

TradelinkFX

Import Supply Chain & Trade Compliance Automation

by ISN — Cape Town, South Africa | www.isn.ms/import-automation

Designed for South African companies

managing large-scale cross-border equipment imports under SARB and SARS compliance obligations.

THE CHALLENGE

Every cross-border equipment payment into South Africa triggers a chain of compliance obligations: Advance Payment Notifications to your authorised dealer bank, Balance of Payments reporting to the Reserve Bank, Foreign Exchange Contract drawdown reconciliation, and ultimately SAD 500 acquittals to close the loop with SARS. Across multiple concurrent projects — each with different suppliers, freight forwarders, and FEC maturities — this process is almost universally managed manually, in spreadsheets, with email trails that are difficult to audit and easy to get wrong.

WHAT TRADELINK FX DOES

✓	APN Automation	Automatically records and reports Advance Import Payments to your authorised dealer with 100% accuracy — eliminating manual BOP 101/103 submissions and multi-day fund release delays.
✓	Three-Way Matching	Instantly reconciles Purchase Orders, Supplier Invoices, and SAD 500 Customs Declarations without manual data entry — across multiple concurrent shipments and suppliers.
✓	FEC Drawdown Reconciliation	Matches every Foreign Exchange Contract drawdown against the corresponding shipment documentation — flagging discrepancies before they become audit findings.
✓	Freight Forwarder Hub	A single collaboration point for suppliers and freight forwarders to share shipping documents, track VAT and duty charges, and receive payment confirmation — replacing fragmented email chains.
✓	Duplicate & Fraud Detection	Automatically checks for duplicate or fraudulent documents across all incoming supplier and customs submissions.
✓	Statutory Archiving	Securely stores all trade documents for the 5-year statutory period, making SARS audits and Reserve Bank queries immediate and effortless.
✓	ERP Integration via API	Connects directly to your existing accounting or ERP system — no parallel data entry, no reconciliation overhead.

Significant

Man-hours saved per year

10+

Industries served in South Africa

100%

SARB & SARS compliance accuracy

CLIENT REFERENCE

GEA Africa

(Pty) Ltd

German-origin industrial equipment company
Cape Town, South Africa

Import profile:

High-value capital equipment
EUR/USD cross-border payments
SARB & SARS compliance obligations
Multiple freight forwarders

“Over the last five years, ISN has been instrumental in our digital transformation. The Tradelink platform provides the automated integration of our ERP data from purchase order to freight forwarders, offering in-depth tracking and generating vital audit data for compliance with SARS and Reserve Bank regulations.”

“GEA Africa (Pty) Ltd is now the best-in-class performer globally in overdue receivables %, inter-continental payables management, liquidity management and improved efficiencies/automation.”

Pieter Stemmet, Senior Director of Finance — Southern & Eastern Africa and West Africa

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Full reference letter available on request.

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Browser-based • Mobile-ready • API-first

ERP-agnostic • AD / OAuth2 / PAM
authentication