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# **Export to Sweden seminar**

# **TODAY'S AGENDA**

- Who we are and how we work with trade promotion
- General information about the Swedish market
- Coffee break
- EU trade policy
  - EU as a common market
  - Classification, tariffs and Rules of Origin
  - Mandatory requirements
  - Organic certification
- Lunch break
- Sweden as a market for exporters in Lebanon
  - Food products and alcoholic beverages
- Questions and answers





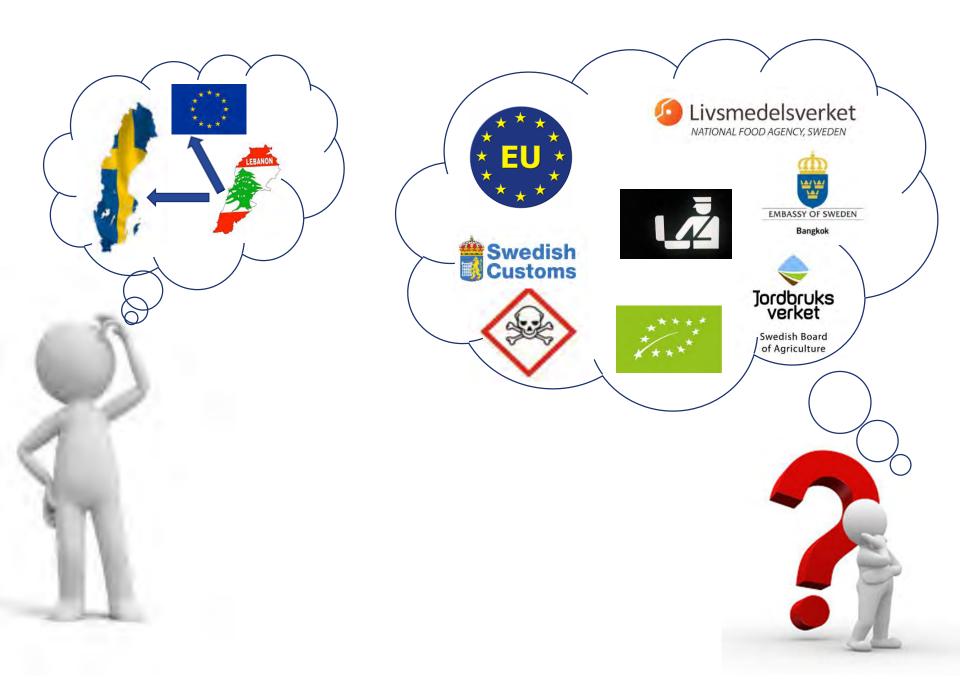
# The National Board of Trade (Kommerskollegium)

Swedish governmental agency dealing with foreign trade and trade policy

Agency under Ministry of Foreign Affairs

To promote free trade and transparent rules internationally

90+ members of staff





One-stop information centre with focus on trade rules and regulation

A service to exporters in developing countries

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# Why import promotion?



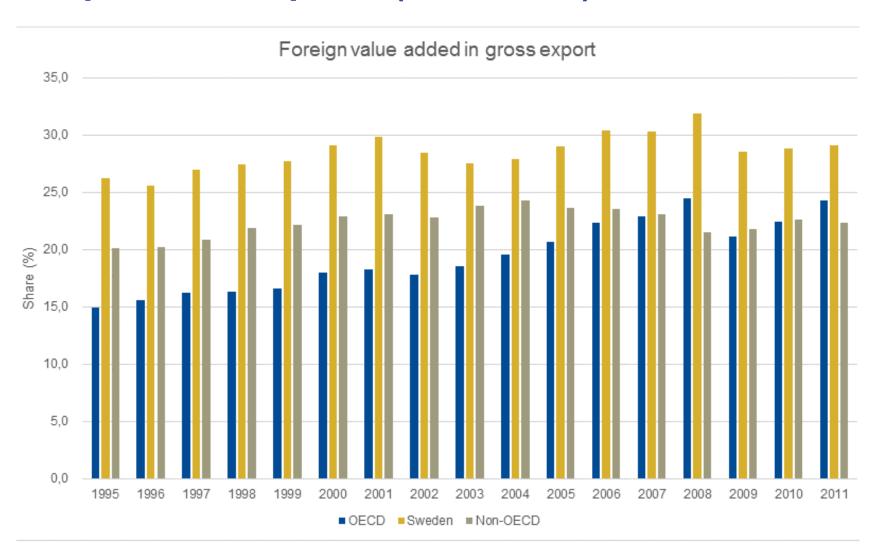
# To facilitate trade and increase exports from developing countries to Sweden



