

# The EU tuna industry. "Challenges and Prospects"

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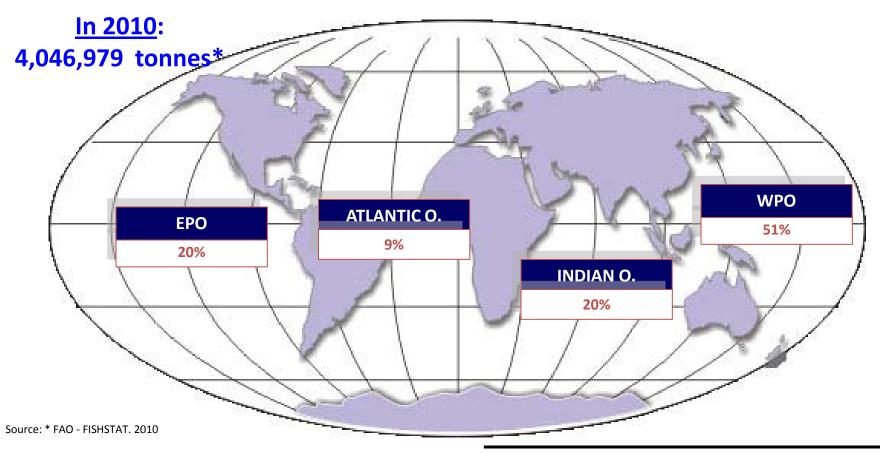
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#### The current situation of the EU<sub>27</sub> tuna industry: Global catches of tropical tuna species.

## The global catches of tropical tuna species in all oceans has stabilized around 4 millions tons.





#### The current situation of the EU<sub>27</sub> tuna industry: Global catches of tuna species.

#### <u>TABLE 1</u>

Table 1 shows global catches of tropical tuna by species in 2010:

	Tonnes	%
Skipjack	2,523,001	62%
Bigeye	358,682	9%
Yellowfin	1,165,296	29%
TOTAL	4,046,979	100%

#### TABLE 2

Considering albacore, table 2 shows global catches of tuna by species in 2010:

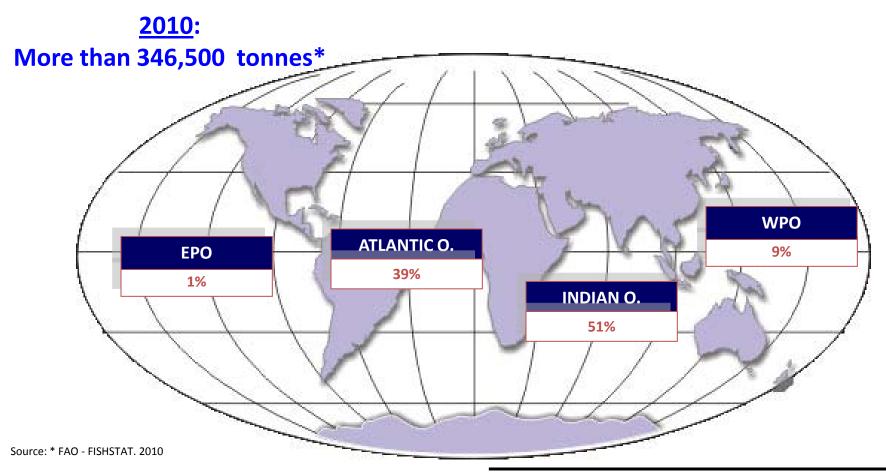
	Tonnes	%
Skipjack	2,523,001	59%
Bigeye	358,682	8%
Yellowfin	1,165,296	27%
Albacore	255,290	6%
TOTAL	4,302,269	100%

Source: FAO - FISHSTAT. 2010



The current situation of the  $EU_{27}$  tuna industry:  $EU_{27}$  catches of tropical tuna species.

How many are the EU<sub>27</sub> catches on the global catches of tropical tuna species?





