"Electronic Validation of tourist exports at Vienna International Airport





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Background information

- Appr. 2,3 Mio tax free validations in Austria
 - Switzerland: 1 Mio.
 - Up to 10 officers per shift
 - Airport Vienna: 1,2 Mio
 - Up to 10 officers per shift
 - Total 60 officers
- Entire process is manual and in paper form
 - No electronic data
 - No electronic (modern) risk management
 - No interface with companies
 - A lot of paperwork for business and customs/tax officers

Basis for outsourcing

• § 6a ZollR-DG: Customs can delegate the operational electronic validation of tourist exports to external companies.....

- Zoll-Touristenexport-Informatik-Verordnung
- Application procedure
- Authorisation
- Open for everyone

Prerequisites

- Electronic recording of all forms
- Electronic risk management
 - = legal requirement for outsourcing
- Customs creates risk profiles
- Online-access for customs
- Location, Opening hours und Staff

Tasks of processor

- Provision/Acceptance of eletronic data
- Electronic validation based on electronic risk management handled by customs
- Validation and control based on decision of risk management
- Electronic provision of data for customs and tax

- Exit confirmation in electronic form
 - Paper forms digital stamp

Procedure

- Traveller forwards the tax free form/invoice to eValidation
 - Fulfilling the requirements of Value Added Tax Act and Zoll-Touristenexportverordnung

 Either electronic registration done by eValidation or provision of data by company in advance

Electronic risk management

Procedure













Thank you for using our Down-Town Service-Center, You are entitled to use the Fast-Lane or **Express** Counters. Please come forward.



The presented Tax Free Form or Receipt does not meet the legal requirements. Please contact the Shop, your Tax Refund Operator or its Refund Agent at the Airport for help.



proceed through security and passport control to obtain your stamp Air-Side at eValidation.



The presented Tax Free Form or Receipt contains items or information that needs to be checked from our customs officer. Please proceed to Customs Desk for control.



You have completed all required steps to obtain your valid customs stamp. Please provide this stamp with original receipt and form at the Shop, the Tax Free Operator or its Refund Agend at the Airport.



with

purchased

items do not

qualify for

VAT refund.

Your

request has

been

rejected.

Results after 5 months

- Data in real time available
- Electronic risk management = efficient customs control
- Improved Anti-fraud measures
- Data available for tax and customs for post-audits

- Result of validation in real time available for companies
- Duty Free shops at airports can be connected directly to the system no refund process necessary....

Challenges

- Human Resources Management
 - Qualification of staff
 - Sources of error in data registration
 - Necessary time for registration of data (missing data)
 - Number of staff
 - Peak times
- New procedure: check-in after validation

Statistics

- August 2019:
- 113.495 Transactions with total value of 53 Mio EURO
- 410 Red cases
- 70% Austrian companies
- 9% Czech companies

Quality control

- Intern: e-Validation
 - Post control of data registration
- Customs:
 - Control of work of e-Validation in real time
 - Post control of data registration

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