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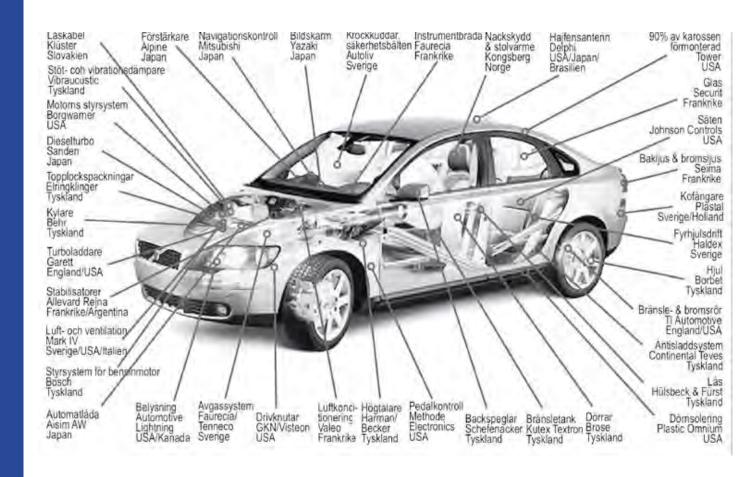
Significantly increase the exports of developing countries, in particular with a view to doubling the least developed countries' share of global exports by 2020

# Imports for exports (1995-2011)





# **Trade in the 21st century**



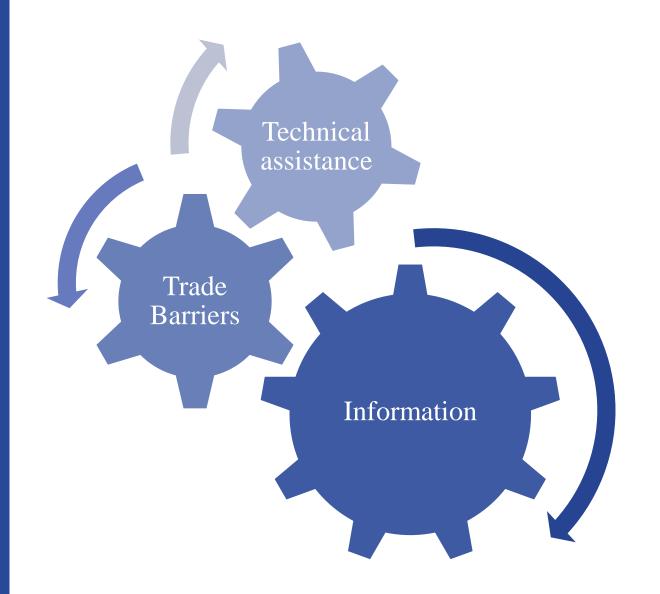




# How?



# **Our services**



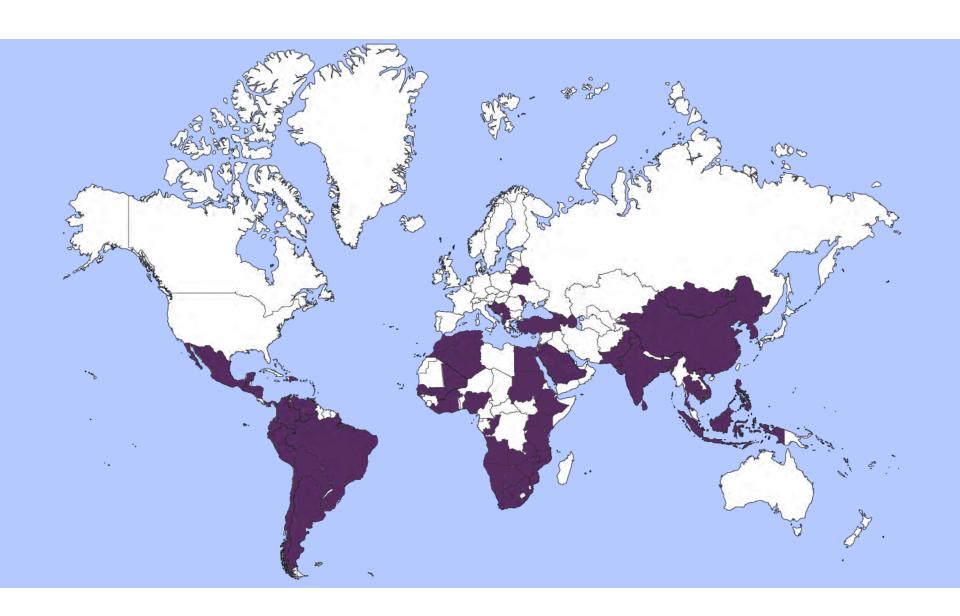






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# HOW?

# -Source of information in the EU



http://exporthelp.europa.eu/



### HOW?

- We gather information to answer your question



Board of Agriculture Licenses? Quotas?

National Food Administration Health Requirements? Labelling? Customs
Authority
Tariffs?
Customs
preferences?



# **OUR ANSWER**

Product code

General customs duty

Certificate of origin

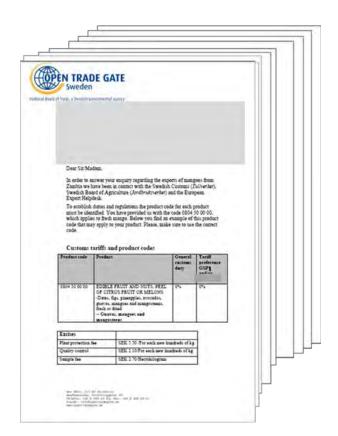
Quotas and import licences

VAT

General requirements for all imports to the EU

Product specific requirements EU/Sweden

Trade agreement, preferential tariffs





# Sweden – an EU market



# The European Union:

- 28 member states
- 500 million people
- Customs union
- Common trade policy

### Sweden:

- 10 million people growth through immigration
- Currency: Swedish krona
- GDP per capita: above EU average
- Imports from outside and inside the EU

# Living in Sweden -in numbers

90% of the people live in the south parts of the country

47% of the households are single households.

