

## HOP SECTOR 1998-2005

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

#### 1. Production and marketing figures

Please provide information by variety on the following issues for the period 1998-2005:

variety:

- area (ha):
- production (tonnes):
- yield (kg/ha):
- alpha production (tonnes):
- the use and number of forward contracts:
- the volume of unsold hops (in tonnes):
- average contract prices in local currency (and indicating EUR exchange rate on 1.1.2006):
- average prices on the free market (spot market) in local currency (and indicating EUR exchange rate on 1.1.2006):

#### 2. Is there a system of declaration and registration of areas? If so, please describe.

#### 3. Is there a certification procedure for hops and how does it work?

#### 4. Are the producers organised in producers groups? If yes, what is the precise function of these groups?

#### 5. If there is an aid system in place, how are controls on the implementation of this system organised?

#### 6. Trade with third countries

Please provide figures for both export and import and countries concerned (in tonnes and in value) for the following products during the period 1998-2005:

- Hop cones, fresh or dried (NC 1210 10)
- Hop powders and pellets (NC 1210 20)
- Hop extracts (NC 1302 13)

Are there quality requirements for products imported from third countries? If so, which ones?

#### 7. Local breweries

Are there any breweries producing domestically, and if so, please describe the following:

- name:
- type of beer produced:
- quantity:
- varieties used:
- hopping rate:
- beer consumption:
- future trend: