

**ENLARGEMENT – BILATERAL MEETINGS
WINE**

**Non-exhaustive list of issues and questions to facilitate preparations for
bilateral meetings**

COUNTRY:.....

In case of positive answers please describe your system and where appropriate give name and address of the competent authorities/bodies.

A. Technicalities of wine-making

1. Which are the most important grape varieties (both *vitis vinifera* and hybrid varieties, indication of ratio between the two)?
2. Do grape varieties need administrative authorisation before planting?
3. Is grape growing limited to certain areas?
4. Which are the permitted oenological practices and treatments for wine?
5. Are these practises covered by a legal act?
6. Which are the official analytical methods for wine?
7. Which are the recognised laboratories?

B. Classification of wines

1. What are the current quality standards for wines?
2. What are the wine categories in your country?
3. Is there a specific legislation for wines of higher quality or wines produced in a specified region?
4. Is there an obligatory system for labelling, packaging and presentation of wines?
5. How is the WTO TRIPS agreement as regards protection of geographical indications implemented? (specific legislation or integrated in the wine or trade mark legislation, ex officio principle, which bodies to monitor and enforce the protection?)

C. Markets

1. Which are the most important distribution channels for wine?
2. How is the trade organised?
3. Is there any form of state trading monopoly for wine?
4. Are there any specific taxes on wine?
5. Is there a price reporting system for wine?

D. Trade with third countries:

1. Which are the export and import procedures (specific certificates of origin, sanitary certificates, analytical bulletins, licensing system etc.)?
2. Which are the import duties for wines?
3. Is there financial support for exports?
4. Are there wine agreements with other countries?
5. Are there trade preferences?

E. Domestic support

1. Are any subsidies offered to wine producers, such as income support, preferential loans, aids for equipment, buildings, infrastructure, support for structural improvements etc.?
2. Are there indirect subsidies such as guaranteed minimum price levels?
3. Are there any partly or wholly publicly financed mechanisms to support prices in place, such as private or public storage or distillation operations?

F. Administrative and control arrangements

1. Which are the Institutions dealing with policy on wine?
2. Which data on the wine sector are collected?
3. How are areas under vine identified?
4. Does vine growing need authorisation?
4. Is there a system to follow changes in vineyard areas and density of vines?
5. Is there a system to survey the individual producers' harvests and production?
6. Is there a system to follow the movement of wine from producers to consumers?
7. How is the application of the wine legislation controlled?

ANNEX

<p style="text-align: center;">Statistical Information All quantitative information should cover the years 1998 to 2004</p>

1. Economic importance of the sector:

- 1.1. share in GDP
- 1.2. number of people employed in the sector
- 1.3. share in total employment

2. Elements of balance sheet

- 2.1. Production of wine (broken down into the categories of red wine, white wine and of quality wine and table wine, if these categories are applied)
- 2.2. Production of grape must
- 2.3. Wine stocks (private and public)
- 2.4. Imports
- 2.5. Exports
- 2.6. Human consumption (total and per capita)
- 2.7. Industrial uses (vinegar, grape juice etc):

3. External trade

- 3.1. Imports (see above), broken down by main origins
- 3.2. Exports (see above), broken down by main destinations

4. Wine potential

- 4.1. Area under vine, (broken down by area for quality wine and area for table wine if these categories are applied)
- 4.2. Area under vine in production (same break down)
- 4.3. Area under vine for commercial production
- 4.4. Average yield per hectare (national and per wine region)

5. Wine holdings

- 5.1. Number of holdings
- 5.2. Size classes of holdings