20% live in a metropolitan area.

Average family has around 1,88 children.

Children move out around the age of 21.



# **Business Culture**

- Open, transparent expect the same from you
- Discussions & details to gain best result
- Punctuality important: if you are late, communicate this
- Meetings usually get right down to business with little or no small talk
- Expect meetings to close at scheduled time
- Informal, polite, egalitarian
- More reading:

   http://www.kwintessential.co.uk/resources/guides/guide-to-sweden-etiquette-customs-culture-business/

# **Sweden & the Swedes**



Proud of Swedish traditions & modern

Balance work-life balance & "fika"

Nature & space



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- البيئة الطبيعية (4)
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  - المجتمع السويدي (7)
  - بيئة الأعمال التجارية (1)
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# **EU** trade policy

- EU as a common market
- Preferential trade agreement
- Classification, tariffs and Rules of Origin
- Mandatory requirements
- Organic certification

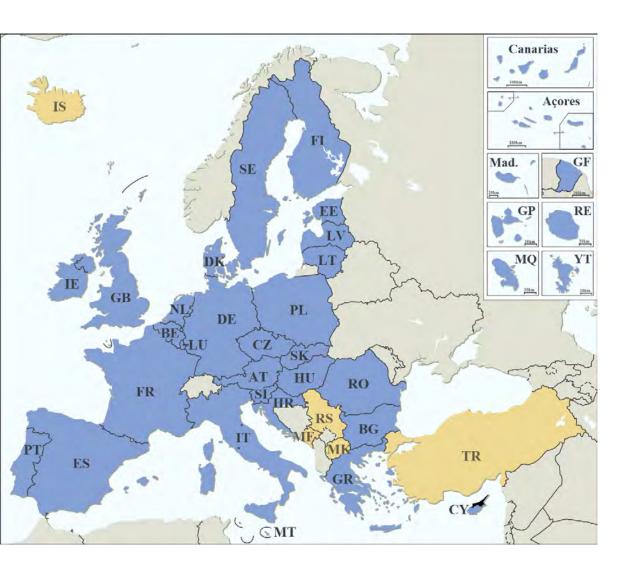








# Sweden in the EU – a union of 28 countries

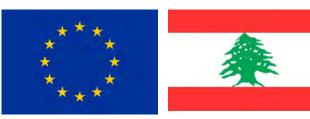




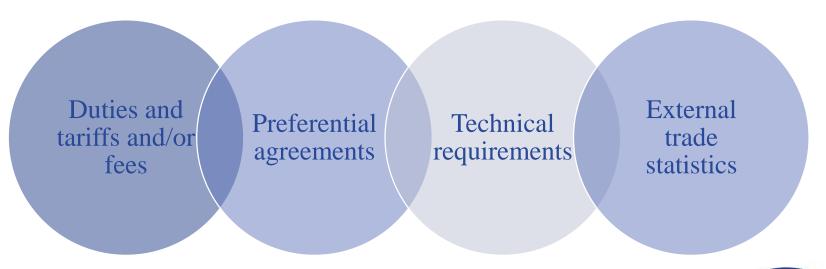


# **Association Agreement with the EU**

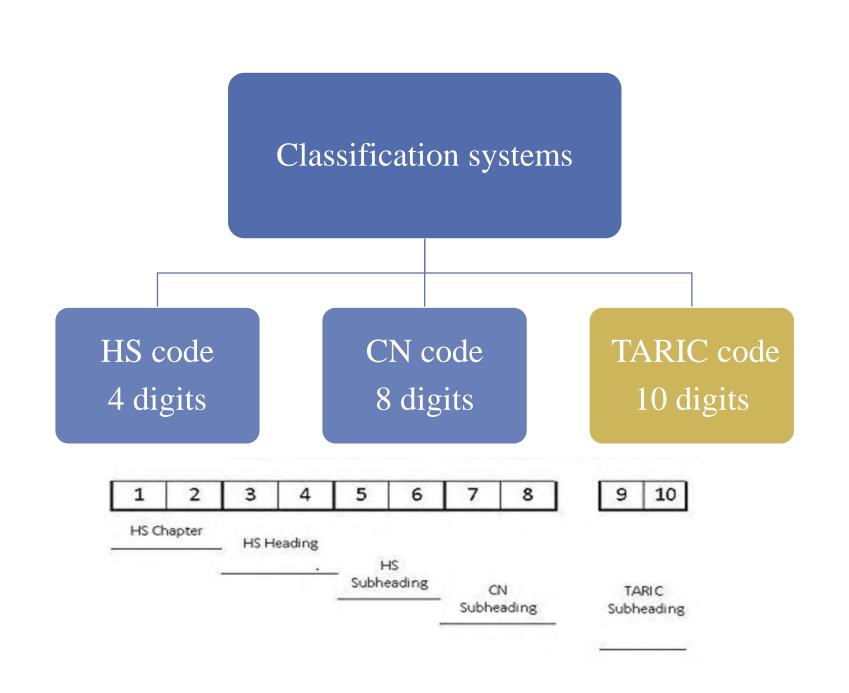
- As part of the <u>Euro-Mediterranean</u>
   <u>Partnership</u> (<u>Euromed</u>), Lebanon has an <u>Association Agreement</u> with the EU, which grants it:
- duty-free access to the EU market for manufactured goods
- preferential treatment for agricultural, processed agricultural and fisheries products.



