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Message from Julian Tan, Board Director, TAPA APAC

Dear TAPA Members and Industry Partners,

As we move through 2025, the world around us continues to evolve at an extraordinary pace. Geopolitical tensions, tariff disruptions, and emerging risks are redefining the global trade landscape and testing the resilience of supply chains like never before.

In these uncertain times, I want to personally assure you that TAPA APAC remains fully committed to standing with you. Our purpose has always been clear: to empower our members with the knowledge, tools, and standards needed to strengthen security, manage risks, and build resilient operations, no matter the challenges ahead.

Over the past few months, we have acted decisively to support you:

- Our recent Tariff Impact & Trade Compliance Webinar brought together leading experts to provide practical insights on navigating new trade realities.
- We launched the Cyber Security Standard (CSS) 2025, a robust framework designed to protect critical supply chain infrastructure against the rising tide of cyber threats.
- We've initiated new training programmes to ensure you and your teams are equipped to implement these standards effectively and confidently.

And we are not stopping there. In the coming months, we will introduce additional initiatives, including our Business Continuity Planning (BCP) Standard, to further safeguard your operations against disruption.

More than ever, your active participation, insights, and feedback fuel everything we do. It is through this partnership through listening, adapting, and growing together that we can continue to elevate the security and resilience of the entire supply chain ecosystem.

Thank you for your trust, your commitment, and your belief in the power of collective resilience. TAPA APAC is proud to serve you, and together, we will continue to move forward stronger and more united than ever.

Best Regards,



Board of Director
TAPA APAC



CRIME MONITOR

TOP CARGO THEFT IN MARCH 2025

BY COUNTRY

	No. of Incidents
India	46
Malaysia	7
Pakistan	6
Hong Kong	4
Philippines	4
Singapore	4
Thailand	4
Australia	1
China	1
Indonesia	1

78 Total Recorded APAC Incidents
in Mar 2025

TOTAL LOSS IN MARCH 2025

USD

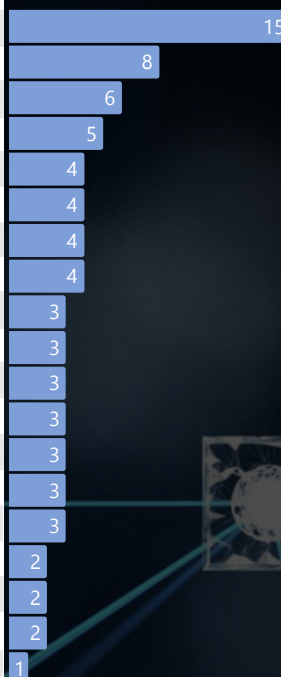
\$32,374,284

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Cases in APAC reporting
a loss value

INCIDENTS REPORTED BY PRODUCT CATEGORY

	No. of Incidents
Food & Drink	15 (19.2%)
Clothing & Footwear	8 (10.3%)
Tools/Building Materials	6 (7.7%)
Agricultural Materials	5 (6.4%)
Cosmetics & Hygiene	4 (5.1%)
Metal	4 (5.1%)
Miscellaneous	4 (5.1%)
Pharmaceuticals	4 (5.1%)
Auto Parts	3 (3.8%)
Cash	3 (3.8%)
Fuel Theft	3 (3.8%)
Jewellery / Precious Metals	3 (3.8%)
No Load	3 (3.8%)
Phones	3 (3.8%)
Tobacco	3 (3.8%)
Computers/Laptops	2 (2.6%)
Miscellaneous Electronics	2 (2.6%)
Unspecified	2 (2.6%)
Furniture/Household Appliances	1 (1.3%)

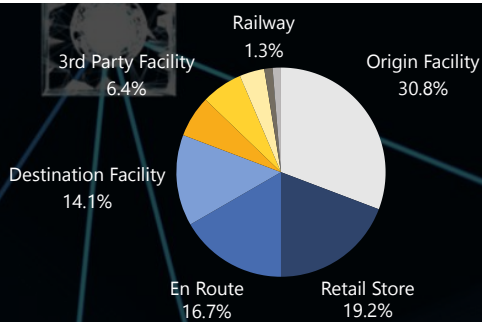


DETAILED BREAKDOWN



INCIDENTS REPORTED BY INCIDENT CATEGORY

	No. of Incidents	
Counterfeit	37	(47.4%)
Theft from Facility	14	(17.9%)
Robbery	12	(15.4%)
Theft of Vehicle	4	(5.1%)
Hijacking	3	(3.8%)
Theft	3	(3.8%)
Theft from Vehicle	2	(2.6%)
Theft from Container	1	(1.3%)
Truck Theft	1	(1.3%)
Unknown	1	(1.3%)



