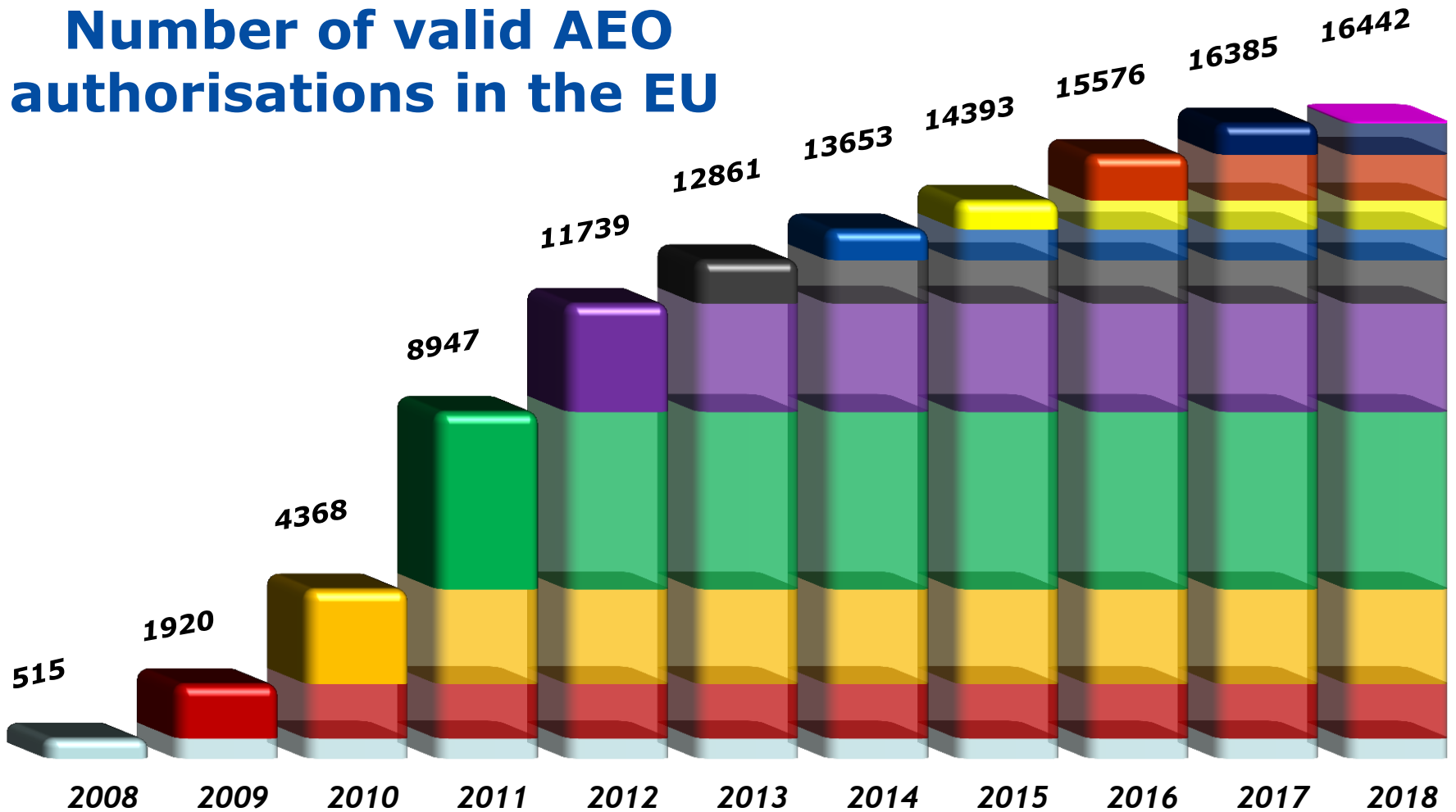




THE EU AEO Programme

- Established in **January 2008**
- More than **16 000 Participants** in 28 EU Member States
- AEOs involved in **more than 77% of EU Imports/Exports**
- **Benefits** combine Security and Customs Simplifications

Number of valid AEO authorisations in the EU



The EU AEO Programme

- *AEO Conditions/Criteria and Benefits* -

Conditions and criteria	AEOC	AEOS	Benefits
Economic operator	X	X	Fewer controls
Established in EU	X	X	Prior notification
Compliance	X	X	Priority treatment
Record keeping	X	X	Request for place for control
Financial solvency	X	X	Indirect benefits
Competence & qualification	X		Customs simplifications
Security & Safety		X	Mutual Recognition

Recent Developments in the EU

- EU AEO fully operational for more than **10 years**
- Solid programme that is recognised by both international trade and customs authorities
- **Alignment with security and compliance programmes** of other policy areas

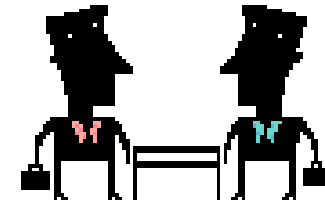


Mutual Recognition of AEO Programmes

The EU experience

■ EU current mutual recognitions:

- Switzerland – 1 July 2009
- Norway - 1 July 2009
- Andorra – 27 January 2011
- Japan – 24 May 2011
- United States of America – 4 May 2012
- People's Republic of China – 16 May 2014



■ Ongoing negotiations

- Canada, Hong Kong

Mutual Recognition Requirements

1. Existence of a legal basis
2. Comparison of legislation
3. Practical assessment of the respective programmes
4. Negotiations of the legal text
5. Electronic data exchange (GNC Utility Block)

MRA Benefits granted by EU for members of partner AEO programmes

- (a) Fewer security and safety related controls
- (b) Recognition of business partners during the application process
- (c) Priority treatment at customs clearance
- (d) Business continuity mechanism

Advantages for MRA customs administrations

- Avoidance of duplication
- Facilitated AEO Application process – as the status of 3rd country business partner who is AEO is recognized
- Risk Management - 3rd countries AEOs as risk mitigating factor
- Efficiency - Customs administrations able to focus their controls/inspections on consignments of unknown traders



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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