# **PRODUCT CLASSIFICATION**







# THE SWEDISH CUSTOMS TULLTAXA

# - http://tulltaxan.tullverket.se



21 sections

99 chapters

# How to classify a product

# - example: Extra virgin olive oil

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# How to classify a product

# - example: Extra virgin olive oil

# **Section 3 - Chapter 15**

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	15		CHAPTER 15 - ANIMAL OR VEGETABLE FATS AND OILS AND THEIR CLEAVAGE PRODUCTS; PREPARED EDIBLE FATS; ANIMAL OR VEGETABLE WAXES					
	1501		Pig fat (including lard) and poultry fat, other than that of heading 0209 or 1503 TN701					
	1502		Fats of bovine animals, sheep or goats, other than those of heading 1503 TN701					
	1503		Lard stearin, lard oil, oleostearin, oleo-oil and tallow oil, not emulsified o mixed or otherwise prepared <u>TN701</u>					
	1504		Fats and oils and their fractions, of fish or marine mammals, whether or not refined, but not chemically modified <u>TN701</u>					
	1505		Wool grease and fatty substances derived therefrom (including lanolin)					
	1506 00 00 00	P	Other animal fats and oils and their fractions, whether or not refined, but not chemically modified $\overline{1N701}$					
	1507		Soya-bean oil and its fractions, whether or not refined, but not chemically modified TN084, TN701					
	1508		Groundnut oil and its fractions, whether or not refined, but not chemically modified TN701					
	1509	_ <	Olive oil and its fractions, whether or not refined, but not chemically modified TN701					
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	1509 10 80		Other					
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# **Rules of Origin**

# Rules of origin → Product-specific rules

- Agricultural products
  - is extracted from the ground, the sea or from animals
- Manufactured products
  - from material and labour in that country
- Assembeled from many countries
  - "last substantially changed"















# Extra virgin olive oil

# - in containers holding 5 litres or less

- Product code: 15 09 10 20 10
- Tariff all countries: 124.5 euro/100kg
- VAT: 12%
- Preferential tariff quota: 0%
- Quota order nr 091186
- Certificate of origin
  - Working or processing, carried out on nonoriginating materials, which confers originating status



 Manufacture in which all the vegetable materials used are wholly obtained

# Wholly obtained -is extracted from the ground, the sea or from animals



# **Certificates of Origin -EUR1**



### MOVEMENT CERTIFICATE

1.	Exporter (Name, full address, country)		EU	JR	.1 No	A 00	0.000
		See notes overleaf before completing this form.					
		2.	Certificate used in	n preferential trade between			
3.	Consignee (Name, full address, country) (Optional)					and	
			(Insert ap	propriate countries, groups of countries or territories)			
		4.	Country, group of territory in which considered as orig	the p	roducts are	5. Count territo	ry, group of countries or ry of destination
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### EUR1:

- Obtained from by the Lebanese customs authorities
- Remains valid for 4 months

<sup>(1)</sup> If goods are not packed, indicate number of articles or state 'in bulk' as appropriate.
(2) Complete only where the regulations of the exporting country or territory require.



# Certificate of origin - invoice declaration

- For consignments of products originating in Lebanon valued € 6000 or less
- be prepared to submit documents proving the originating status of your products.
- Type, stamp or print the following declaration (in the appropriate language) on the invoice, delivery note or other commercial document:
- " The exporter of the products covered by this document (customs authorisation No ... ) declares that, except where otherwise clearly indicated, these products are of ... preferential origin"

### **SUMMARY**

1. Classify your product



2. Check general tariff level

- 3. If more than 0%, look at the conditions for use of preferential tariffs:
  - Is there a preferential agreement?
  - Is the specific product covered by the agreement?
  - Does the production match the rules of origin?
  - Obtain the certificate of origin!



Even if tariff 0% the next step is to see the requirements

## You have to!

Mandatory regulations = set by governments

- Sanitary and phytosanitary restrictions
  - necessary to protect human, animal a
  - mostly harmonised in the EU
  - agricultural products











# IMPORT REQUIREMENTS FOR FOOD PRODUCTS OF NON-ANIMAL ORIGIN

- Control of contaminants in foodstuffs
- Control of pesticide residues in plant and animal products intended for human consumption
- Health control of foodstuffs of non-animal origin
- Traceability, compliance and responsibility in food and feed
- Labelling for foodstuffs



# REQUIREMENTS FOR FOOD PRODUCTS OF NON-ANIMAL ORIGIN

### Traceability, compliance and responsibility in food and feed

- "One step back-one step forward" principle, from the EU importer up to retail level.
- Although traceability provisions do not apply outside the EU, the EU importer must be able to identify from whom the product was exported.