INCIDENTS REPORTED BY LOCATION TYPE

	No. of Incidents	
Origin Facility	24	(30.8%)
Retail Store	15	(19.2%)
En Route	13	(16.7%)
Destination Facility	11	(14.1%)
Authorised 3 rd Party Facility	5	(6.4%)
Unknown	5	(6.4%)
Unclassified Parking	3	(3.8%)
Railway Operation Facility	1	(1.3%)
Secured Parking	1	(1.3%)

INCIDENT HIGHLIGHT



📍 Hong Kong

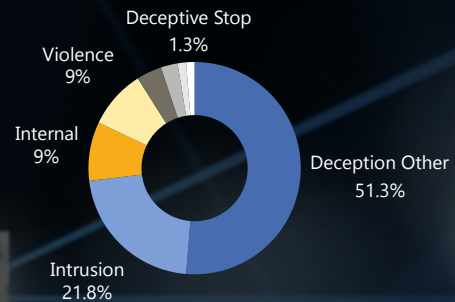
💰 USD 823,000

Customs seized about 9,000 suspected counterfeit mobile phones worth approximately USD 823,000 during enforcement operations. The crackdown began with the inspection of two shipments at a Kwun Tong courier center, leading to the discovery of 150 fake phones and the identification of a local consignor. A delivery operation resulted in the arrest of a person and the seizure of 5,100 counterfeit phones. Further investigation led to a second company, where authorities confiscated another 3,900 fake phones and arrested another person.



INCREASE IN CARGO THEFT

36.8% As compared to the February 2025



INCIDENTS REPORTED BY MODUS OPERANDI

	No. of Incidents	
Deception Other	40	(51.3%)
Intrusion	17	(21.8%)
Internal	7	(9.0%)
Violent & Threat with Violence	7	(9.0%)
Unknown	3	(3.8%)
Forced Stop	2	(2.6%)
Deceptive Pick Up	1	(1.3%)
Deceptive Stop	1	(1.3%)

REPORT & CONTRIBUTE

Every report plays a vital role in bringing cargo crimes to light, ultimately contributing to a safer environment for everyone involved.



REPORT AN INCIDENT



BECOME A TIS AMBASSADOR



SUBSCRIBE TO TIS ALERTS



TAPA APAC INTELLIGENCE SYSTEM

For more information about TIS or to join the TIS Working Group, please email to us at tis@tapa-apac.org

TAPA APAC Engages Leaders to Choke the Counterfeit 'Supply Chain' at the Brand Protection Congress 2025



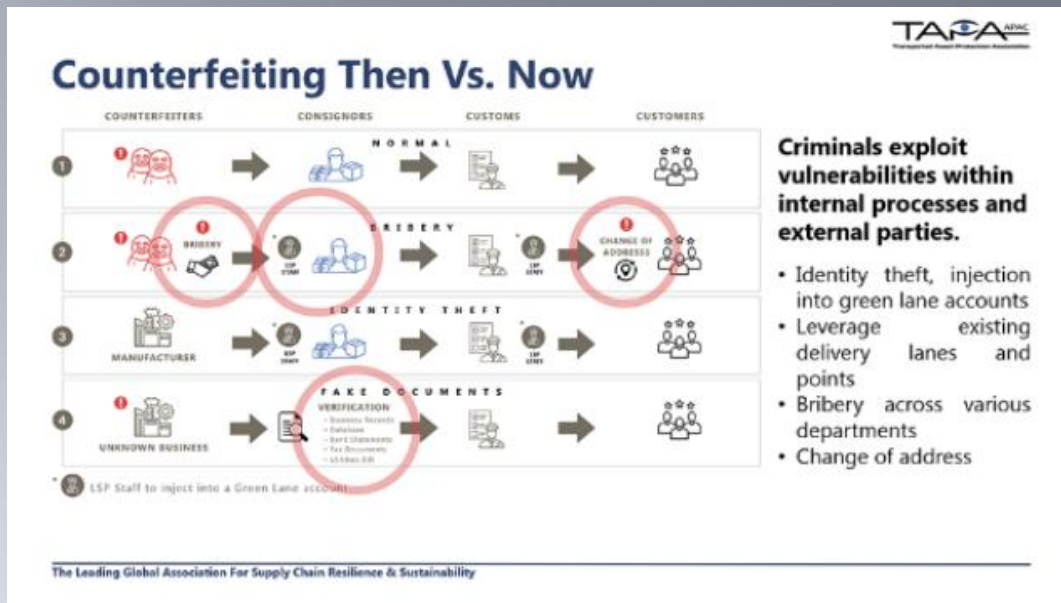
Transported Asset Protection Association Asia Pacific (TAPA APAC) participated in the Brand Protection Congress 2025 on the 9th and 10th April, 2025 at the Voco Orchard, an IHG Hotel, Singapore.

