

Product Information

Descartes Argentina Air Advanced Electronic Information™ (Descartes Argentina Air AEI™)



Meeting Argentina Customs Advanced Manifest Requirements for Air

The Argentine Tax and Customs Authority, or Administración Federal de Ingresos Públicos (AFIP), requires detailed advance information for air cargo entering its borders. In order to ship into or through the country, filers need to have effective tools in place to submit the required information to the AFIP. If filings are not made in the right format or on time, goods may be refused entry or could be reshipped to another destination.

Descartes Argentina Air Advanced Electronic Information™ (Descartes Argentina Air AEI™) is an on-demand Software as a Solution (SaaS) product that helps customs brokers, air carriers, air freight forwarders and self-filing importers easily collect, prepare and submit the needed information to enable compliance.

The solution features advanced data validation and seamless transmission of the manifest data to the AFIP within the specified guidelines. Information entered or captured by the system is automatically mapped into the 4 message sets of the International Air Transport Association (IATA) Cargo Extensible Markup Language (Cargo-XML) standards for airfreight required for compliance including:

- Airline Flight Manifest (XFFM) that notifies the AFIP of shipment details with all associated air waybills
- Air Waybill / Master Air Waybill (XFWB) that contains the extended details of each air waybill included in the flight manifest
- House Air Waybill (XFZB) that details the House Air Waybills contained in each Master Air Waybill

Descartes Argentina Air AEI leverages the Descartes Global Logistics Network™ (Descartes GLN™), which allows the world's leading transportation providers to connect to their trading partners, reliably exchange information, drive-up delivery performance and ensure world-class customer service. The Descartes GLN helps companies better manage end-to-end logistics processes, track and manage inventory, meet regulatory requirements, optimize fleet performance and effectively collaborate with global partners.

Descartes offers users a choice of flexible access and connectivity options to facilitate compliance including:

Option 1 – An advanced, tightly-integrated, system-to-system Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) connection

Option 2 – For customers who cannot create an electronic structured message or who prefer manual data entry, Descartes also offers web-based options that allow users to key-in information

Potential Benefits

With the Descartes Argentina Air AEI solution in place, filers can potentially:

- Reduce the risk of errors, delays, possible penalties and reshippments
- Improve efficiency and productivity by leveraging a single point-of-access
- Centrally collect, audit and manage critical filing information
- Attain a higher-level of visibility with real-time access to cargo status messages
- Minimize training and eliminate the costs associated with an on-premise solution
- Leverage the Descartes Global Logistics Network™ (Descartes GLN™) to optionally distribute messages and status information to clients and more

Features

- Full EDI and XML data-integration capabilities
- Optional integration with back-office systems increases data-quality and minimizes manual intervention
- Ability to expand to other compliance modules in parallel to business growth
- Existing filings may be easily duplicated to jumpstart data entry
- A comprehensive search & query functionality helps to speed customer service
- An intuitive user interface mirrors the same basic fields commonly found in trade documentation
- Reference and reporting capabilities in a familiar Microsoft® Excel-driven format
- Quick-running, streamlined technology with a small memory footprint
- As part of the Descartes GLN™, all information is securely transmitted