### **Labelling for foodstuffs**

- Must be at least in Swedish
- Include (for example):
  - The <u>name</u> under which the product is sold
  - The <u>net weight</u> of pre-packaged products
  - The date of minimum <u>durability</u>
  - Any <u>special conditions</u> for keeping or use





# ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR OLIVE OIL

- Marketing standards for olive oil
  - Quality control
  - Quality parameters
  - Sensory analysis
  - Specific standards for packaging and labelling
  - Blends of olive oil
  - Designation of origin

Specific rules in addition to those laid down in the requirements for food products

## How to classify a product

### - example: watermelon

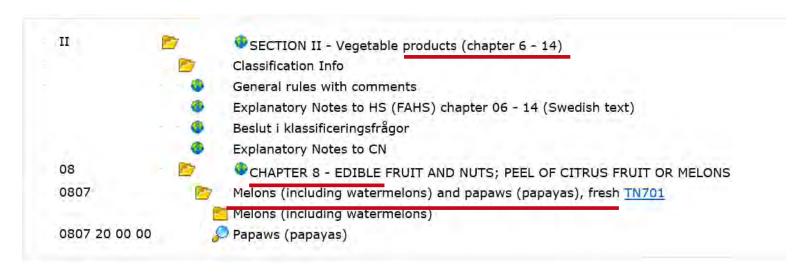
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## How to classify a product





<u>HEADING</u> – **Vegetable products** (chapter 6 - 14)



10 digits code /TARIC 08 07 00 00 00

### **WATER MELON**

- Product code: 0807 11 00 00
- Tariffs: all countries = 8,8%
- Preferential tariff Lebanon = 0%
- Certificate of origin
- VAT: 12%



# ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR FRESH PRODUCE

- Plant health control
  - to prevent the introduction and/or spread of pests
  - phytosanitary certificate
  - import ban
- Marketing standards for fresh fruit and vegetables
  - sound, fair and of marketable quality











## **PUMPKIN SEEDS**

- Product code: 1207 99 96 10
- Tariffs: all countries = 0%
- VAT: 12%
- No need of certificate of origin













# Wine section 4

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# Wine (Chapter 22) - 2204 to 2205

22	CHAPTER 22 - BEVERAGES, SPIRITS AND VINEGAR
2201	Waters, including natural or artificial mineral waters and aerated waters, not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter nor flavoured; ice and snow <u>TN701</u>
2202	Waters, including mineral waters and aerated waters, containing added sugar or other sweetening matter or flavoured, and other non-alcoholic beverages, not including fruit or vegetable juices of heading 2009 TN701
2203	Beer made from malt TN701
2204	Wine of fresh grapes, including fortified wines; grape must other than that of heading 2009 TN701
2205	Vermouth and other wine of fresh grapes flavoured with plants or aromatic

## Wine

## - in container holding 2 litres or less

2204	Wine of fresh grapes, including fortified wines; grape must other than that of heading 2009 <u>TN701</u>
2204 10	Sparkling wine
	Other wine; grape must with fermentation prevented or arrested by the addition of alcohol
2204 21	In containers holding 2 litres or less
2204 22	In containers holding more than 2 litres but not more than 10 litres
2204 29	Other
2204 30	Other grape must

# Other varietal wines 22 04 21 08 00

In containers holding 2 litres or less 2204 21 Wine, other than that referred to in subheading 2204 10, in bottles with 'mushroom' stoppers held in place by ties or fastenings; wine, otherwise put up, with an excess pressure due to carbon dioxide in solution of not less than 1 bar but less than 3 bar, measured at a temperature of 20 °C With a protected designation of origin (PDO) 2204 21 06 00 With a protected geographical indication (PGI) 2204 21 07 00 Other varietal wines 2204 21 08 00 Other 2204 21 09 00



# Mandatory requirements - Wine 22 04 21 08 00

- Control of contaminants in foodstuffs
- Health control of foodstuffs of nonanimal origin
- Traceability, compliance and responsibility in food and feed
- Certificate, V I 1 Document, and analysis report for wine, grape juice and must
- Presentation and labelling of wine and certain wine products

Third country duty 32,00 EUR/Hectolitre



# Alcoholic beverage taxes - the tax on wine

- The sale of wines is subject to alcoholic beverage taxes, based on the alcoholic content of the product.
- Due to the tax structure, wine and spirits prices are comparatively high in Sweden by international standards.