#### The current situation of the EU<sub>27</sub> tuna industry: EU<sub>27</sub> catches of tuna species.

## Table 1 shows EU<sub>27</sub> catches of tropical tuna by species in 2010:

	Tonnes	%
Skipjack	190,447	55%
Bigeye	37,323	11%
Yellowfin	118,779	34%
TOTAL	346,549	100%

#### TABLE 2

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Considering albacore, table 2 shows EU<sub>27</sub> catches of tuna by species in 2010:

	Tonnes	%
Skipjack	190,447	52%
Bigeye	37,323	10%
Yellowfin	118,779	33%
Albacore	18,217	5%
TOTAL	364,766	100%

Source: FAO – FISHSTAT. 2010

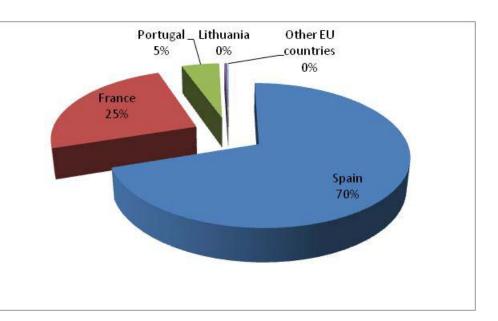


The current situation of the  $EU_{27}$  tuna industry:  $EU_{27}$  catches of tropical tuna species.

## The table and the graphic below show the EU<sub>27</sub> catches of **tropical tuna by Member States** in 2010.

	Tonnes	%
Spain	242,220	70%
France	85,491	25%
Portugal	17,152	5%
Lithuania	1,408	0%
Other EU countries	278	0%
TOTAL	346,549	100%

Source: FAO - FISHSTAT. 2010



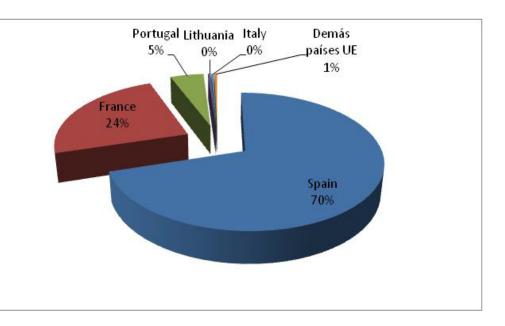


The current situation of the EU<sub>27</sub> tuna industry: EU<sub>27</sub> catches of tuna species.

## Taking into account **albacore**, the table and the graphic below show the $EU_{27}$ catches of tuna by Member States in 2010:

	Tonnes	%
Spain	256,347	70%
France	86,928	24%
Portugal	17,425	5%
Lithuania	1,408	0%
Italy	1,110	0%
Other EU countries	1,548	1%
TOTAL	364,766	100%

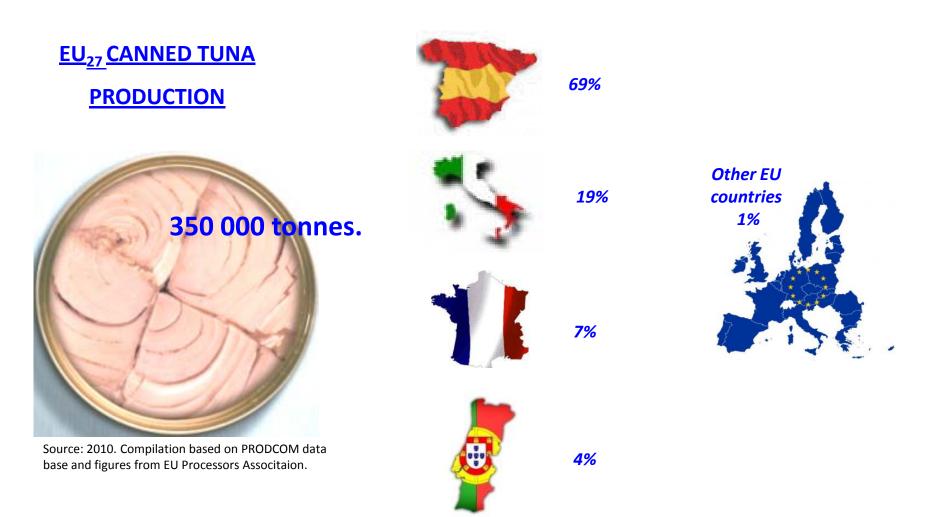
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The current situation of the EU<sub>27</sub>tuna industry: EU<sub>27</sub> canned tuna production



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#### The current situation of the EU<sub>27</sub> tuna industry: EU<sub>27</sub> Canned tuna external trade



Source: EUROSTAT. 2011

EU<sub>27</sub> Canned tuna exports:

Intra Community: 158,073 Tonnes. Extra Community: 20,662 Tonnes. Total: 178,735 Tonnes.



