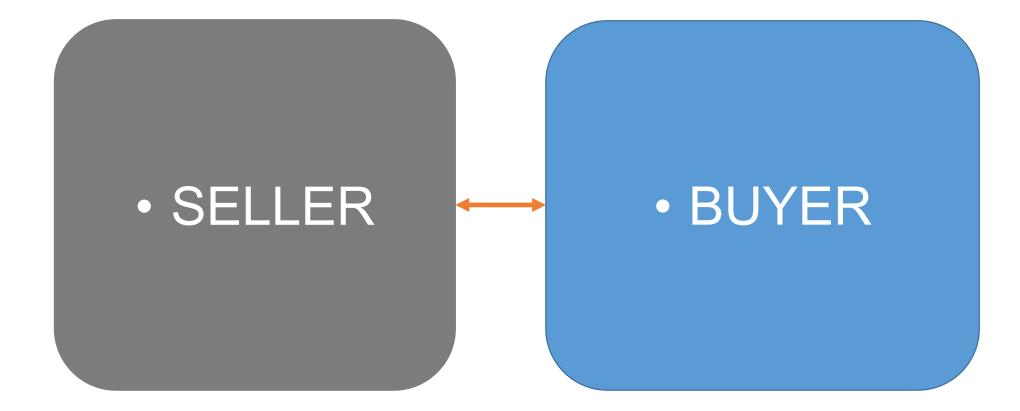
"Values and benefits of a PCS, links to SW and WTO TFA" Maritime Logistics Information Flows

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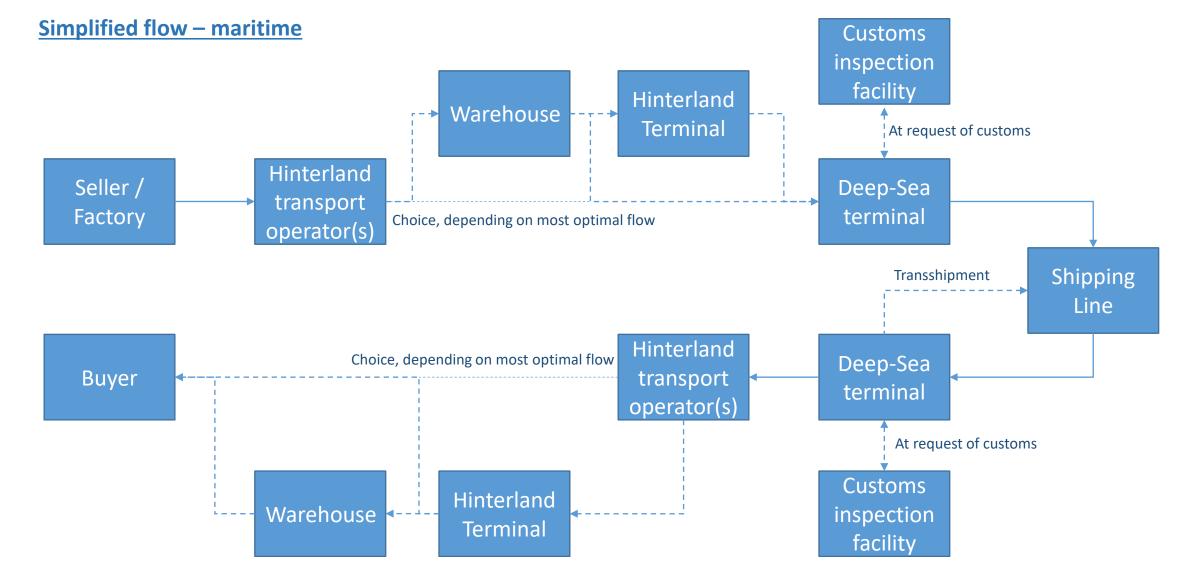
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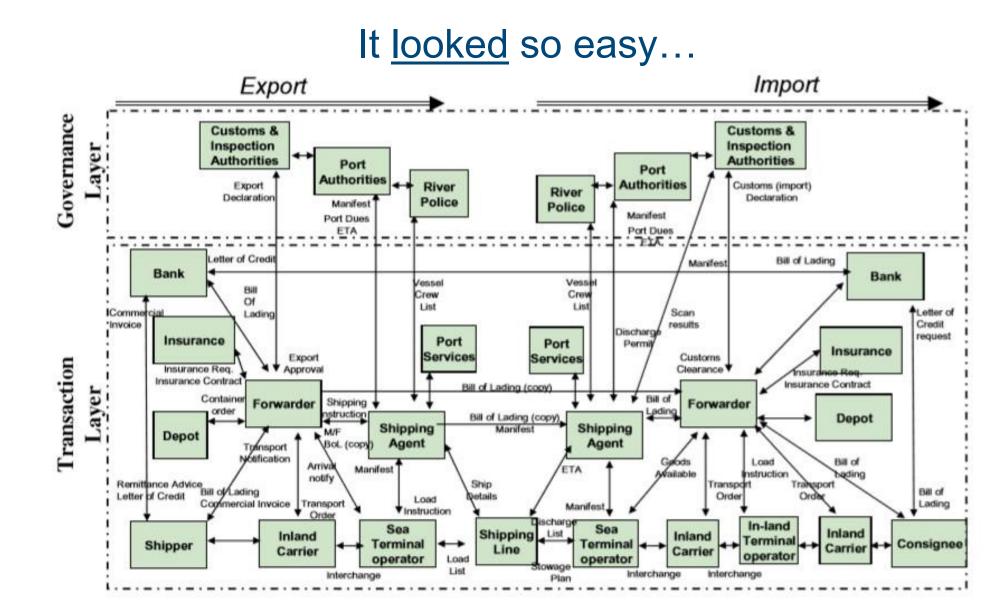


