



# Trade Facilitation

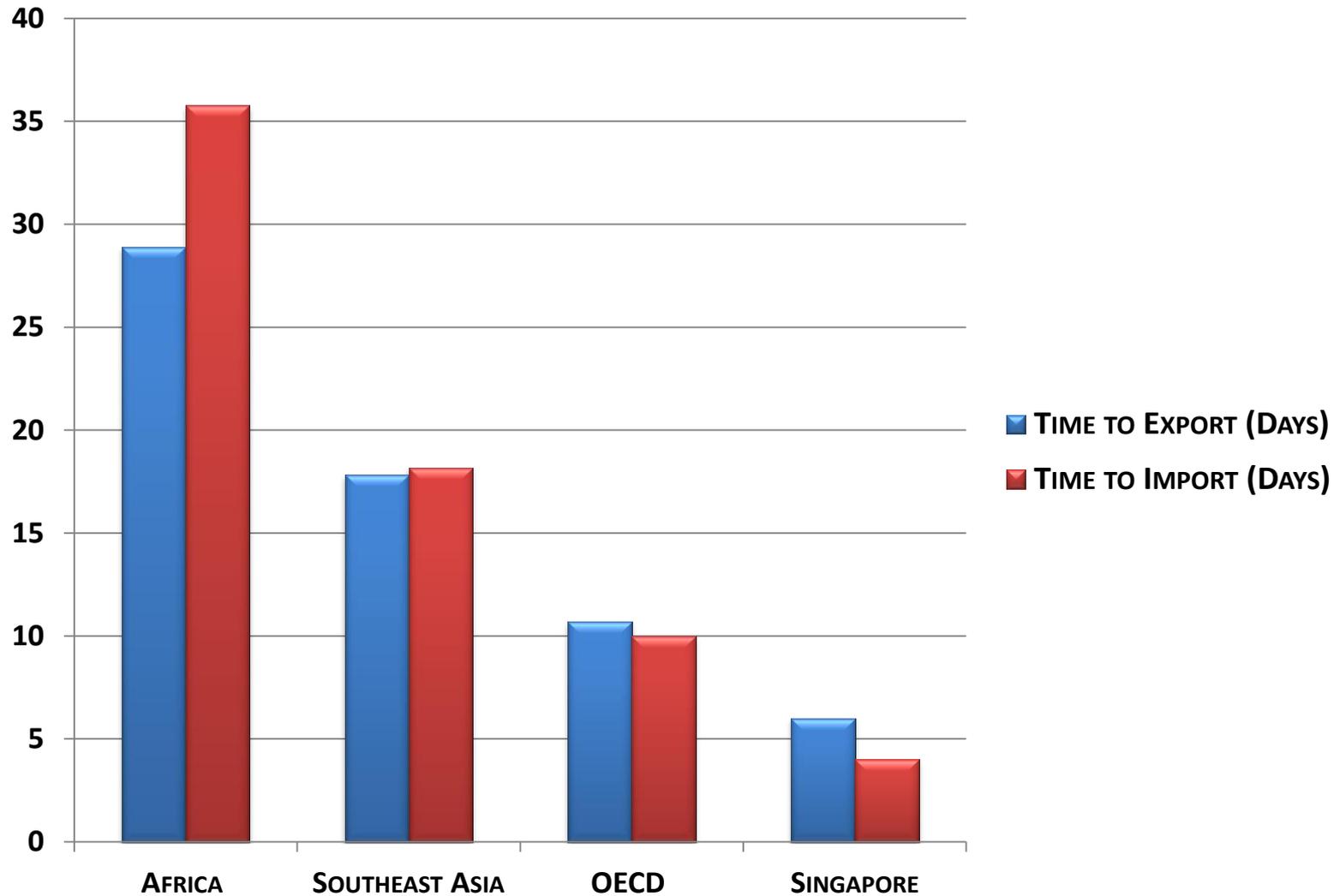


# Outline

- I. New WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement (TFA)
  - Background
  - Structure
  - Next steps
- II. Linkages with SPS/TBT Agreements
- III. Overview of STDF work on Facilitating *Safe* Trade

