



Agricultural trade relations with African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States

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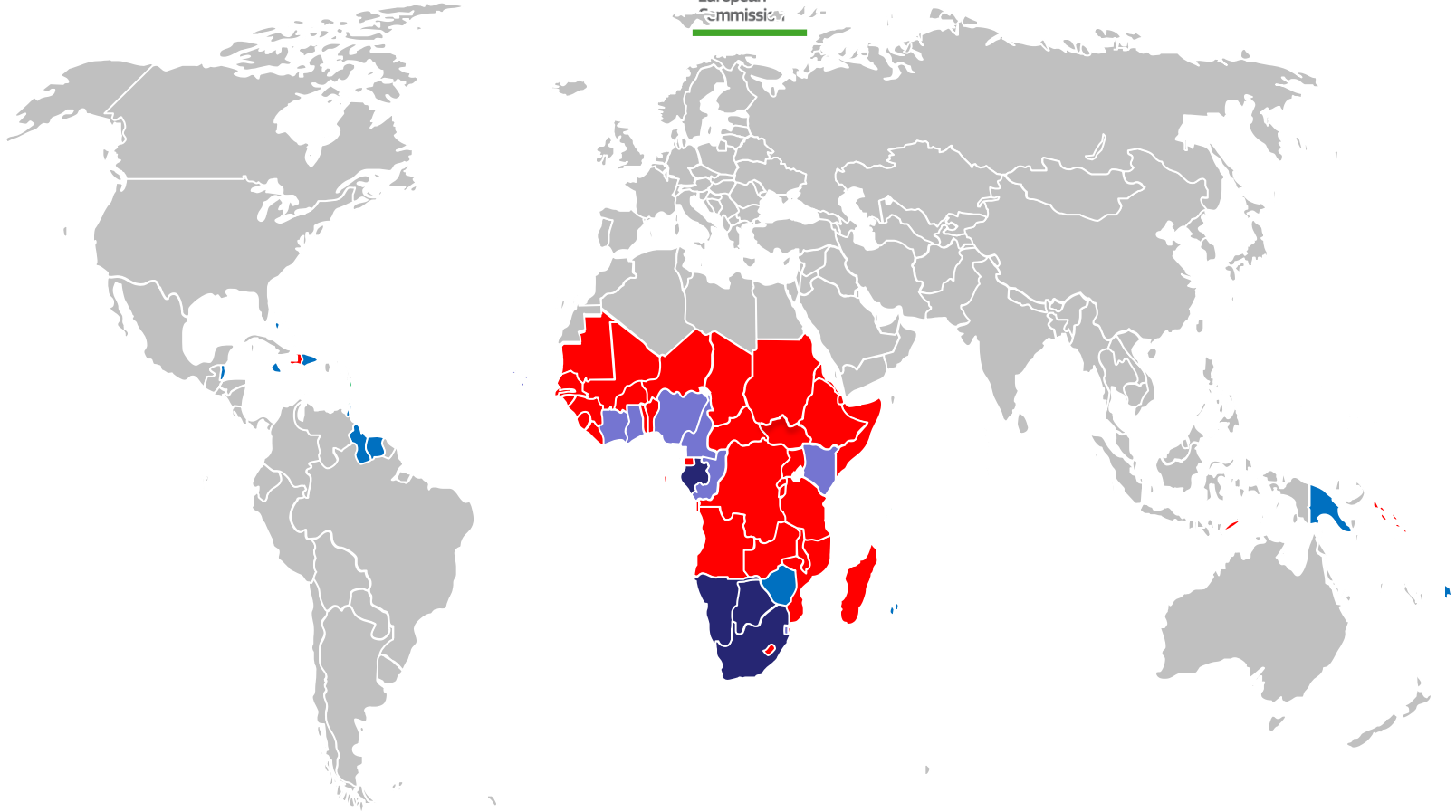
ACP – EU relations

1. Recap

2. Lessons from CARIFORUM EPA

3. Africa

4. ACP future



African Caribbean and Pacific Group of States

Trade: Import regimes

- *Least developed countries*
 - **UN General Assembly list**
"Everything But Arms"
- *Middle income: World Bank Atlas*
 - **Lower middle income: USD 1045–4125 GNI pc**
"Generalised System of Preferences"
 - **Upper middle income: USD 4125–12 746 GNI pc**
"Most Favoured Nation"

