



EU-Japan FTA/EPA and Regulatory Cooperation

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Preliminary Statement

Japan is the EU's seventh largest trading partner.

The EU ranks as Japan's third largest trading partner.

An EU-Japan FTA/EPA will:

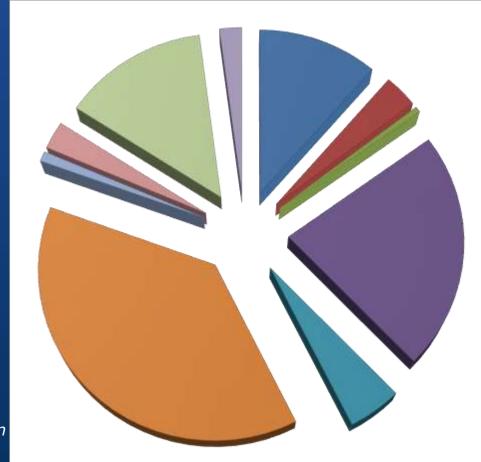
- boost trade and investment;
- create jobs and accelerate growth in both economies;
- help create new opportunities for global economic growth.

Need for a level playing field between an FTA/EPA and TPP.





EU Export to Japan in 2014 Total value: 53,272 M €



Agricultural products (Food (incl. Fish) & Raw Materials)

Fuels and mining products

Iron and steel

Chemicals

Other semi-manufactures

Machinery and transport equipment

Textiles

Clothing

Other manufactures

Other products

Source: EU Commission

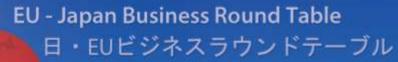




EU Agri-Food Trade with Japan Trade indicators (M €) Year: 2015

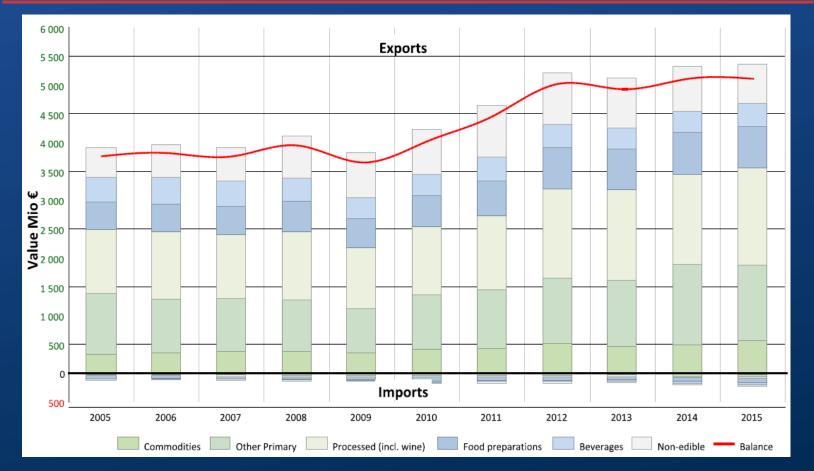
		Export	Import
EU World Trade	Total value	1,789,063	1,774,867
	Agri-food value	129,188	113,260
EU-Japan Trade	Total value	56,572	59,726
	Agri-food value	5,364	238
	(%) share total EU-Japan trade	9.5	0.4
	(%) share total EU trade	4.1	0.2

Source: EU Commission





EU Agri-Food Trade with Japan Development: 2005-2015



Source: EU Commission

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EU Agri-Food Trade with Japan Structure (product category)

Top EU agri-food exports to Japan in 2015

For the last 5 years, pork has been the first product that the EU exported to Japan, in value (18% of the EU agri-food export to Japan).

This product is followed by:

- □ wine (14%)
- □ cheese (5%)
- □ spirits (a bit less than 4.6%)
- vegetables and fruits (around 4%)

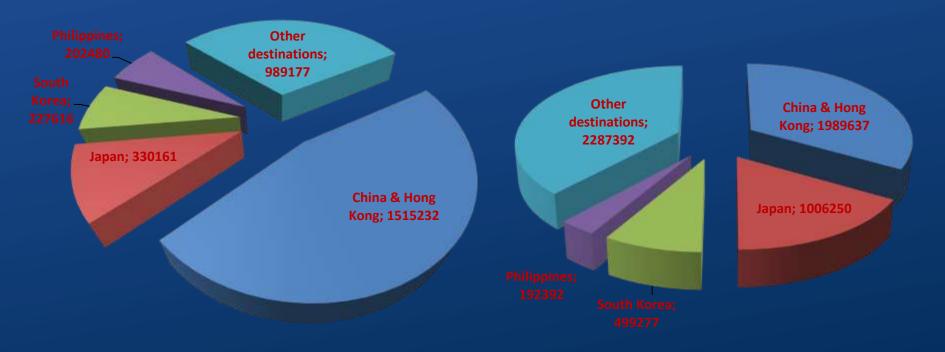
The remaining 48% represents mainly olive oil, chocolate, pasta, fruit juice and meat preparations.

Source: EU Commission





EU pork export



Total (tonnes carc. weight): 3264666

Total (1000 EUR): 5974948

Source: EU Commission





Conclusion: EU/Japan FTA

The window of opportunity is very small and closing after 2016.

An EU-Japan FTA/EPA will boost trade and investment.

It will create jobs and accelerate growth - in both economies.

We need a level playing field between the FTA/EPA and TPP.

The TPP agreement highlights the need for the agreement on an EU-Japan FTA to be concluded by the end of 2016.