EU<sub>27</sub> Canned tuna imports: Intra Community: 180,108 Tonnes. Extra Community: 388,679 Tonnes. Total: 568,787 Tonnes.



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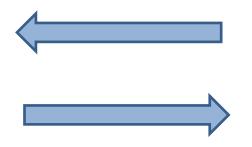


#### The current situation of the EU<sub>27</sub> tuna industry: Tuna loins external trade



#### EU<sub>27</sub> tuna loins Exports:

Intra Community: 4,695 Tonnes. Extra Community: 410 Tonnes. **Total: 5,105 Tonnes.** 



EU<sub>27</sub> tuna loins imports: Intra Community: 4,706 Tonnes. Extra Community: 109,302 Tonnes. Total: 114,008 Tonnes.

Source: EUROSTAT. 2011



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The EU<sub>27</sub> tuna market: Current situation: Canned tuna consumption

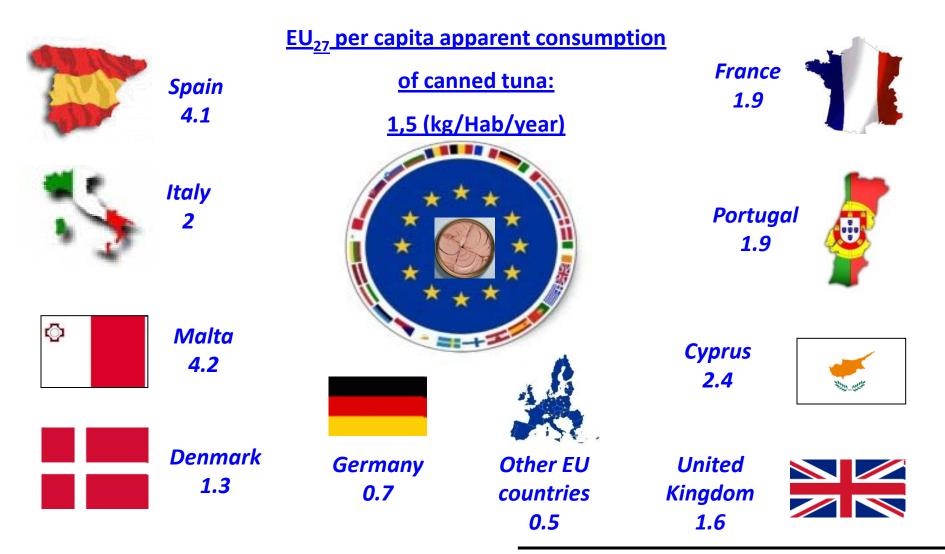
## The EU<sub>27</sub> canned tuna consumption is on average:

## 700.000 tonnes





#### The EU<sub>27</sub> tuna market: Current situation: EU<sub>27</sub> Per capita apparent consumption of canned tuna



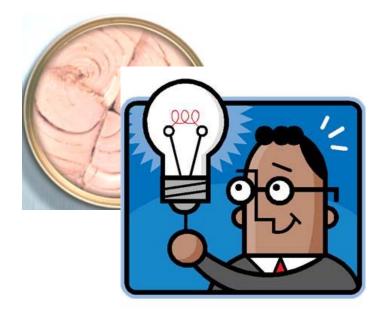
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## **R&D&I IN THE CANNED TUNA INDUSTRY**

## The canned tuna industry is firmly committed to R&D&I, by adding value.

## Some examples,...



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#### Salads



#### **Advertisement**

#### **Prepared dishes**



















#### Tuna Carpaccio

#### Package







#### The EU<sub>27</sub> tuna market: Sustainability in the EU<sub>27</sub> tuna sector

#### Sustainability

The EU tuna industry is firmly committed to the sustainability of tuna resources

•The EU tuna industry is firmly committed to the sustainability of tuna resources and their rational exploitation under the responsible management guidelines outlined in the corresponding RFMOs