The event brought together industry peers, authorities, brand and solution providers for a dynamic day of insight and collaboration on safeguarding intellectual property in an evolving threat landscape. As counterfeit activity grows increasingly complex fueled by global eCommerce, cross-border digital trade, and fragmented enforcement there has never been a more critical time to align on solutions.



At the event, Mr. Tony Lugg, Chairman of TAPA APAC, took center stage to deliver a compelling presentation on "Measures & Standards to Choke the Counterfeit Supply Chain." His powerful presentation spotlighted the critical role of standards and intelligence-led strategies in the fight against counterfeit goods, illicit trade, and brand erosion.

With his experience and knowledge, Tony shared a striking case of how counterfeiters exploited internal transport loopholes by bribing sales, operations, and finance teams to push fake products through legitimate supply chains. These shipments were disguised using legitimate customs accounts and altered paperwork. To combat this, Tony brought in a data expert to help detect such activities.



With the growing threats of counterfeiting, product diversion, and illicit trade impacting global supply chains, TAPA has developed the globally recognized TAPA Brand Protection Standard (BPS), a benchmark framework outlining the minimum requirements for secure brand management. TAPA Brand Protection Standard provides brands with a structured approach to safeguarding product integrity and defending brand value across the entire supply chain from point of origin to final delivery.

Tony stressed the importance of setting higher expectations across logistics partners including Know Your Customer (KYC) checks, tamper-proof container seals, and mandatory adoption of anti-counterfeit protocols by freight forwarders.

The Brand Protection Congress 2025 delivered powerful insights and actionable strategies to combat counterfeiting, protect brand integrity, and secure global supply chains. Through focused discussions on collaboration, innovation, and the role of standards, the event underscored the urgent need for a united front against the evolving threat landscape. TAPA APAC is committed to empower businesses with the standards, tools, and intelligence to protect their assets and consumers.



TAPA Cyber Security Standard (CSS) 2025 Officially Launched In Shanghai, China

Unlocking Cyber Resilience for Supply Chains



On April 10th, 2025, the Transported Asset Protection Association Asia Pacific (TAPA APAC), in collaboration with TÜV Rheinland, successfully hosted the official launch of the TAPA Cyber Security Standard (CSS) 2025 at the Four Points by Sheraton Shanghai Daning. The event attracted participants from diverse sectors including manufacturing, logistics, insurance, and audit organizations.

With cybercrime on the rise, supply chain security has become a critical issue for business operations. The newly released 2025 version of TAPA's Cyber Security Standard represents a key pillar of its global security standards framework. It focuses on securing IT systems and communications infrastructure, aiming to establish baseline cybersecurity requirements for global supply chains.

The event opened with remarks by Mr. Alan Liu, TAPA APAC Board Member and Chief Representative for China, who emphasized the importance of the CSS standard and provided an overview of the global cyber threat landscape.

Following that, Mr. Erek Zhou, Senior Regional Security Manager at Dyson Technology, shared insights on current cybersecurity threats in the manufacturing industry. He stressed the necessity of conducting cybersecurity audits within supply chains. While the advancement of AI has improved defensive capabilities, it has also enabled bad actors to carry out deepfake and automated attacks.





Mr. Alvin Lau, Executive Director of TAPA APAC, introduced the comprehensive content of the CSS 2025 standard, including strategic management, data protection, remote access, and more. He also announced that the first online mandarin training session would take place on May 8.

Mr. Denny Yau, Department Manager of TÜV Rheinland Guangdong, presented a detailed walkthrough of the CSS certification process from self-assessment and on-site audits to continuous improvement. He emphasized that certification is a vital tool for strengthening organizational resilience and building customer trust.



During the Q&A session, attendees actively raised questions on implementation, audit, and training, which were addressed by the expert speakers. Attendees agreed that rising cyber threats demand stronger protection across all supply chain levels.

The launch of the TAPA Cyber Security Standard (CSS) 2025 provides a strategic framework for unified defense and marks a new benchmark for cybersecurity governance, reinforcing the need to secure digital infrastructure as a foundation for resilient and transparent supply chains.

From Trade Wars to Cyber Wars: Is Your Supply Chain Built to Survive?

In 2025, global supply chains are grappling with an intricate web of challenges that threaten their stability and efficiency. From escalating geopolitical tensions to sophisticated cyber threats, organizations worldwide are compelled to reassess and fortify their supply chain strategies.

