



Blue Belt: **cutting red tape** for shipping across five key areas- customs, ports, security, border controls, and health

Heavy administration at ports causes extra costs and significant delays. The **National Single Windows** will ease pre-arrival formalities for ships calling in EU ports. The **Blue Belt** legal initiative will reduce unnecessary customs checks. Both make the shipping sector more competitive.



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