- •The long-term conservation of tuna resources is key to the future of the EU tuna fleet & industry.
- The EU tuna industry is firmly committed to work for the environmental respect and tuna longterm management.
  - •The sustainability is a concern for everybody:
    - Sector
    - •Consumers
    - Distribution
    - Environmental NGOs



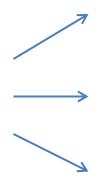
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**RMFOs** 

ICCAT- International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tuna IOTC- Indian Ocean Tuna Commission IATTC- Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission WCPCF- Western and Central Pacific Tuna Commission

The EU tuna fleet and industry are fully compliant with all the measures applicable to tuna fishing adopted by these RFMOs



**Management measures:** TAC and quotas, number of vessels authorised to fish, closure areas and periods, gradual introduction of a responsible management of FADS, etc

Technical measures: mesh sizes; minimum lenghts, etc

**Monitoring measures:** Satellite monitoring, inspection; monitoring and surveillance of fishing activity



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Furthermore,

- Measures taken by the EU: For example, the EU Regulation against IUU Fishing (EC Regulation 1005/2008).

- ISSF whose global mission is: "to undertake science-based initiatives with all stakeholders to facilitate the long-term conservation and sustainable use of target fish stocks and to maintain the health of the marine ecosystem".

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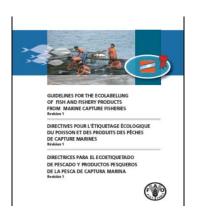


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**Eco-labeling** 

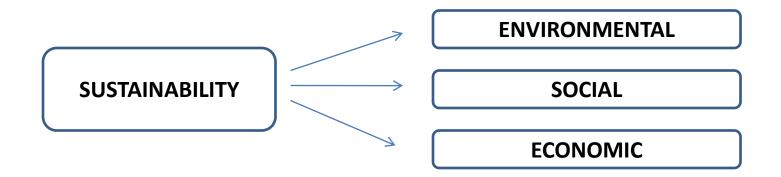
FAO principles for eco-labeling. Eco-certification system of Marine Stewardship Council (MSC). Eco-certification system of Friend of the Sea.







The EU tuna industry is firmly committed to the sustainability in tuna sector.



**CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY POLICY** 

•Policy on sustainable supply.

•Policy on environmental responsibility.

- Policy on quality and food security.
  - Policy on social responsibility

• Policy on Transparency and Research Promotion



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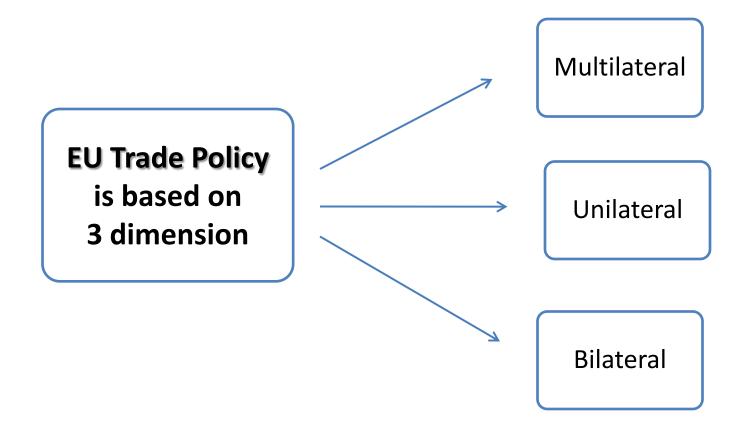
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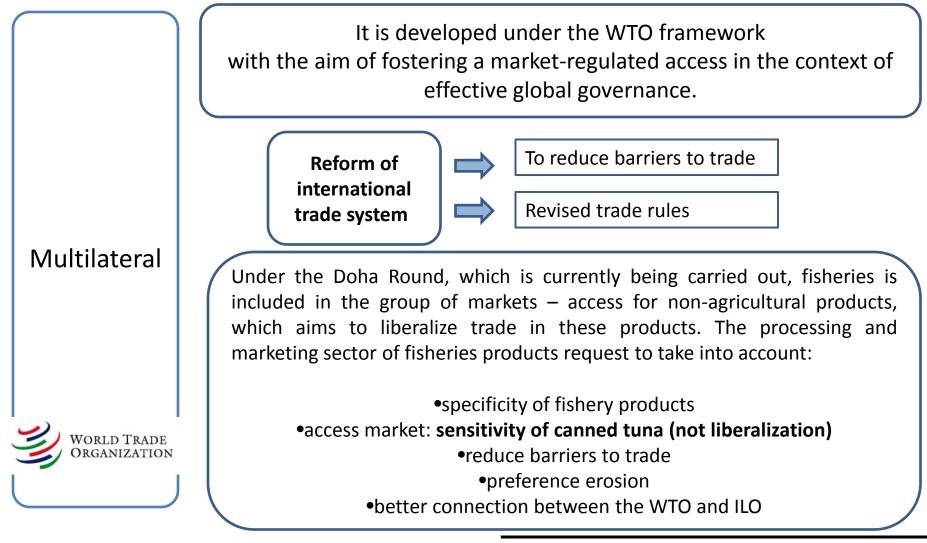
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The EU applies unilateral measures as an instrument of trade policy in the interests of development and / or political stability, according to the key policy priorities of the EU. Among these measures, we highlight: THE GENERALISED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES (GSP)

