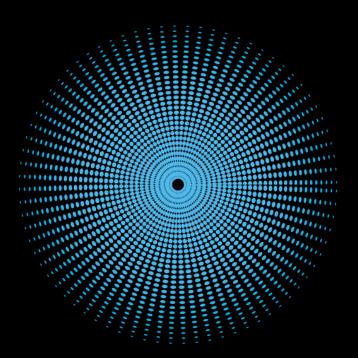
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Getting to the point

Authorized Economic Operator (AEO) Programme in Angola

The Authorized Economic Operator (AEO) Programme has been introduced by the Presidential Decree no. 293/18 of 3 December and is in force since January 2, 2019.

The AEO status' application is volunteer and may be granted by the General Tax Administration ("AGT") for a period of 3 years (renewable). The AEO application may be submitted by any economic operator performing exports and/or imports and it can be extended by Order of the Minister of Finance, under AGT's proposal, to other economic operators provided they are part of an international supply chain and involved in customs-related operations. The economic operators with AEO certificates will be granted with benefits intended to ensure the facilitation, streamlining, celerity and simplification of the customs' procedures.

The advantages associated to the AEO status are related with the priority treatment, less customs audits, its execution at the operators' facilities and the exemption regarding requirements for qualification to customs procedures provided that the AEO certification's specific criteria have been fulfilled.

Moreover, AGT may grant to the operators with AEO certificates other benefits regarding customs' procedures besides those established by Presidential Decree.

AEO certificates can be obtained for the following purposes: (i) AEO import type; (ii) AEO export type and (iii) AEO import and export type.

In order to be granted the AEO status, operators must comply with a set of requirements and present before the AGT information that aims to prove that they are compliant with them. The Presidential Decree no. 293/18 may be consulted **here**.

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