Percentages of alcohol by volume	SEK / L
Not exceeding 2.25% volume	0.0
Exceeding 2.25% volume but not exceeding 4.5% volume	8.84
Exceeding 4.5% volume but not exceeding 7% volume	13,06
Exceeding 7% volume but not exceeding 8.5% volume	17,97
Exceeding 8.5% volume but not exceeding 15% volume	25,17
Exceeding 15% volume but not exceeding 18% volume	52,68





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#### Sweden: New sales record for the organic market

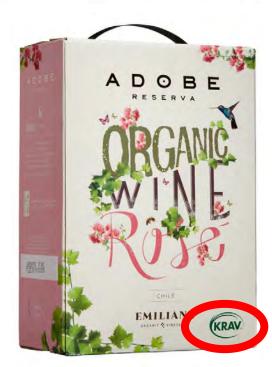


14.03.2017 by Karin Heinze (comments: 0)

#### Source: Ecoweb Sweden

Organic food sales increased by 3.9 billion Swedish Krona (SEK) (€390m) to 25.4 billion SEK (€2.54 billion) in 2016. Organic food sales rose from 7.7 percent to 8.7 percent of the total food market, and online sales stand out with organic food sales now 25 percent of the market. The organic market has been growing for 20 consecutive years and is expected to double within the next 10-year period.











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## What is organic?

- If a product is marketed as "organic", it must meet the minimum requirements in EU Regulation 834/2007
- Organic products from non-EU countries can be distributed on the EU market only if produced and inspected under conditions that are identical or equivalent to those applying to EU organic producers.
- Further reading:
  - https://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/organic/eupolicy/eu-rules-on-trade\_en
  - Summary of legislation: <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=LEGISSUM:f860">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=LEGISSUM:f860</a> 00&from=EN&isLegissum=true



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### The different certificates



EU organic label

Swedish KRAV





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### The different certificates cont.

- EU producers must use the EU organic logo
- However, this is not a binding requirement for organic foods from non-EU countries.
- Swedish KRAV known by 98%
- EU Organic label known by >50%

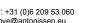








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## **Approved organizations**

- Approved organizations can carry out EU-organic controls in countries outside the EU
- Imports of organic products can only take place if these recognised authorities or bodies have controlled them.
- See: <u>http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/ofis\_public/pdf/CBListAnnexIV.pdf</u>
  - -> search "Lebanon"
  - -> 4 approved organizations

# Approved organizations for EU organic control

- A CERT European Organization for Certification S.A, Greece, <a href="http://www.a-cert.org/">http://www.a-cert.org/</a>
- Bio.inspecta AG, Switzerland, http://www.bio-inspecta.ch
- CCPB Srl, Italy, <a href="http://www.ccpb.it">http://www.ccpb.it</a>
- Istituto Certificazione Etica e Ambientale, Italy, <a href="http://icea.bio/">http://icea.bio/</a>
- More info:

https://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/organic/eu-policy/eu-rules-on-trade/non-eu-trading-partners en



#### AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

#### Organic Farming

European Commission > Agriculture and Rural Development > Organic Farming

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#### DOWNLOAD LOGO & PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL

- The EU organic logo & guidelines
- Download photos
- Download videos
- Download infographics
- More promotional material

# WHAT IS ORGANIC FARMING?

- Producing organic
- International trade in organics
- Organic certification
- Studies
- · Frequently asked questions

#### **EU POLICY**

- Legislation
- · Policy development
- EU rules on production
- EU rules on trade
- European Action Plan
- Data and statistics
- Expert advice
- Food quality policy

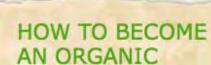
#### **EU FUNDING**

- CAP and rural development
- EU funding and the new CAP

#### I TRUST ORGANIC BECAUSE...

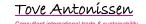


- The organic logo guarantees...
- Producers are controlled once a year
- Environment matters









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## KRAV or EU organic label?

- KRAV better known, but EU increasing
- Will depend on your importer
- Differences? Yes, KRAV goes further, extra requirements specified in chapter 16, e.g. for:
  - greenhouse products
  - wild harvest
  - mushroom cultivation

 More reading: <u>http://www.krav.se/certification-bodies-do-krav-certification-outside-sweden</u>



### **OTGS**

Sweden as a market for Lebanese products

13.00-14.30



### Aim of this session:

### After this session you will

- have a clear picture of Sweden as a market
- have an indictation of where and how your products fit (or don't!)
- know how to continue your export preparations



# A brief note on "export preparations"

You know your product!

Can you offer what he is looking for?

- Price
- Volume
- Quality
- Certification

...a reason to add your product or switch suppliers!

The buyer knows his assortment & consumer demand



### **Content:**

- Swedish imports of food products
- Consumer behaviour and market characteristics
- Trends
- Distribution channels
- The Swedish alcohol policy and procurement system
- Discussion Q&A
  - What does this mean for me?
  - How do my products fit?
  - Where can I find out more?