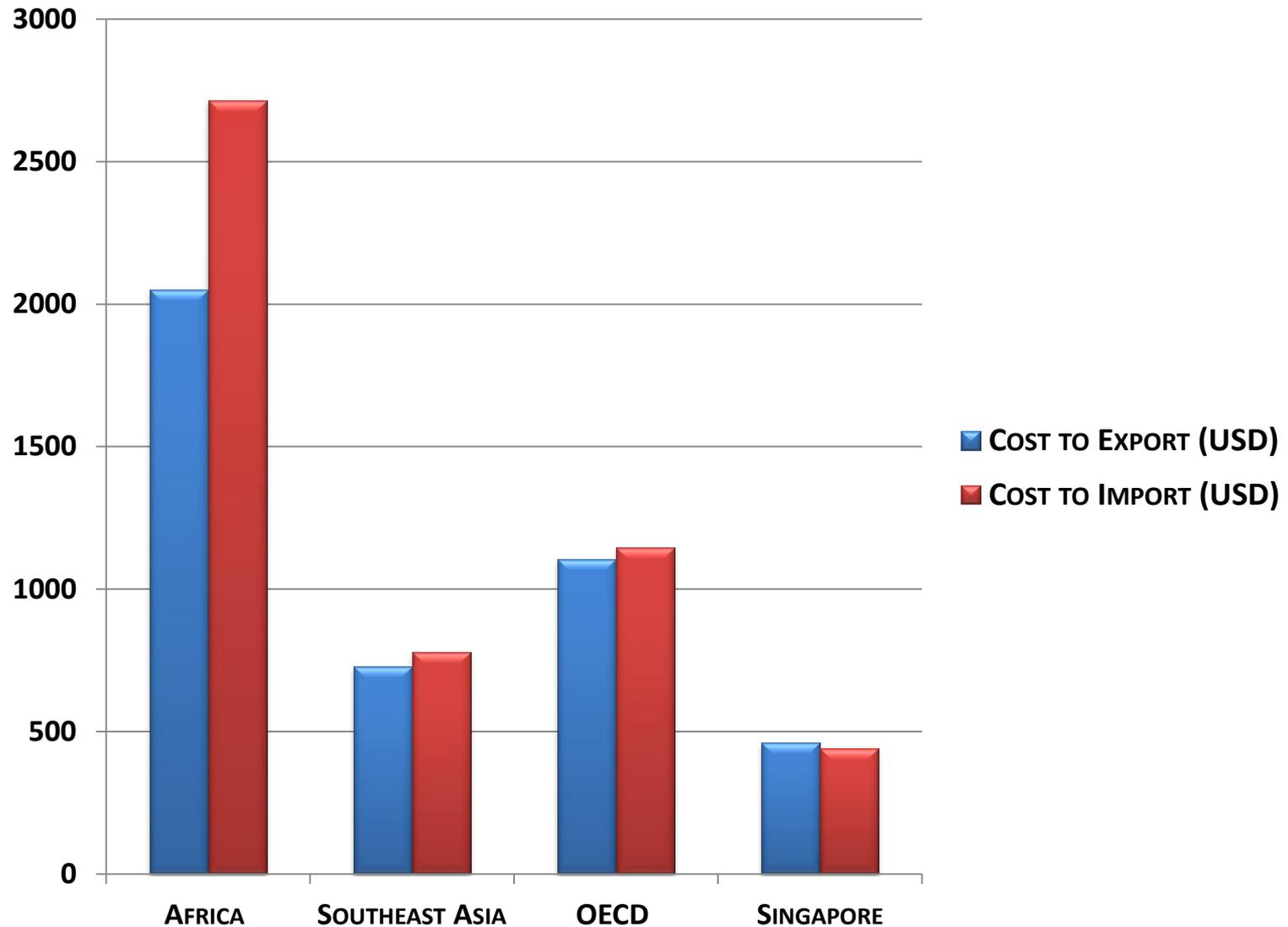


# Time to Export/Import





# Costs to Export/Import





# Sources of Delay/Costs



- Infrastructure
- Technology
- **Border procedures, processes, controls**
- **Document and information requirements**
- **Fees and charges**



# Why does it matter?



**9 billion documents  
each year to process  
movement of goods!**



- ✓ Companies sometimes spend more money complying with customs regulations than the amount earned in revenue by Customs



# Estimated benefits

1% decrease in global trade costs would yield an increased global income of USD 40 billion at a minimum.

OECD Trade Policy Working Paper, No. 118, 2011

**Up to two-thirds of the total gains to be obtained by developing countries.**

OECD TD/TC/WP(2003)31/FINAL

Reduction of total trade costs of **14.5%** for low income, **15%** for lower-middle income, and **13.2%** for upper-middle income countries

OECD Trade Policy Working Paper, No. 144, 2013



# But why TF at the WTO?

✓ **Common rules for 161 WTO Members**

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