The GSP provides for the following tariff preferences:

	Special Arrangment	
General	for the	GSP plu
Arrangment	Least-developed countries - EBA	GSP plu

The GSP Regulation is currently being reformed. The future GSP has:

- $\checkmark$  to concentrate preferences on those developing countries most in need.
- $\checkmark$  to maintain the current vulnerability criteria (GSP plus).

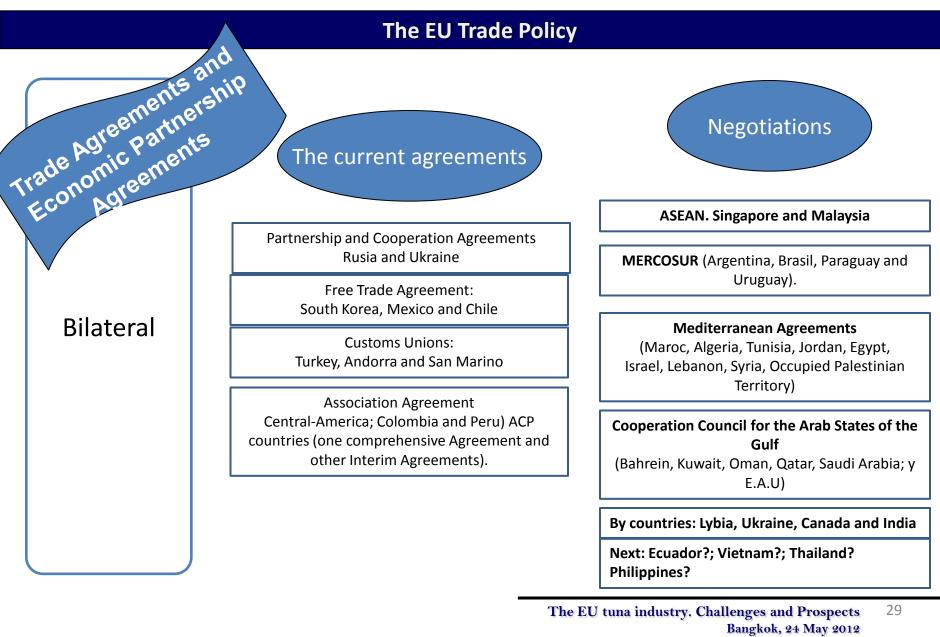
 ✓ Ratification and effective implementation of International Conventions for all GSP beneficiary-countries. Effective monitoring.

