

4TH ASYCUDA STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

(Tirana, Albania)

The 4th ASYCUDA Steering Committee Meeting was held in the Hotel President in Tirana, on 9 May 2005.

The meeting was chaired by Mr S. Idrizi, Customs Director General, and was attended by representatives of the European Commission (Mr G. Planera, Head of EU CAM-A), International Monetary Fund (Mr J.P. Olters, Resident Representative), the World Bank TTFSE Project (Ms S. Shyiti, Project Manager) and UNCTAD, and managers of the functional departments within the Customs headquarters involved in the implementation of the ASYCUDA Project.



The meeting evaluated the current status of the implementation of ASYCUDA and decided upon the Implementation Plan for the roll-out of ASYCUDA at national level, in the light of the new priorities of the Government and the recommendations of the European Commission's Monitoring Report (April 2005). The meeting also decided upon the exchange of data with other Government agencies and neighbouring Customs Administrations and the measures to be taken by all parties involved.

Mr S. Idrizi highly appreciated the support of the European Commission / CAM-A and UNCTAD in the implementation of ASYCUDA and underlined the need for further co-operation between the Albanian Customs Administration and the international organisations, i.e. European Commission / EC Delegation (funding of the UNCTAD technical assistance and support activities), CAM-A (procurement of IT equipment and software) and the World Bank TTFSE Project (funding of the Customs National Communications Network).



**Mr S. Idrizi, Customs Director General (centre),
Mr G. Planera, Head of EC CAM-A (left) and
Mr R Kokoli, Deputy DG and ASYCUDA Project
Director (right)**



**Mr J.P. Olters,
IMF Resident Representative**



**Ms S. Shyiti, Project Manager,
The World Bank TTFSE Project**



**Mr A. Pilika, ASYCUDA Project Manager
Albanian Customs Administration (right)**



**Mr R. Pilika, ASYCUDA Project Manager (left) and
Mr C. Ciuta, UNCTAD Customs Adviser**



**Mr R. Pilika, ASYCUDA Project Manager (left) and
Mr I. Cojoaca, UNCTAD IT Adviser**



Plenary Session