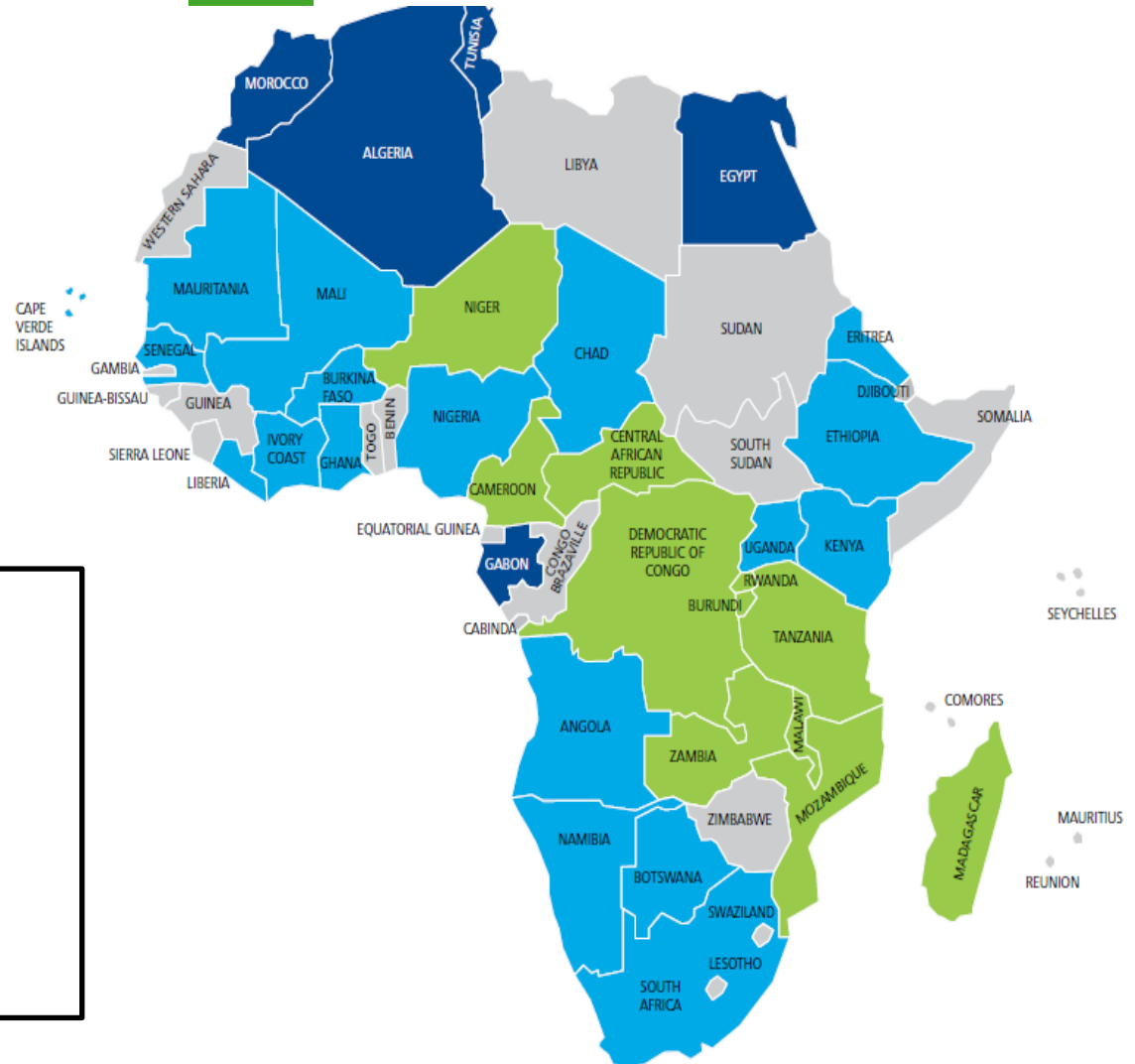
“Middle class”

spending between
USD 2 and 20 per day
– African Development Bank

Dark blue: over 75%

Light blue: 20-50%

Green: fewer than 20%



The rise of the middle class

2010



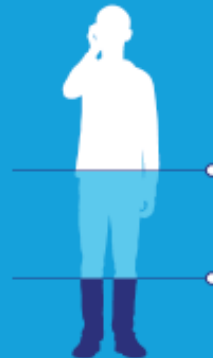
In 2010 the population of Africa was 1bn.