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#### Unilateral



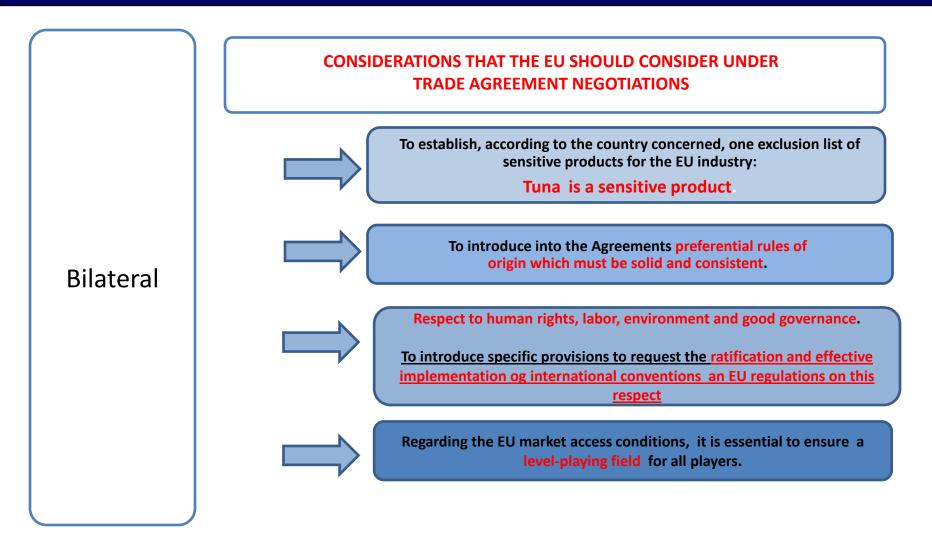






The negotiations of trade agreements currently carried out between the EU and Third countries tend to liberalize the market between the two parties. Among other products, the canned tuna products (sensitive products for the EU industry) are usually included under this liberalization process If these agreements are not negotiated in a right way, on the EU side, they could pose a major threat to the EU tuna industry.





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## The EU tuna market access and Preferential rules of origin

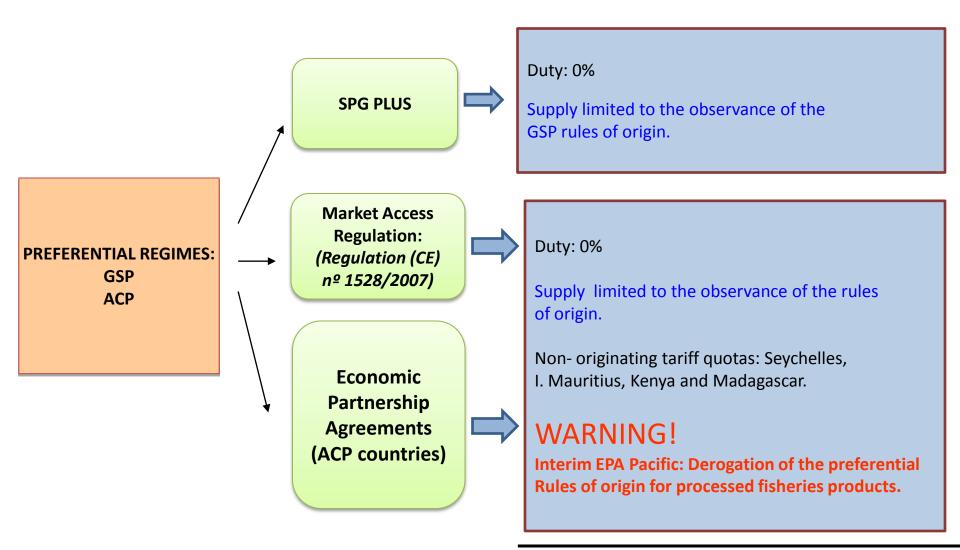
In practical terms, notwithstanding our own EU production, the World competition to access the EU market from overseas productions was binary:

Preferential access (GSP and ACP) and general access for third countries.

