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Charter of the unit Data Services

WE ARE

responsible for the foreign trade statistics of Switzerland. We compile, evaluate and publish statistics on Switzerland's cross border trade of goods.

WE DELIVER

information on foreign trade, specifically:

- statistics
- information on concepts, methodologies and processes
- metadata (such as nomenclatures of goods and country lists)
- reports on the structure and development of foreign trade

to public administrations, economic, academic and scientific entities as well as the general public in order to enable them to

- shape opinions
- take decisions
- plan and evaluate
- research

WE APPLY

The fundamental principles of

- the [Swiss Public Statistics Charter](#)
- the [European Statistics: Code of Practice](#)
- the [Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics of the UN](#)

WE OFFER

goods and services with:

- high quality through our client focus and expertise
- progress by taking into account technological developments in the area of processing and delivering data
- efficiency by the optimal use of resources and by applying quality assurance methods
- minimal burden for data providers by using administrative data

WE ACT IN ACCORDANCE TO

- legal obligations in the area of custom procedures
- international guidelines and recommendations of the UN, the OECD, the IMF and EUROSTAT

WE FOSTER

- close cooperation with:
 - the organizational units of the Federal Office for Customs and Border Security
 - the statistical authorities of the confederation, the cantons and the communities
- partnership with the administration, economic groupings, academia and researchers

WE ENCOURAGE

- good working conditions, mutual respect and the diffusion of information
- integrating colleagues into decision making and giving them appropriate responsibilities
- the development of professional and social skills of our colleagues