

IMPLEMENTATION OF CEFTA – FREE MOVEMENT AND BARRIERS ON TRADE OF AGRICULTURAL GOODS



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Intro

Agri-business chamber-formed in June 2005

Tasks:

- ✓ Advocacy, alignment and protection of common interests of our members
- ✓ Contribution in improving of individual results of working of companies members in the chambers,
- ✓ Ensures technical assistance and other business services,
- ✓ Participation in formation of economic system and measures of economic politic,
- ✓ Participation in process of positive restructuring of the economy,
- ✓ Encouraging and developing of entrepreneurial initiatives in the Macedonian agri-business sector,
- ✓ Promotion and networking of the Macedonian agri-business sector with business sectors from abroad,
- ✓ Stimulate research and innovation in agri-business sector,
- ✓ Timely distribution of useful information to their members,
- ✓ Technical assistance and analysis of specific business projects , programs and initiatives and etc.

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Benefits and impacts of CEFTA

Trade surplus of Republic of Macedonia?

CEFTA*	Stock exchange	Import	Export	Trade surplus	% of export as part of stock exchange
(Jan-Sept) 2009	\$ 1.149.951.000	\$ 423.517.000	\$ 726.434.000	\$ 302.917.000	63,17%
(Jan-Sept) 2010	\$ 1.176.595.000	\$ 440.113.000	\$ 736.482.000	\$ 296.369.000	62,59%
Difference 2010/2009	\$ 26.644.000	\$ 16.596.000	\$ 10.048.000	\$ -6.548.000	-0,58%
Serbia 2010	\$ 477.206.000	\$ 290.626.000	\$ 186.581.000	\$ -104.045.000	39,10%

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Benefits and impacts of CEFTA

- Perception of their qualities and capacities
- Creating a common market strategy
- Ban on export subsidies
- Bilateral agreements



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Problem within CEFTA

- Insufficient availability of information on export/import within CEFTA
- Additional costs for export
- Problems on customs terminals
- Specific requirements and problem in part of labeling and packing
- History and traceability of the product in terms of origin and processing process
- „Smart“ support of exports of certain products which apply certain companies-members of CEFTA

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Conclusions

- Urgent provide conditions for easier access to information for business sector ,for necessary documentation and conditions for trade whit CEFTA members states
- Simplify the process of providing documentation necessary for trade within CEFTA
- Unification of all the necessary analysis of the products traded within CEFTA
- Require an agreement on harmonization of working hours of customs offices in all countries of CEFTA