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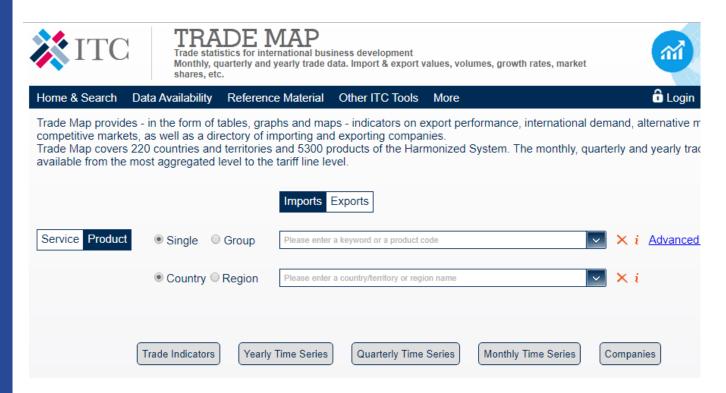
# Swedish imports of food products: a general picture

- Sweden imports SEK 100,000 million (USD 12,500 million) food per year.
- Mainly products which
  - aren't produced at all in Sweden (e.g. nuts, coffee, tea, citrus fruit, cocoa, wine)
  - are seasonal (fresh fruit & vegetables)
- Origins:
  - 70% European Union (some with origins outside the EU);
  - some origins are product-specific, e.g. Latin-America coffee and bananas; Kenya coffee
- Exports from Lebanon are increasing; total USD 19,000 in 2016, mainly food & drinks



## Source: www.trademap.org

- ITC (International Trade Centre) offers trade statistics in Trade Map
- Information video: https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLBD125D3A2EB0D420





## **Using Trade Map: an example**



Init: US Dollar thousand

#### TRADE MAP

Trade statistics for international business development Monthly, quarterly and yearly trade data. Import & export values, volumes, growth rates, market shares, etc.



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#### Bilateral trade between Sweden and Lebanon Product: TOTAL All products





## Source: http://exporthelp.europa.eu

 EU Export Helpdesk: information on how to export to the European Union

User Guide | Glossary | FAQ | Legal notice | Contact | Privacy Statement | English (en)





#### **TRADE**

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Food







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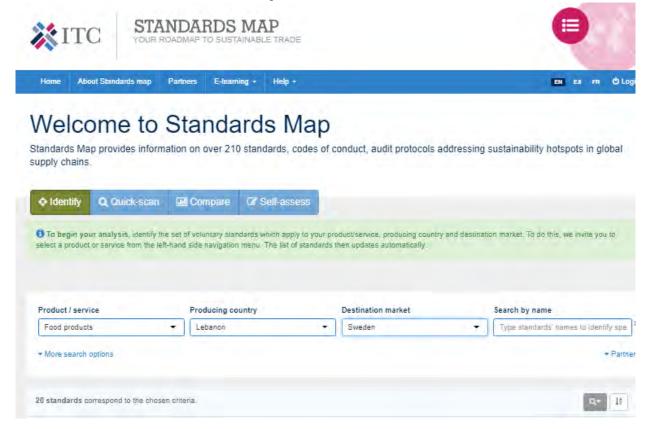






## Source: www.standardsmap.org

 ITC's Standards Map covers 210+ standards: compare & self-assess





## Source: <u>www.cbi.eu</u> /market-information

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### Consumer behaviour and market characteristics



- 90% canned, frozen and highly processed
- Immigration has opened up markets for foodstuffs from new origins, incl. the Middle East
- Retail market dominated by four large players (>90% market share):
  - ICA >50% market share
  - COOP >20%
  - Axfood 16%
  - Bergendahls Food 7%







# Trends in the Swedish food market

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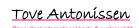
- Exotic foods
- Organic
- Gluten-free food and lactose free
- Sport, energy, health
- Ready-to-eat
- Spicy food & snacks
- Packaging crucial





### Remember:

- What does this mean for me?
- How do my products fit?
- Where can I find out more?



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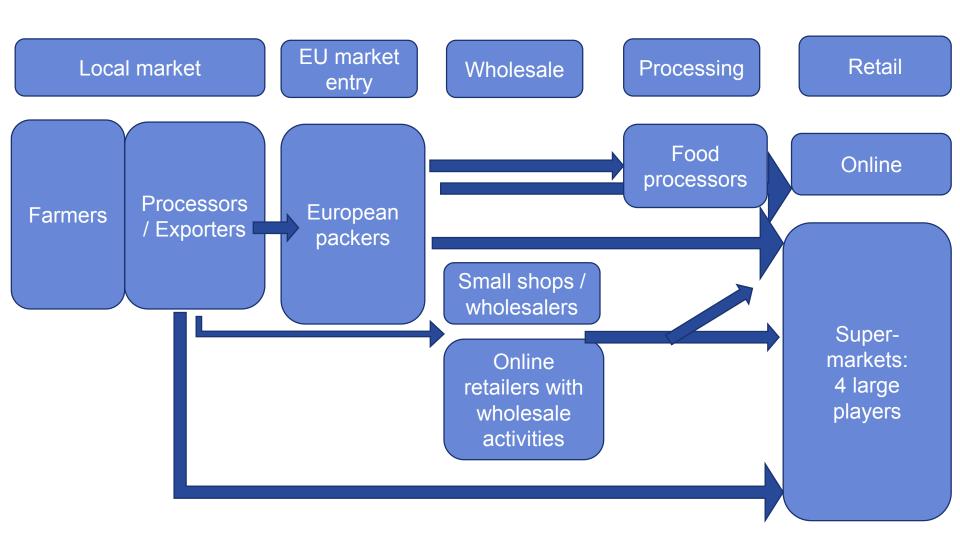
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### **Distribution channels**





