



Postal services in the palm of your hand

The UPU is developing mobile apps to help posts reach their customers directly, to help create efficiencies, and to move further into the digital age in a cost-effective way. First up: an app to help facilitate the exchange of electronic advance data (EAD).



Since the release of the EAD Mobile App in December 2020, more than 40 posts actively use the EAD Mobile App, with almost 10,000 active devices.

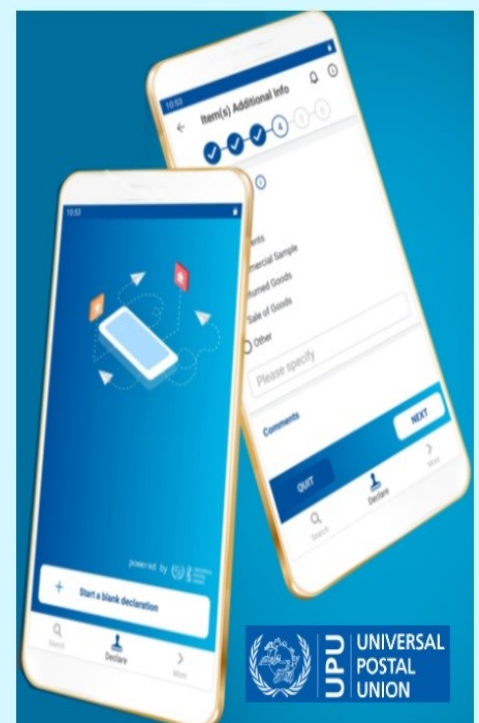
With electronic advance data or EAD, customs in the receiving country knows ahead of time what it will get. The destination country can perform risk assessments and financial assessments ahead of time and select parcels for inspection in advance.

The EAD Mobile App, for electronic advance data, allows customers to complete a customs declaration by entering required data on their phones from anywhere. The data is then sent automatically to the Customs Declaration System.

“So far, we have always provided IT solutions to the Post regarding customs,” said Stéphane Herrmann, Lead Technical Account Manager for Mail Products and Services. “But now we are targeting the customers, also, to make it easier for the Post. There will be more and more IT tools for the customers because what we want is to get rid of the paper forms.”

For more information, you may refer to the following URL link.

<https://www.upu.int/en/News/2022/1/Solution-Spotlight-Postal-services-in-the-palm-of-your-hand>





Thailand Post launches recycle postal project

Thailand Post in collaboration with local SCG Packaging Public Company Limited (SCGP) has been launching the reBOX #3 postal project under the concept of “reBox to School” which has been receiving a positive response from Thai people to join in environment protection since 2020.



This year, Thailand Post and SCGP are preparing to recycle unused boxes/envelopes into table and chair sets to deliver to Border Patrol Police School students across the country at the end of the year. Those who are interested can collect unused boxes/envelopes and bring them to the nearest post office nationwide, as well as other collection points until 31 October 2022.

“Thailand Post has organized the reBOX postal project for the 3rd year to continue creating benefits for society. As well as campaigning for Thai people to change their perspective on managing unused boxes/sachets, change from ordinary packaging waste to be valuable to society again.”, said Dr Danan Suphatthaphan, President of Thailand Post.

To find out more, please refer to the following URL .

https://www.thailandpost.co.th/un/article_detail/article/11/23866

Video: "reBox post office" turns worthless things into valuable

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SQ1ibf7wuto>



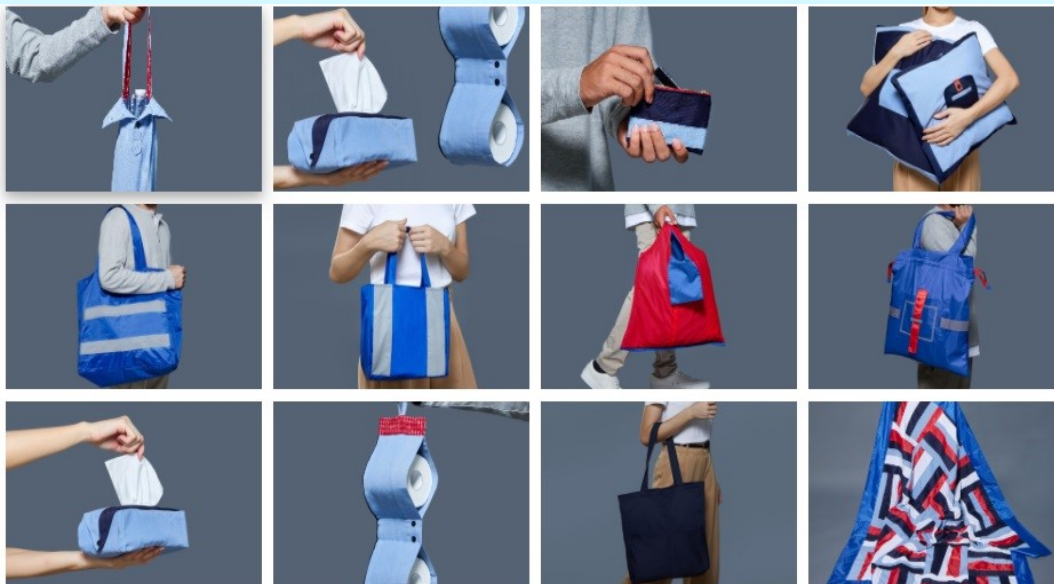
Old postmen uniforms gave new lease of life under SingPost's upcycling initiative

In October 2021, Singapore Post launched an upcycling initiative to give its old blue uniforms a new lease of life. Close to 33,000 old uniforms weighing 12 tons were replaced in 2020 as part of SingPost's uniform redesign.

The old uniforms were used to create 12 lifestyle products, including water repellent tote bags, tissue holders, cushion covers and picnic mats.

Please refer to the following URL links to find out more.

<https://www.singpost.com/about-us/news-releases/old-postmen-uniforms-given-new-lease-life-under-singpost%E2%80%99s-re%3Apost-upcycling-initiative>



Video: Old uniforms, new life

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tLkPSL_Bd7Q

Upcoming APPC Courses

The training courses for March 2022 are:

Transformation of Postal Organization (TPO)

21 Mar – 1 Apr 2022

Strategy Formulation & Execution (SFE)

21 Mar – 1 Apr 2022

Digital Innovation and Development of Postal Services (DID)

24 - 29 Mar 2022

(DID workshop will be facilitated by the *Shijiazhuang Posts and Telecommunications Technical College (SPTC)* of China, the strategic partner of APPC.)

