

The European Union

Markets, Trade and Sustainability

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1. EU market and trade: development and trends



EU market: main trends

- EU market: dynamic consumption growth and increasing deficit
 - Increased consumption (20 kg per capita)
 - EU supply down by 30% in 10 years
 - Large increase of imports
 - Self sufficiency rate down
- EU: a very attractive market
 - Largest, most profitable, involving large global companies
 - Fish market globalised market
 - Dynamic development of new products sold in the EU
- Active and integrated internal market
 - Main MS producers export essentially within the EU
 - Interdependence of EU markets



Supply of the EU market

Volume: 13 million tonnes live weight equivalent (human consumption)

EU Production = 6 million tonnes

Imports = 9 million tonnes

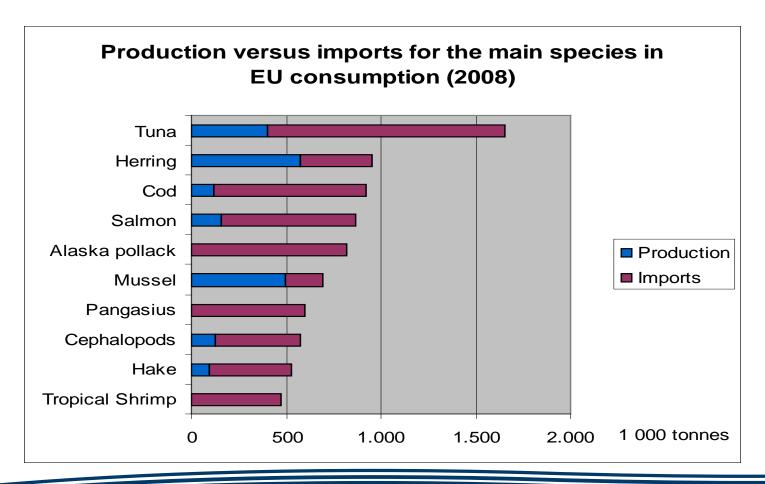
Exports = 2 million tonnes

Value: €55 billion

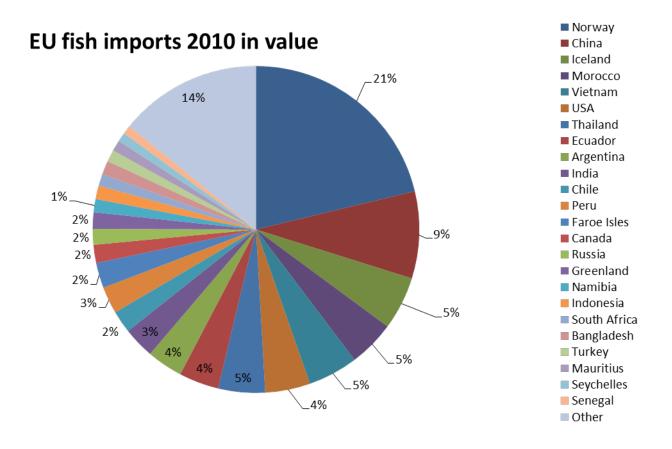
First market in the world ahead of the USA, Japan or China (first in volume)



Strong dependency on imports

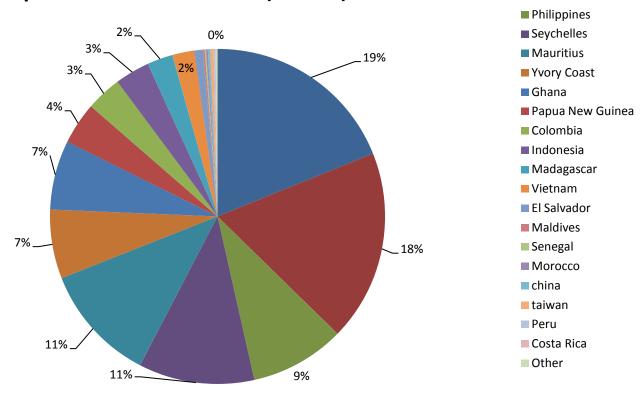








EU imports canned tuna 2011 (tonnes)