## Physical flow of goods – One way traffic, from seller to buyer

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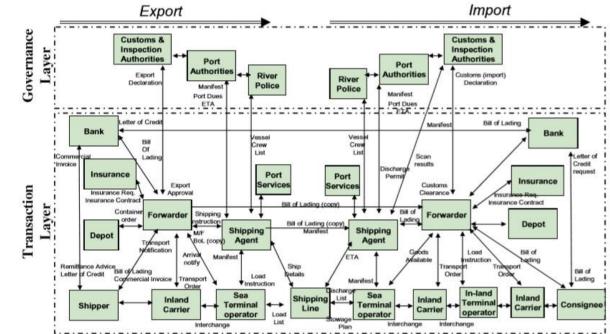
Information flows in the transaction and governance layers (van Baalen et al. 2008)

## And it's even worse...

### Because:

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- visualized the optimal information flow of container transport
- data elements from different sources combined in one report
- flows presented as one line.
  However, the data often goes back and forth multiple times.
- No status updates visualized



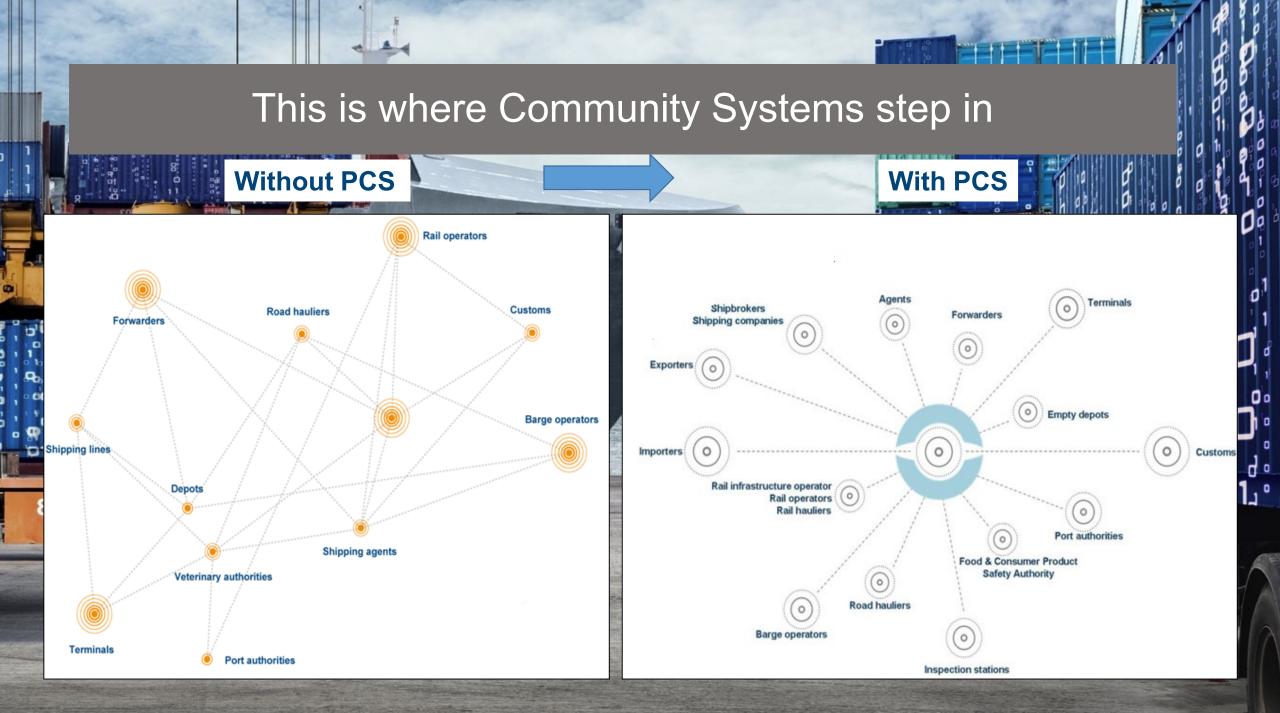
Visualizing all sources of each information element and their flows in one overview would be impossible!