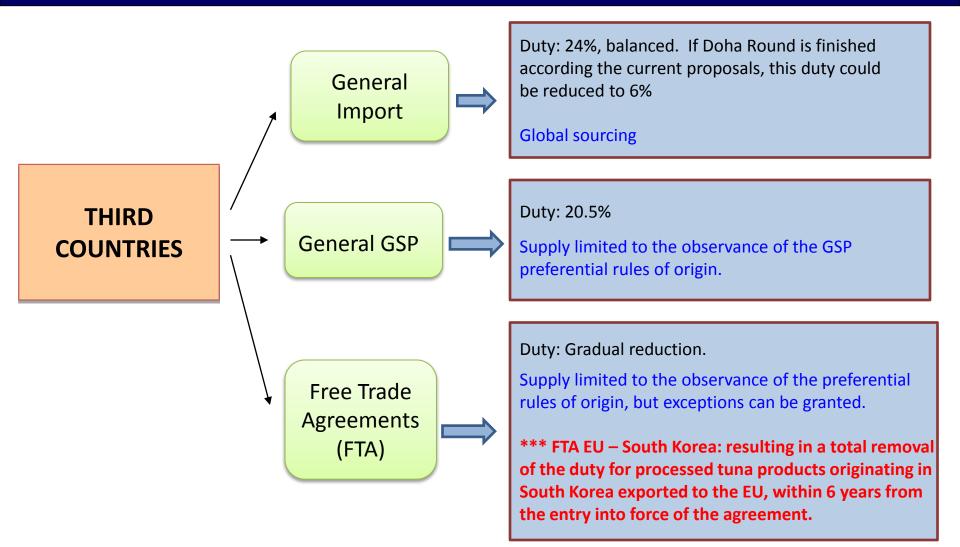
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## For the above-mentioned reasons,

## Is TUNA being considered by the European Commission as a sensitive product for the EU under Trade Negotiations????

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The Interim Economic Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Pacific States: PNG



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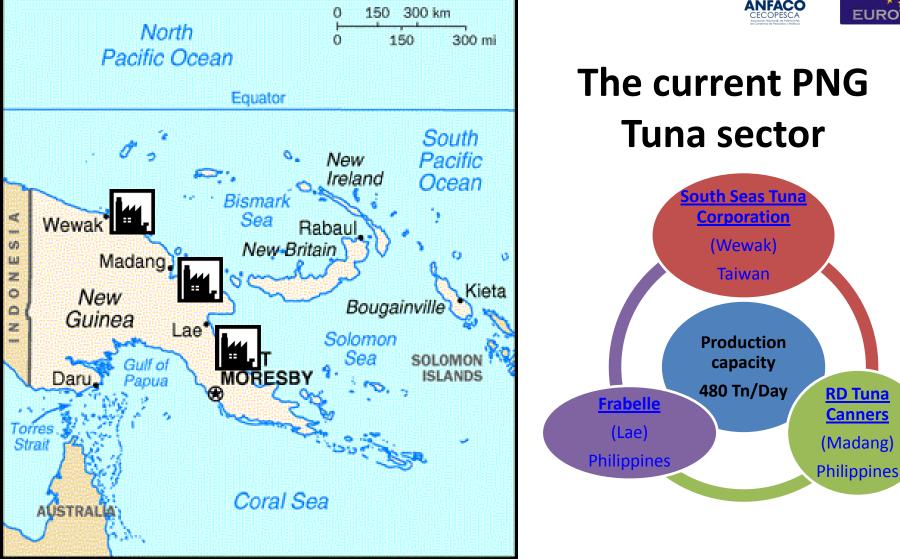
Derogation of the rules of origin for processed fisheries products