Geopolitical Tensions and Trade Disruptions

The resurgence of protectionist policies and trade disputes has significantly disrupted global commerce. The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has urged major economies, notably the U.S. and China, to resolve escalating trade tensions that are dampening investment and consumer confidence. These disputes have led to increased costs for multinational corporations and have contributed to economic slowdowns in key markets.

Moreover, the concept of "friendshoring" has gained traction, with countries and companies seeking to relocate manufacturing and sourcing to geopolitical allies. While this strategy aims to mitigate risks associated with adversarial nations, it often results in increased production costs and supply chain complexities.

Cybersecurity Threats in an Interconnected World

The digitalization of supply chains has introduced new vulnerabilities. Cyberattacks targeting critical infrastructure have become more frequent and sophisticated. For instance, a cyberattack by Russia-linked hackers on rural Texas water plants in 2024 highlighted the susceptibility of public systems.

The World Economic Forum's Global Cybersecurity Outlook 2025 report indicates that 54% of large organizations identify supply chain interdependencies as the greatest barrier to achieving cyber resilience. The complexity of modern supply chains, coupled with limited visibility into third-party security practices, exacerbates these risks.

Inflationary Pressures and Resource Scarcity

Supply chain disruptions have also led to significant inflationary pressures. Consumers are facing price increases of up to 20% on essential goods, including food, electronics, and petroleum products. These hikes are attributed to geopolitical instability, increased shipping costs, and potential labor strikes.

Additionally, the scarcity of rare metals and minerals, essential for various industries, has intensified. Tariffs and regulatory challenges further exacerbate the availability and cost of these critical resources, compelling companies to explore alternative sourcing strategies.

Strengthening Supply Chains Through TAPA Compliance

These pressures are forcing organizations to think differently. It's no longer enough to pursue efficiency and cost-savings; resilience, flexibility, and security must be at the forefront of any supply chain strategy. The ability to anticipate risks, adapt quickly, and respond effectively is becoming a defining advantage in the current climate.

In this context, adopting robust frameworks for supply chain is not optional, it's essential. This is where the relevance of standards of Transported Asset Protection Association (TAPA) becomes clear. TAPA's comprehensive guidelines from physical facility security and secure transport operations to emerging frameworks addressing cybersecurity and business continuity planning equip organizations with practical tools to mitigate risks and build resilient supply chains. As the landscape evolves, aligning with TAPA Standards not only strengthens operational security but also sends a powerful message to partners and stakeholders: that preparedness is a priority, and resilience is a strategic commitment.

To know more about TAPA Standards, email info@tapa-apac.org

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Tariff Impact & Trade Compliance Webinar

Navigate Trade Uncertainties – How APAC Stays Ahead



In the wake of escalating trade tensions and shifting global policies, businesses worldwide are grappling with the ramifications of renewed U.S. tariffs under President Donald Trump's administration. The reimplementing of steep tariffs up on Chinese imports has not only strained U.S.-China relations but also disrupted global supply chains, leading to increased costs, logistical challenges, and strategic realignments across various industries.

Recognizing the profound implications of these trade dynamics, the Transported Asset Protection Association Asia Pacific (TAPA APAC) convened a critical webinar on April 29, titled "Tariff Impact & Trade Compliance."

In a time of rapid geopolitical shifts and rising trade uncertainty, TAPA APAC hosted a high-impact webinar that brought together three globally respected experts to dissect the evolving trade landscape and its implications for the supply chain industry. The session featured in-depth discussions on the effects of new tariffs, compliance strategies, and the urgent need to build resilient and adaptive supply chains.

The expert panel included Ms. Maureen Cori, Co-Founder of Supply Chain Compliance LLC and a U.S. Licensed Customs House Broker, known for her extensive work aligning complex trade regulations with industry practices across major logistics firms like DHL and TNT. Joining her was Mr. Martin Palmer, Global Trade Compliance & Logistics Expert at Hurricane Modular Commerce Ltd., whose four decades of experience in export controls and customs strategy have made him a leading voice in global trade compliance. Rounding out the panel was Mr. Douglas Mackay, a seasoned trade and customs advisor with over 40 years of experience nearly half of which was spent in China offering an invaluable perspective on the challenges faced by exporters navigating regulatory pressures in Asia.

Together, the speakers shared actionable insights and strategic guidance to help businesses protect operations, maintain compliance, and ensure continuity in a volatile global environment.