## Selection of largest importers:

# **Convenience Store Wholesalers**

- Axfood Närlivs (Axel Johnson)
- Menigo (Brakes Group)
- Privab

### **Foodservice Wholesalers**

- Martin & Servera (Axel Johnson)
- Menigo (Brakes Group)
- Svensk Cater (Euro Cater)

# Retail Groups with integrated retailing and wholesaling activities

- ICA Gruppen
- Coop Group
- Axfood (Axel Johnson)
- Bergendahls Food

# Fresh Fruit & Vegetables Wholesalers

- Saba Trading (Dole)
- Everfresh (Total/Fyffes)
- ICA Frukt & Grönt (ICA)
- Ewerman

# **Bakery Ingredients Wholesalers**

- KåKå (Orkla Group)
- Kobia



## Where can you find buyers?

- Trade fairs:
  - SIAL Paris
  - Biofach (organic)
  - Wine: <u>Prowein</u>, <u>Vinexpo</u>, <u>World Bulk Wine</u> **Exhibition**
  - → Search exhibitors, e.g. Prowein and look for Sweden:

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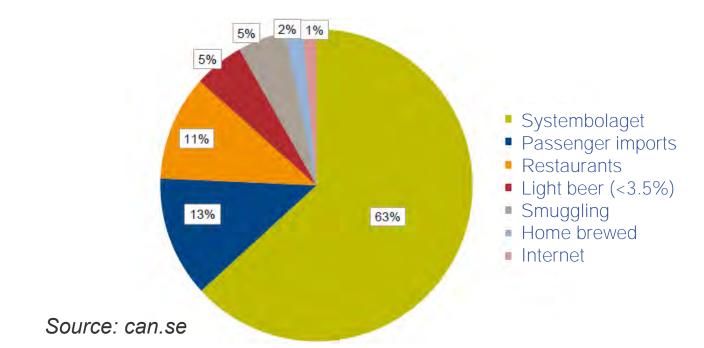
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# Systembolaget & the Swedish market for alcoholic bevarages

- State retail monopoly: Systembolaget
- Its share in total alcohol consumption is 63%; restaurants account for 11%







# Systembolaget's purchasing process



https://www.youtube.com/watch?time\_continue=2&v=Bhxmzrx5K9c



### Some trends & characteristics

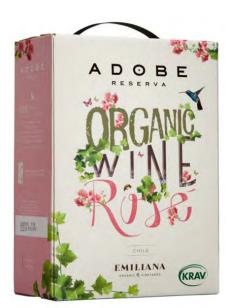
- Bag-in-box relatively large share
- Open for new origins
  - Currently 8 red wines; 2 white wines and 1 beer from Lebanon
- High excise duty
- Restricted marketing

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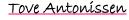


### Source: www.systembolaget.se

Launch plans: https://www.systembolaget.se/english/

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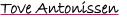
 Suppliers of existing wines/beers: https://www.systembolaget.se/dryck/roda-viner/cavekouroum-1250101



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## **Example launch plan:**

Origin	Description	Purpose
	Sauvignon blanc, max 375ml, max	
New Zealand	1 119 SEK	Add breadth to this segment.
Portugal	Madeira, medium dry, max 375ml	Add depth to this segment.
	Baltic porter	Add breadth to this segment.
Sweden	Max 7%, 500ml	Add breadth to this segment.
	Milk stout	Add breadth to this segment.
Thailand,		
Japan		Add breadth to this segment.
	Can	Add depth to this segment.
Germany	Kellerbier/Landbier	Add depth to this segment.
UK		Add depth to this segment.
Nordic		
region		Add depth to this segment.
Belgium		Add depth to this segment.
	Gluten-free	Increase our offering of gluten-free beer.
	Organic	Increase our offering of organic products.
Sweden	Craft	Offer knowledge and inspiration.
	Apple, glass or PET bottle 275-	
Europe	330ml, max 4,5%, max 19:90 SEK	Add depth to this segment.

- What does this mean for me?
- How do my products fit?



## More reading:

 Chamber Trade Market Report FOOD, June 2016 <a href="http://chambertradesweden.se/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/Market-Report-FOOD-June-2016.pdf">http://chambertradesweden.se/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/Market-Report-FOOD-June-2016.pdf</a>

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### Greentech



To face the challenges presented by climate change and economic growth green technological solutions are key to sustainable development and to develop a sustainable internationally competitive business. Sweden is a foregrupper innovating, implementing and

### Agribusiness



Agricultural products includes horticultural products, food, beverages and additives for the food industry, from raw material/cultivated to refined products.

### Lifestyle





Lifestyle refers to a group of products containing interior decorating, furniture, clothes, shoes and jewellery that is linked to the consumer lifestyle.



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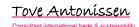
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- International Trade Centre





### **Discussion Q&A**

- Where do you fit in? With which trends?
- What do you think you need to work on?
- Do you know your competitors and how they perform?
- What will be your next steps in your research and/or export preparations?









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