Unique and specific advantage on trading their tuna products in the EU market

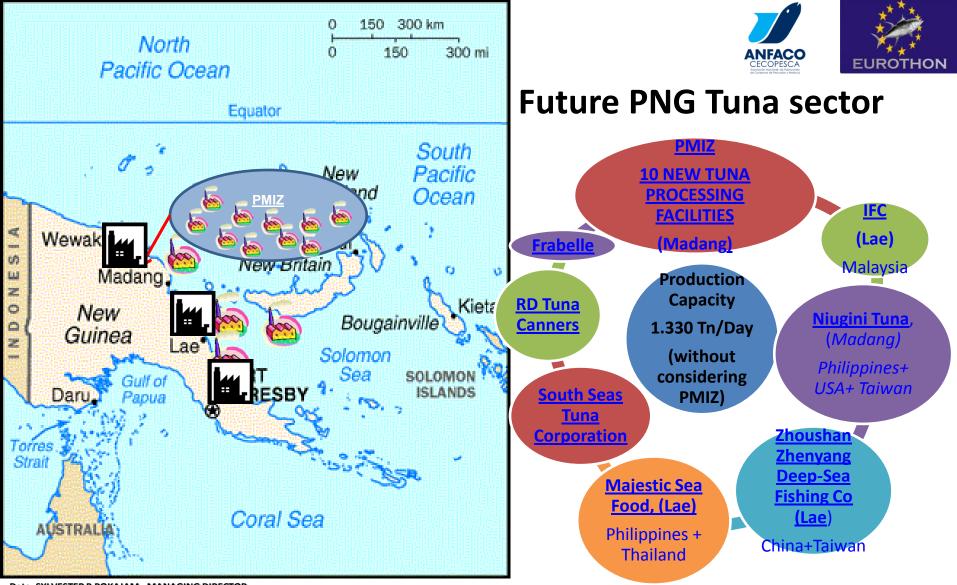


The EU ensures that this provision will not create a precedent in the framework of other free trade arrangement negotiations involving the EU.





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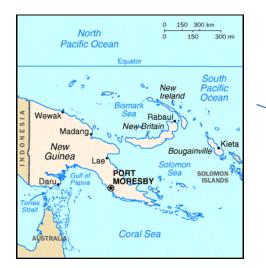
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EU<sub>27</sub> Canned Tuna Consumption on average: 700.000 Tons

> Main target for the canned tuna due to EPA (0% duty and global sourcing)



345.800 Tonnes/year of processed tuna

 More than the EU canned tuna production!!!!
Nearly 50% of EU canned tuna consumption!!!
Nearly 90% of Extra EU imports!!!

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Therefore,

¿EU<sub>27</sub> industry (25.000 direct jobs)?

¿GSP+ industry (35.000 direct jobs)? ¿other ACP industry (20.000 direct jobs)?

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Report on the Implementation of the derogation to the standard rules of origin granted to the Pacific ACP States in the framework of the Interim Economic Partnership Agreement\* PAPUA NEW GUINEA

✓ Report conducted during 2011 according the provisions established under the Interim Economic Partnership Agreement.

 $\checkmark$  27 February 2012.- Report published on the DG TRADE web page.

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## **MAIN CONCLUSIONS of this report**

"existing plants have generally been able to meet raw material needs with EU-compliant catches",

"the impact of PNG's global sourcing RoO derogation on development effects on the PNG economy has been negligible"

"the derogation is expected to have a partial impact on development effects on the PNG economy"

"the impact of the derogation has been negligible in terms of long term income and employment generation"".

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## in the light of these conclusions:

## Are there reasons to maintain the global sourcing for the Pacific States???



Therefore, the EU tuna industry asks for the urgent need to re-establish the preferential rules of origin under the Interim Economic Partnership in order not to put the EU – GSP+ -ACP industry future at risk, mainly in those regions highly dependent of the fishing :

Maintaining employment.

• Making wealth and development of the economy.



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## Conclusions: Keys for the future of the EU tuna industry

- 1. A LEVEL PLAYING FIELD FOR ALL OPERATORS in the market. The EU tuna industry supports third countries development cooperation and is committed to maintain a free- competition market, but ALWAYS under A LEVEL PLAYING FIELD FOR ALL OPERATORS. This entails strict enforcement of international and community rules concerning hygiene and sanitary, environmental, social, economic, fiscal,... and commercial matters.
- 2. Need for an strict mechanisms for vigilance and control.
- 3. Need for legal certainty, among all policies.
- 4. Sustainability of all tuna sector, in its environmental, economic, and social dimensions, along the whole food chain.
- 5. Corporate Responsibility Policy: to community the values of sustainability and environmental and social responsibility.
- 6. Commitment to R&D&I.



Conclusions: Keys for the future of the EU tuna industry

## In order to :

•Reach a competitive future for the EU tuna industry in global market.

•To maintain employment (currently 25.000 direct jobs) and economic wealth for the EU countries and regions.

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