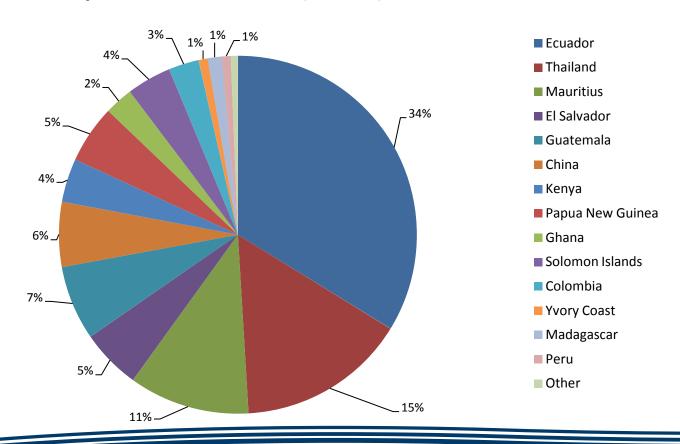




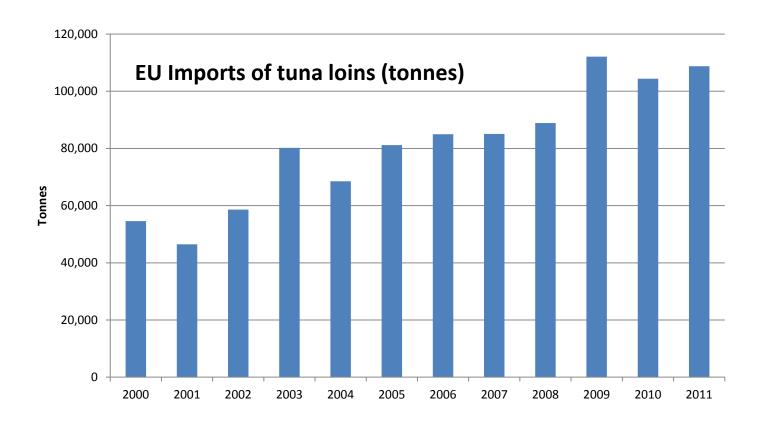
■ Ecuador

■ Thailand

EU imports tuna loins 2011 (tonnes)

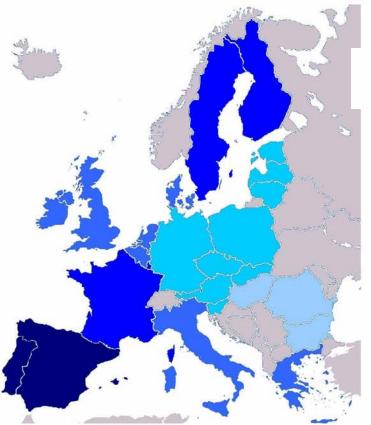






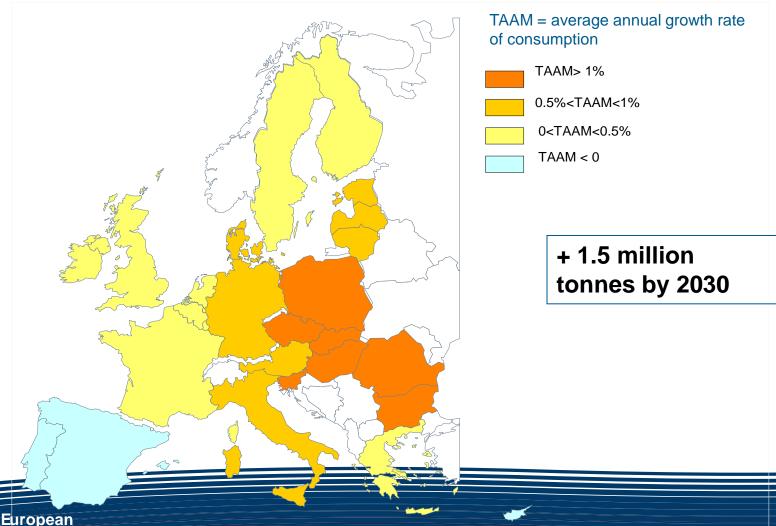


Heterogeneous consumption habits





Expected consumption growth



2. The CFP reform and its impact on sustainability



1. Main principles of the EU CFP Reform

- No discards
- MSY
- Science basis
- Precautionary approach
- Ecosystem approach
- Legality and compliance
- Performance (fishery management)