Opening Remarks by Mr. Tony Lugg, Chairperson of TAPA APAC



In his opening remarks, Mr. Tony Lugg, Chairperson of TAPA APAC, underscored the urgency of addressing the far-reaching consequences of global tariff shifts on the supply chain industry. He emphasized that the current trade environment demands not only awareness but also proactive measures to safeguard operations, ensure regulatory compliance, and maintain business continuity.

“ This is not just a trade issue it’s a supply chain issue, a security issue, and a business continuity issue said Mr. Lugg ”

Mr. Lugg emphasized that shifting geopolitics demand a reassessment of risk management and supply chain security. He urged businesses to embed resilience into their operations and view TAPA Standards not as optional, but as essential tools for navigating regulatory changes and emerging threats.

Understanding the Shifting Landscape

Kicking off the session, we welcomed the two globally experienced experts in trade compliance and logistics, Ms. Maureen Cori and Mr. Martin Palmer. Mr. Palmer offered a compelling overview of the escalating challenges in international trade, emphasizing the tangible impact of tariffs on the physical movement of goods across borders. A critical focal point of Palmer’s discussion was the U.S. government’s move to repeal the de minimis threshold, especially for shipments from China.

The de minimis rule, which currently allows the duty-free import of goods below a certain value (typically under \$800 in the U.S.), has long been a cost-saving mechanism for importers. “If it’s going to cost you more than you’re actually generating in revenue, then it doesn’t make a lot of sense to put a lot of effort into managing that,” Palmer explained, highlighting how the rule streamlines low-value imports. Changes are already underway. “We believe that the de minimis is going to be removed for shipments coming from China, but also for shipments with Chinese origin coming from other countries as well,” he said.

Understanding Tariffs



Hurricane



What is a Tariff?

A government tax or duty applied to goods imported from other countries.



Protect Industries

Increasing import costs to help local products compete better.



Generate Revenue

Taxes collected from tariffs provide income directly to the government.



Control Trade Balance

Used to reduce imports if a country imports more than it exports.













Nikkei Asia's Post

How Trump is slapping Asia-Pacific economies
U.S. respondents surveyed on April 2-3, 2018

Country	Percentage (%)
Cambodia	47
Laos	46
Vietnam	44
Sri Lanka	43
Myanmar	41
Bangladesh	40
Thailand	38
China	36
Taiwan	32
Indonesia	32
Pakistan	28
India	28
South Korea	25
Japan	24
Malaysia	24
Brunei	24
Philippines	24
Singapore	11
Australia	11
Turkey	11
Nepal	11
New Zealand	11

Source: White House

Tariff Stacking

The screenshot displays a U.S. Customs and Border Protection Form 3461, Part 2, which is a summary of the tariff calculation. The form is divided into several sections, including 'Description of Merchandise', 'Tariff Classification', 'Duty and Tax', and 'Totals'. The 'Description of Merchandise' section includes the item name, quantity, and unit. The 'Tariff Classification' section shows the Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS) code and the corresponding duty rate. The 'Duty and Tax' section calculates the duty amount, and the 'Totals' section shows the final duty and tax amounts. The form is filled out with handwritten and printed information, including the item name 'HOUSEHOLD ELECTRICITY', the quantity '1000', the unit 'CTN', the HTS code '8501.40.00', and the duty rate '12.1%'. The final duty amount is calculated as \$1,210.00. The form is also marked with a 'DUTY FREE' stamp and a 'DUTY PAID' stamp.

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U.S.-China Tariffs and the Global Trade Repercussions

Mr. Martin Palmer discussed the global ramifications of new U.S. tariffs, emphasizing their impact beyond the U.S.-China dynamic. He noted China's formal complaints to the WTO and its domestic responses, such as monetary easing and industry support. Palmer also highlighted that other nations, including the EU, have issued retaliatory tariffs, signaling increasing trade fragmentation. He stressed the importance for businesses to stay alert to evolving trade relations and countermeasures worldwide.

Building on this, both Palmer and Cori underlined the importance of accurately determining country of origin, a fundamental component in ensuring trade compliance. Cori pointed out that origin directly influences applicable duties, eligibility for preferential trade agreements, and labeling requirements.

“ Understanding the country of origin rules is critical when it comes to trade. General understanding of the duties associated with your origin and the compliance measures that need to be in place, when you're shipping your documentation ”

said Maureen. Palmer warned that non-compliance with trade regulations such as incorrect origin declarations or poor documentation can lead to severe penalties, including customs seizures and reputational harm. He urged companies to strengthen internal controls and training. He also highlighted the operational challenges posed by shifting trade dynamics, noting that traditional demand forecasting is becoming unreliable. As companies pivot from costly air freight to sea freight to cut expenses, they face longer transit times and inventory disruptions, underscoring the need for resilient, adaptable supply chains. Martin said,

“ Everything we've planned upon in the past is now going to be different... The history of trade is going to have less value now. We're navigating a future shaped by new rules, new risks, and an urgent need for adaptive strategies ”

Understanding Origin, Valuation, and Short-Term Strategies

Substantial transformation

US Customs [CBP] uses the substantial transformation goods for "non-preferential" purpose standard to determine the country of origin.