355m were considered middle class.

2060



By 2060, the population will more than double to 2.6bn with 1.1bn expected to be middle class.



2030

321m Africans will be aged between 15-24

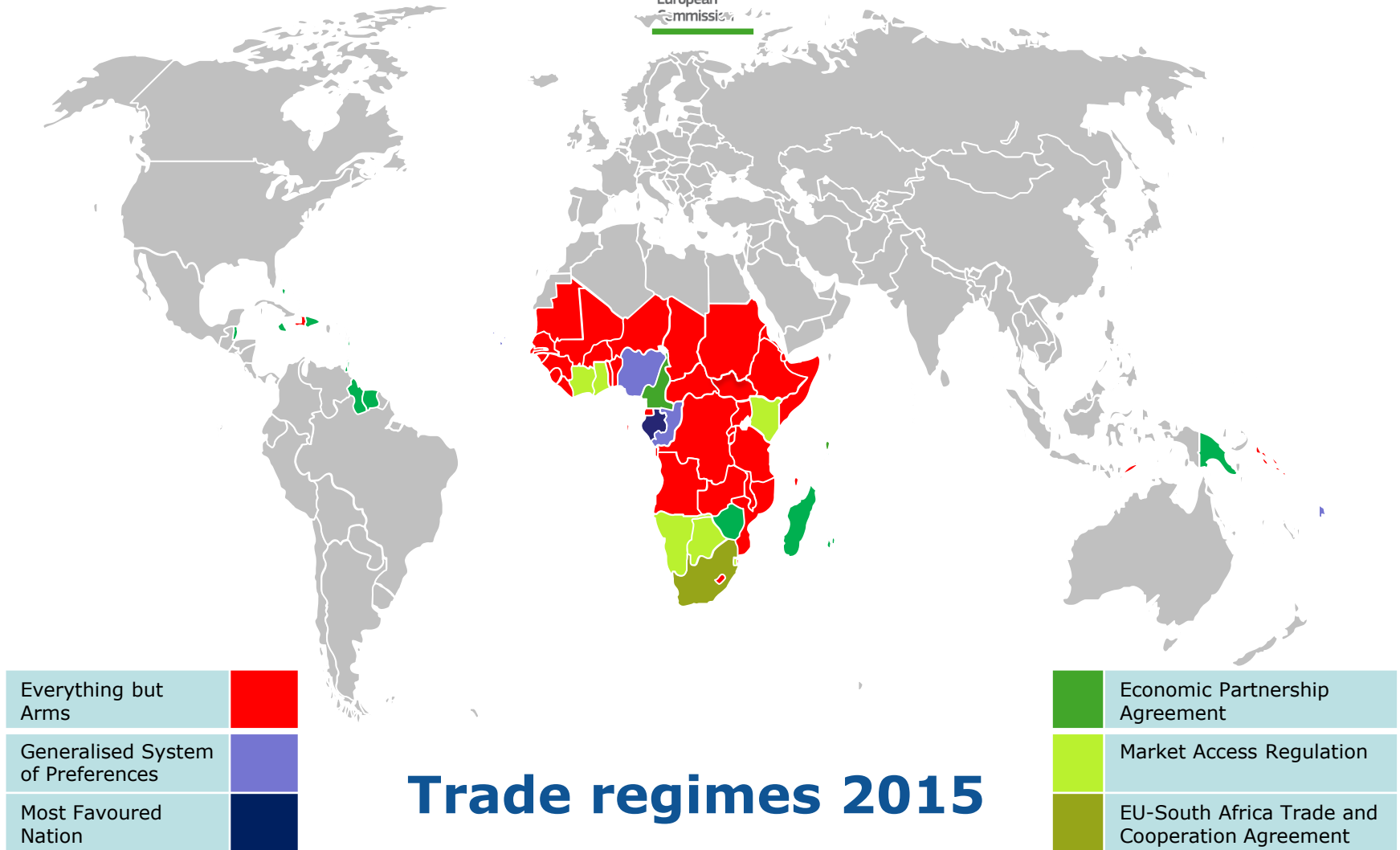
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