# Complexity and the impact on data quality

### Problems

- Administrative burden of reporting formalities
- Quality issues along the information chain
- Parties only have knowledge on their own activities, not on the ones around them
- Automation, standardization and harmonization often lacking because of the variety of parties
- No incentive on improving quality. Parties only focus on own process.





# **Benefits for Supply Chains**

- One-stop-shop for automated information exchange
- All governments and related processes are connected
- Use of standard messages and procedures throughout the ports
- Low administration costs due to automation
- Information flows reach both governments and business well in advance of vessel arrival
- Better government inspections due to timely and correct data, thus improving transit times
- Sharing/ re-use of data improves data quality

# Specific benefits Ease of doing **business** Lower Supply Chain Costs Improving Supply Chain Quality

## **PCS – A Trade Facilitation Tool**



#### A PCS:

- Links administrative processes to operational ones
- Thus re-using data for both purposes and the re-use of existing Information Systems
- Creating Transparency & reducing trade burdens
- Can also act as a Gateway into a Single Window

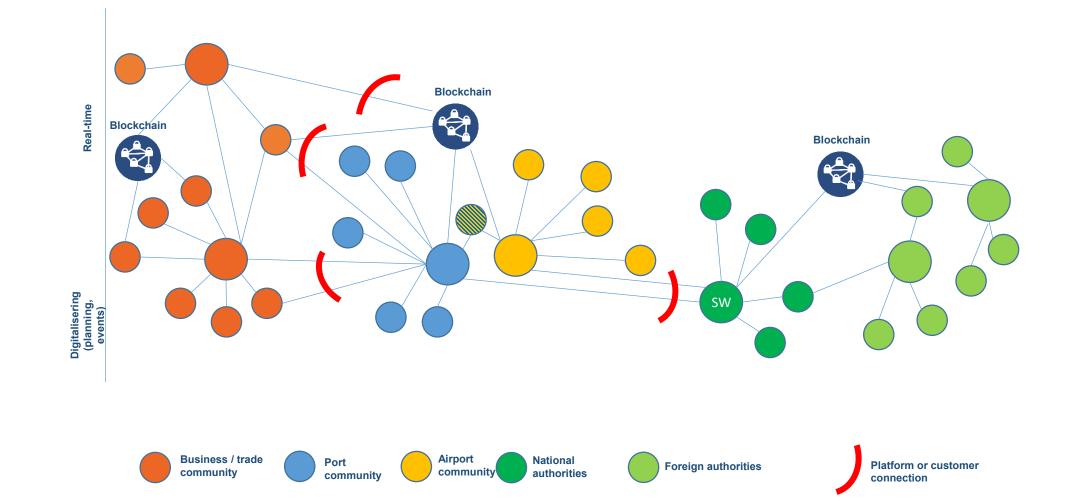


PCS thus link Administrative and **Operational** procedures electronically via the exchange of messages on a end to end basis (machine to machine) with all stakeholders.

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### Vision towards the future

Connected platforms in information-exchange trade and transport



# Questions?

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# Thank you for your attention

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