2. Why an external dimension of the CFP?

- 85% of world fish stocks are fully or over-exploited
- Fishing presence: EU vessels fish in all oceans
- Market power: EU consumes some 25% of the world fisheries resources in terms of value
- International agenda: EU participates in all relevant bodies (UN, FAO, OECD, 13 RFMOs...)
- Key partner: Bilateral and multilateral fisheries dialogues and agreements around the globe



3. External dimension of the CFP Reform

- Transforming dialogues into working partnerships
- Upholding and strenghtening the global architecture for fisheries governance
- Contributing towards more effective functioning of RFMOs





4. Labelling for responsible consumption

Better choice for consumers and product differentiation

- Setting mandatory information NEW
 - More precise and clear product provenance (Articles 42 to 45 of the new CMO)
 - Date of catch/harvest for fresh/chilled products
 - Information on commercial designation + provenance + catch/harvest for canned products
- Framework for voluntary information NEW
 - Without prejudice to legal framework for the labelling of all food products
 - Possibility to set minimum criteria if necessary



4. EU IUU Regulation (EC) 1005/2008)

- Main components of the EU IUU Regulation:
 - The catch certification scheme
 - Provisions on the inspection of third country fishing vessels in ports of a EU Member State (Port State Measures)
 - The EU IUU vessel list
 - List of non-cooperating third countries
 - Provisions concerning EU nationals
 - Assistance to third countries
 - System for mutual assistance and administrative cooperation



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Catch Certificate

- All marine fishery products traded with the EU, including processed products, must be accompanied by validated catch certificates
- Appropriate flag State authority of the fishing vessel(s) that made the catches will validate the catch certificate
- The validation must certify that the catch was made in accordance with applicable laws, regulations and international conservation and management measures
- Validation can only be done by flag States
- Also EU catches must be validated upon exports if:
 - The receiving third country requires so (list on EU IUU website)
 - Catches are to be re-exported to the EU

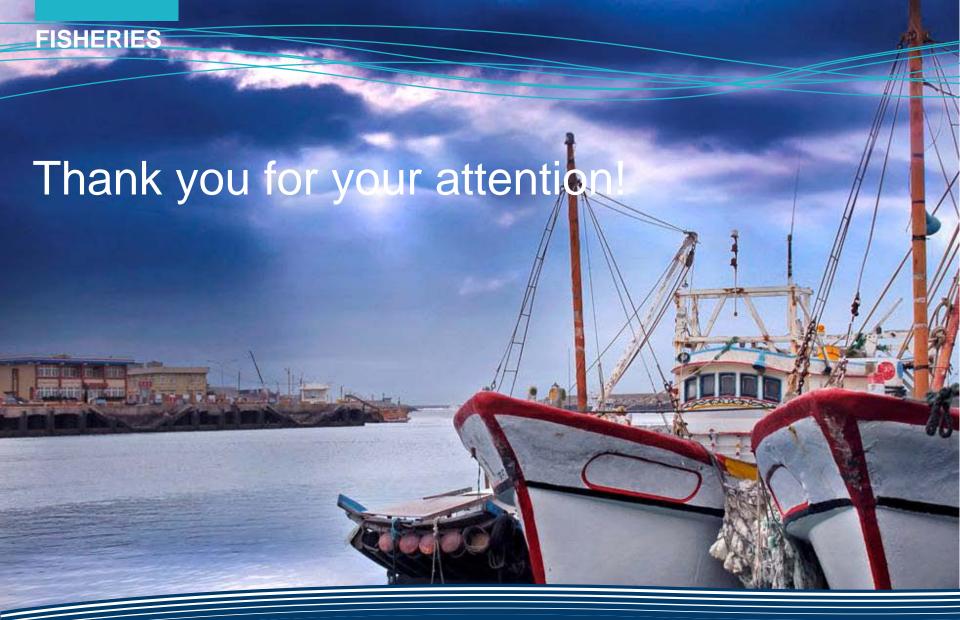


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Expected benefits

- All More sustainable management of fisheries
- Improved control over fishing activities:
- carried out by a flag State's vessels
- occurring in a coastal State's waters
- Increased revenues for fishing activities which are normally exploited by IUU operators
- Improved welfare and the livelihood of fishing communities and local fishermen
- Establishment of fair trade of fishery products
- Improved cooperation in the fight against IUU fishing







http://ec.europa.eu/fisheries/index_en.htm