For a substantial transformation to occur:

- "a new and different article must emerge, 'having a distinctive name, character or use,'"
- Country of origin is determined by the country in which the last "substantial transformation" occurred prior to entry into the United States.
- Section 301 duties are applied based on country of origin, not country of exportation.

Participants in the video call include: Douglas George Mackay, Martin Palmer, Maureen Cori, Tony Long, Custom Media, Yvonne W., and Tisnat.

The session continued with Mr. Douglas Mackay, he started by sharing a sobering yet strategic perspective on the current compliance climate and the operational challenges that lie ahead for exporters in the region.

Building on his insights into risk and compliance, Douglas Mackay focused on the most misunderstood yet critical areas in global trade: rules of origin. As Mackay pointed out, rules of origin are enshrined in WTO agreements, and Article 9 outlines the principles surrounding “wholly obtained” goods and those that undergo substantial transformation. Mackay cautioned that many Asian companies rely on export-based origin rules, which conflict with U.S. standards that prioritize where substantial transformation occurs.

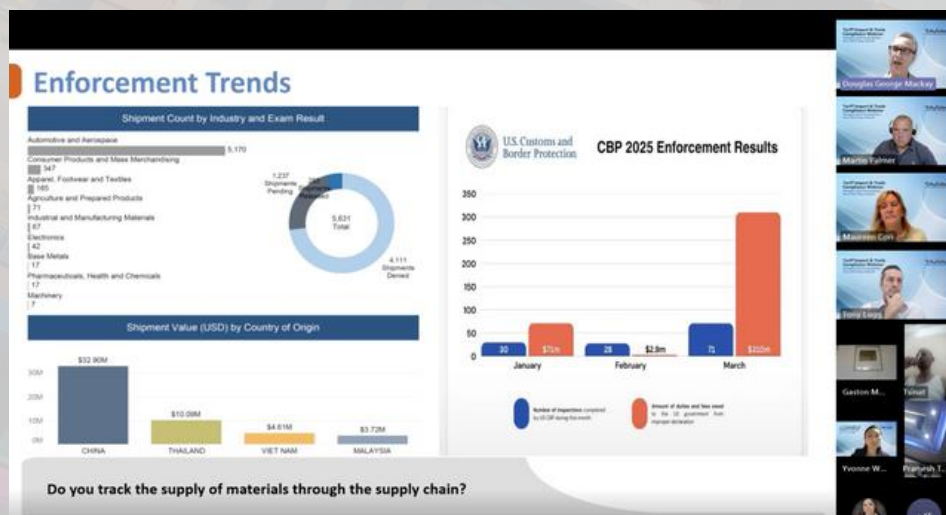
This misalignment poses a real risk. A product labeled “Made in Singapore” could still be deemed a Chinese-origin product by U.S. Customs if the substantial transformation occurred in China. Mackay underscored the importance of this distinction, referencing how few ASEAN nations have officially notified the WTO of their non-preferential rules, unlike the U.S., which has clear and enforceable definitions. These notifications are publicly accessible on the WTO website for verification.

“The origin is determined by the country in which the last substantial transformation occurred prior to entering the United States,” Mackay emphasized. “And duties are applied based on the country of origin, not the country of exportation. That is very important to remember.”

Mackay advised attendees to focus less on long-term infrastructure moves such as factory relocations and more on short-term compliance and cost-control tactics. “You can’t move a factory overnight. That’s long-term planning. What we need to focus on now is what we can manage in the short term.” He added a strong reminder that origin, classification, and valuation are the three pillars of trade compliance in today’s climate.

“ Each of these can be leveraged, legally and strategically, if properly understood. This is where companies must act now ”
said Mackay

Strategic Responses and Compliance Red Flags



Mackay issued a stark warning against risky tariff avoidance tactics, such as transshipment through third countries, noting that these strategies expose businesses to serious legal and reputational consequences as enforcement tightens. He emphasized that customs authorities are becoming more adept at detecting circumvention, and penalties are escalating.

Instead, he urged companies to pursue transparent, compliant practices grounded in accurate data and clear documentation. Looking forward, Mackay predicted intensified scrutiny especially in high-risk sectors like textiles and pharmaceuticals driven by stricter enforcement of U.S. forced labor laws and growing emphasis on ethical supply chains.

