

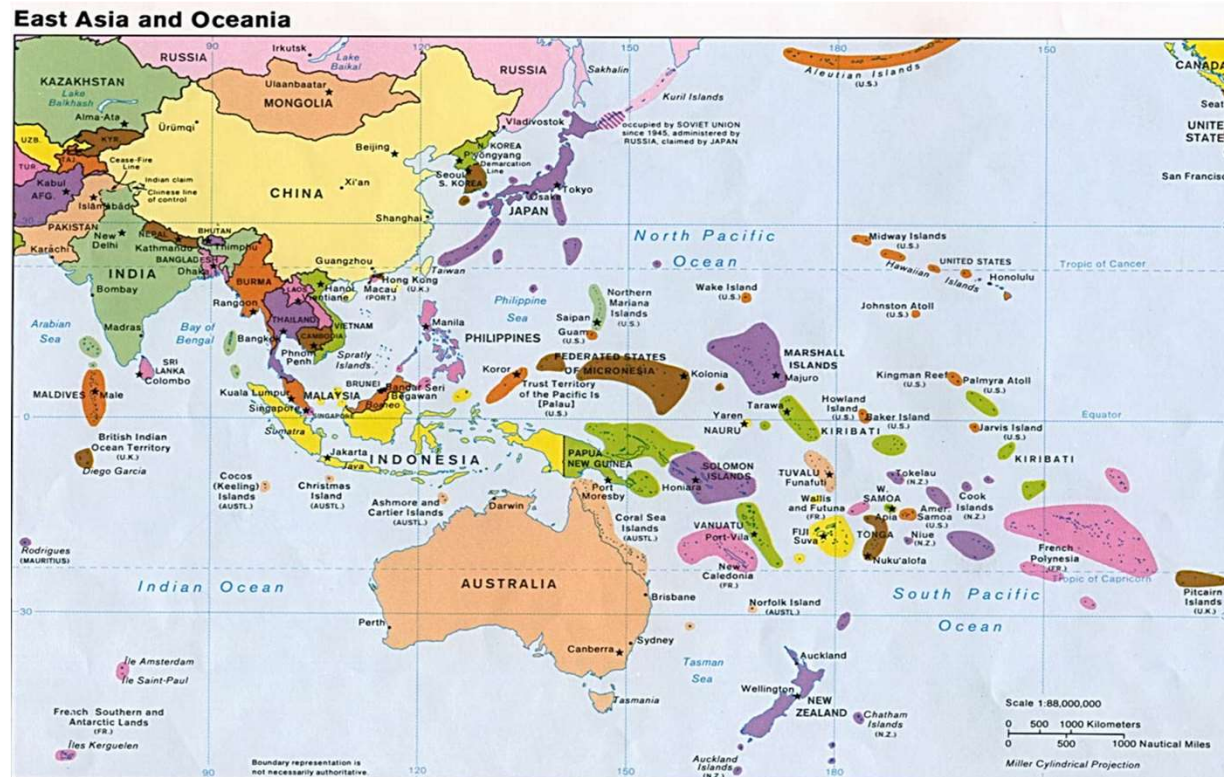
# Asia and Australasia

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# The region



## Key facts

- *Demography...over 50% of the world's population (over 4 billion, including 4 of the 5 most populous countries : India, China, Indonesia and Pakistan)*
- *Economy...Over 30% of the world's economy*
- *Dynamism...economic growth esp. in India, Thailand, Indonesia*
- *Potential for EU agri food exports...*
- *EU agri food exports to the region : € 50 Bio in 2022, inc 17 Bio via FTAs*



# Ongoing negotiations

# Australia

- *15 formal rounds → end game stage in 2023*
- *2 Ministerial meetings in July (Brussels) and October (Osaka), not possible to close discussions; current uncertainty on the timeframe to conclude negotiations*
- *AUS main offensive interests: agriculture including beef, sheep meat and sugar*
- *EU main offensive interests: GIs, SPS, elements of market access, better access to industrial goods, to energy and raw materials, TSD, etc.*





# India

- *FTA: 9th round in September 2024 in New Delhi  
1st market offer for goods exchanged in August 2023*
- *GIs: 6th round in March 2024 online*
- *Other negotiations*
  - *India/EFTA: concluded in March 2024*
  - *India/UK: negotiations ongoing*



# Indonesia

- *Exchange of 3<sup>rd</sup> market access offers at the end June 2024*
- *19th (and last) round in July in Indonesia (Bogor)*
- *Intensive negotiations during summer and still on-going*
- *Many issues that still need to be resolved (AMA, critical raw materials, investments, import and export restrictions, halal regulation...)*
- *Chapter on geographical indications is closed*



# Thailand

- *Third round of negotiations took place in Brussels in June 2024*
- *Round 4 is scheduled end of November in Bangkok*
- *Last rounds delivered on the key objective to work on text consolidation in all chapters*
- *First exchange of offers would in principle take place in the first half of 2025*





# Malaysia, Philippines

- *FTA negotiations launched in 2010 with Malaysia and put on hold in 2012 at the request of Malaysia. Scoping exercise in 2023-2024.*
- *and 2015 (Philippines)*
- *Scoping exercise in 2022-2024.*
- *Philippines: resumption of negotiations announced on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2024*
- *1<sup>st</sup> Round mid-October 2024*

# Recently concluded



# New Zealand

- *Entered into force on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2024*
- *[EUR-Lex - 22024A00229 - EN - EUR-Lex \(europa.eu\)](#)*
- *Smooth implementation in good cooperation with NZ*
- *Works ongoing to set the administrative structure of the FTA: i.e. Committees*



# Completed negotiations / implementation



# Japan

- *EPA into force on 1 February 2019. Japan is the fifth largest destination for our agrifood exports.*
- *In 2023, EU agri-food exports to Japan continued to largely exceed Japanese agri-food imports, €7.9 billion to €0.5 billion.*
- *Additional GIs added over 3-year period. Total: 291 EU GIs protected in Japan and 131 Japanese GIs protected in the EU*
- *Yearly Agricultural Committee meeting*



# Vietnam

- *Conclusion of negotiations in 2015 → EVFTA into force on 1 August 2020*
- *Increasing and flourishing EU-Vietnam agri-food trade relations, but with faster growth of VTN exports to the EU (almost € 2 billion deficit in 2023)*
- *Main EU agri-food exports: meat, dairy, wines and spirits, inputs for agri-food industry*
- *Main Vietnamese exports: coffee, pepper, cashews, rice, tropical fruit and spices*





# Singapore

- *EUSFTA entered into force on 21 November 2019*
- *First Trade Committee meeting on 7 December 2021 and second took place in July 2024*
- *Currently 165 GIs protected in domestic register in Singapore*
- *Trade Committee Decision is in preparation to include the last registered EU names (25) in the FTA Annex 10-B*
- *Good cooperation on SPS*



# CHINA

- *Brandy – Pork –Dairy cases*
- *HLM : 21-26 April 2024*
- *Wkg group on alcoholic beverages*
- *Extension of GI list*



***Thank you !***

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