One crucial area of concern that Mackay highlighted is the U.S. False Claims Act, a powerful legal tool that allows whistleblowers to report fraudulent trade activity. "It's effectively a whistleblower mechanism," he explained, "and it's being used more frequently in trade-related cases, especially where there are misrepresentations about origin or labor practices."

Navigating Tariff Challenges with TAPA Standards

As businesses confront an increasingly volatile global trade environment, marked by aggressive tariff policies, regulatory unpredictability, and geopolitical realignments, the need for operational resilience has never been more urgent, making it clear that companies can no longer afford a reactive approach.

Yet amid this complexity, one clear takeaway emerges: resilience is no longer optional, it is strategic. TAPA Standards offer a blueprint for organizations to embed operational rigor, security, and continuity into their supply chains. Whether navigating origin-based classification risks, forced labor enforcement, or sudden tariff hikes, businesses equipped with globally recognized standards stand a better chance of staying compliant, agile, and competitive.

These standards aren't just about security; they are about sustainability and survival in an uncertain trade environment. By adopting TAPA Standards as part of their compliance and continuity planning, organizations can mitigate regulatory shocks and protect the integrity of their operations, ensuring that no matter where goods are sourced, how they are transported, or where they are destined, they are handled with foresight and fortified by best-in-class governance.

About The Speakers



Mr. Tony Lugg
Chairperson, TAPA APAC



Ms. Maureen Cori
Co-Founder of Supply Chain Compliance LLC



Mr. Douglas Mackay
Trade and Customs Advisor at Big Four



Mr. Martin Palmer
Global Trade Compliance & Logistics Expert at Hurricane Modular Commerce Ltd



TAPA APAC Congratulates **Sankyu Singapore** on its new Tuas Distribution Hub Built on TAPA FSR Standard Level A



The Transported Asset Protection Association Asia Pacific (TAPA APAC) congratulates Sankyu (Singapore) Pte Ltd on the official launch of its state-of-the-art Tuas Distribution Hub (TDH). As a subsidiary of the esteemed Japanese multinational Sankyu Inc., the company has achieved a significant milestone by adopting TAPA Facility Security Requirements (FSR) Standard at this newly developed logistics facility.

Announced during Sankyu Singapore's Customer Appreciation Night 25 April 2025, Mr. Katsumi Yajima, Managing Director of Sankyu Singapore, presented the company's unwavering commitment to operational excellence, supply chain security, and innovation in logistics infrastructure and sustainability.

TAPA FSR: More Than a Certification - A Strategic Framework



The TAPA Facility Security Requirements (FSR) Standard sets out the minimum industry standards for the secure warehousing and in-transit storage of goods across global supply chains. Achieving Level A, the highest level of certification, signifies a facility's commitment to implementing rigorous security controls that protect against theft, tampering, and other growing supply chain risks.

For Sankyu Singapore, this wasn't an afterthought it was a foundational principle. Mr. Junus Kartara, General Manager Logistics Division, shared that the Tuas Distribution Hub was developed with security, sustainability, and operational excellence in mind, aligned with the TAPA FSR framework.



A Shared Vision for Secure and Sustainable Logistics

The TAPA Facility Security Requirements (FSR) Standard provides companies like Sankyu Singapore with

with a robust framework to mitigate risk, enhance supply chain resilience, and safeguard high-value assets in today's increasingly complex logistics environment.

By adopting the FSR standard at their Tuas Distribution Hub, Sankyu is not only setting a global benchmark in secure facility operations but also

demonstrating true leadership in operational excellence and sustainability.

We congratulate Sankyu Singapore on this historic achievement and welcome them as a pioneer in the next generation of secure supply chain infrastructure.

Looking Ahead

The Tuas Distribution Hub is expected to be fully operational by January 2026, creating new employment opportunities and enhancing Singapore's position as a regional logistics powerhouse. Sankyu Singapore's proactive alignment with TAPA Standards reinforces the organisation's role as a leader in secure, efficient, and future-ready logistics.

For more information on how global TAPA Standards can support your business, contact info@tapa-apac.org.

A Purpose-Built Facility Rooted in TAPA Principles



Strategically located in Tuas Industrial Estate, adjacent to the new Tuas Mega Port, the four-storey, 38,380 m² TDH facility features 56,053 pallet positions in a fully air-conditioned, temperature-controlled environment. Built to support critical industries like pharmaceutical, healthcare, and nutritional sectors, TDH incorporates key elements of the FSR standard to safeguard product integrity and operational continuity.

Among the highlights of the TDH development:

Integrated Security and Compliance

The facility was designed to exceed the TAPA FSR Level A requirements, including robust perimeter protection, access control, surveillance systems, and procedural checks aligned with global security benchmarks.

Controlled Environment Storage

The warehouse maintains a stable 22°C ±2°C climate, with 12m high VNA racking, solar-powered infrastructure, and lithium-ion forklifts, ensuring both operational efficiency and reduced environmental impact.

Smart Automation and Handling

Autonomous Guided Vehicles (AGVs) enhance logistics efficiency by reducing human handling and streamlining warehouse operations features.

Regulatory Assurance

Designed in alignment with GDP, GWP, and GMP requirements, TDH offers secure, compliant solutions for customers demanding the highest level of quality assurance and traceability.

Sustainability

Based on the Sankyu Group's basic sustainability policy, it will contribute to reducing CO2 emissions due to the installation of solar panels on the rooftop to cover a portion of the power used in warehouses as well as lithium-ion batteries on all forklifts.

Recycling

Sankyu has further implemented a circular economy by having all plastic waste collected in the facility to be sent to a plastic recycling facility, Plaspulp Union Pte Ltd, to be recycled into plastic film wraps and reused at the facility.

New Members Update

Please join us in welcoming the latest companies to join TAPA APAC!

Company Name	Country	Category	Industry
ISC Vietnam Co., Ltd	Vietnam	Corporate Lite (CL)	Other - Consulting Services
JD Express Investment I (Hong Kong) Limited	Hong Kong	Corporate Lite (CL)	Warehousing and Distribution
Hackett Security Agency	Philippines	Corporate Lite (CL)	Centres
Jaguar Security and Investigation Agency	Philippines	Corporate Lite (CL)	Security
Shanghai Qianhao Logistics Co., Ltd	China	Corporate Lite (CL)	Security
Hoang Duc Pharmaceutical & Medical Supplies Co., Ltd	Vietnam	Corporate Lite (CL)	Logistics
ACT Logistics Co.,Ltd.	Korea (South)	Corporate Lite (CL)	Trading, Import & Export
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Best Services International Freight Limited
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DHL Express International (Thailand) Limited
Man Shun Shipping Company Limited
Schenker-Seino Co. Ltd
SF Yingyun Supply Chain Management (Huizhou) Co., Ltd (Grandthink SCM Company Limited)
Shenzhen Huafuyang Supply Chain Co. Ltd

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Tu Son City, Vietnam
Shenzhen, China
Beijing, China
Cochin, India
Bangkok, Thailand
Yuen Long, Hongkong
Chiba-ken, Japan
Huizhou, China
Shenzhen, China

Re-Certification

Baohentong Logistics (HK) Co. Ltd
DHL Express (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd - DHL Express APEC
DHL Express (Philippines) Sdn. Bhd - DHL Express APEC
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DHL Express India Pvt. Ltd - DHL Express APEC
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DHL Express India Pvt. Ltd - DHL Express APEC
DHL Global Forwarding (Korea) Ltd. (Incheon Cargo Center)
DHL Global Forwarding (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd
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DHL Korea Ltd. - DHL Express APEC
DHL - Sinotrans International Air Courier Ltd.
DHL-VNPT Express Ltd - DHL Express APEC
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Schenker Logistics (Suzhou) Co., Ltd
Team Global Logistics (Suzhou) Co., Ltd.
Team Global Express Pty Ltd.
TMC Metal (Malaysia) Sdn Nd

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Pasa City, Philippines
Cebu, Philippines
Laguna, Philippines
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Hyderabad, India
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Penang, Malaysia
Busan, Korea
Kyunggi Do, Korea
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Selangor, Malaysia
Penang, Malaysia
Suzhou City, China
Melbourne, Australia
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FSR 2023 Level C

Company Name

Country

New Certification

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Delhivery Limited
Delhivery Limited
Delhivery Limited
Delhivery Limited
Delhivery Limited
Schenker India Pvt. Ltd
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Schenker India Pvt. Ltd

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Mangalore, India
Mysore, India
Bhiwandi, India
Navi Mumbai, India
Bulandshahr, India

Re-Certification

Kuehne & Nagel Pte. Ltd

Singapore

TSR 2023 Level 2

Company Name

Country

New Certification

Chengdu Zhongkun Logistics Co. Ltd
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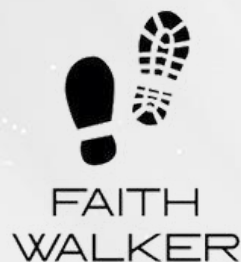
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