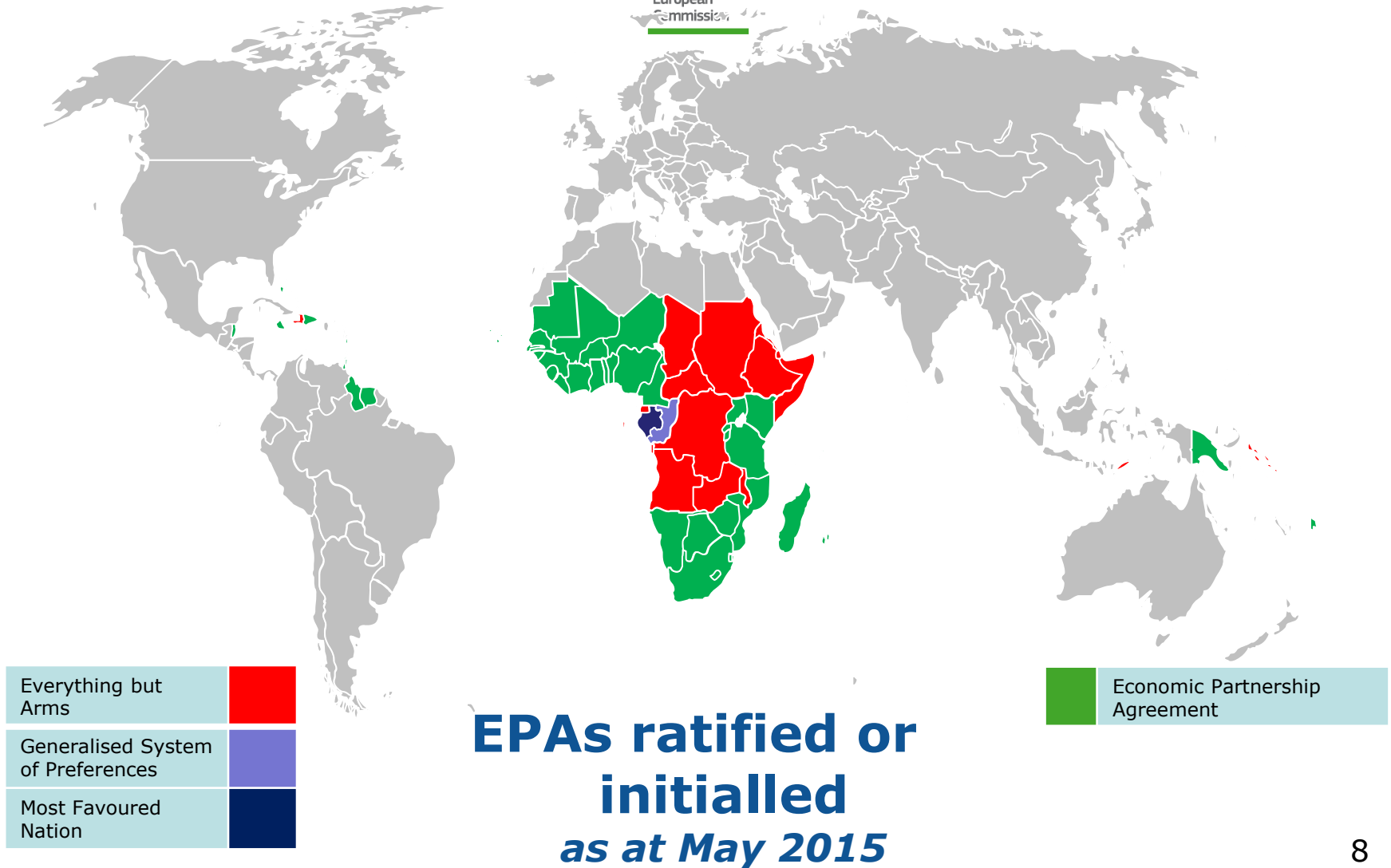
205m Africans are aged between 15-24

Young Africans will form a large share of the rising middle class and will seek access to a wider choice of food, entertainment and connectivity.

Deloitte 21st century review – data 2014

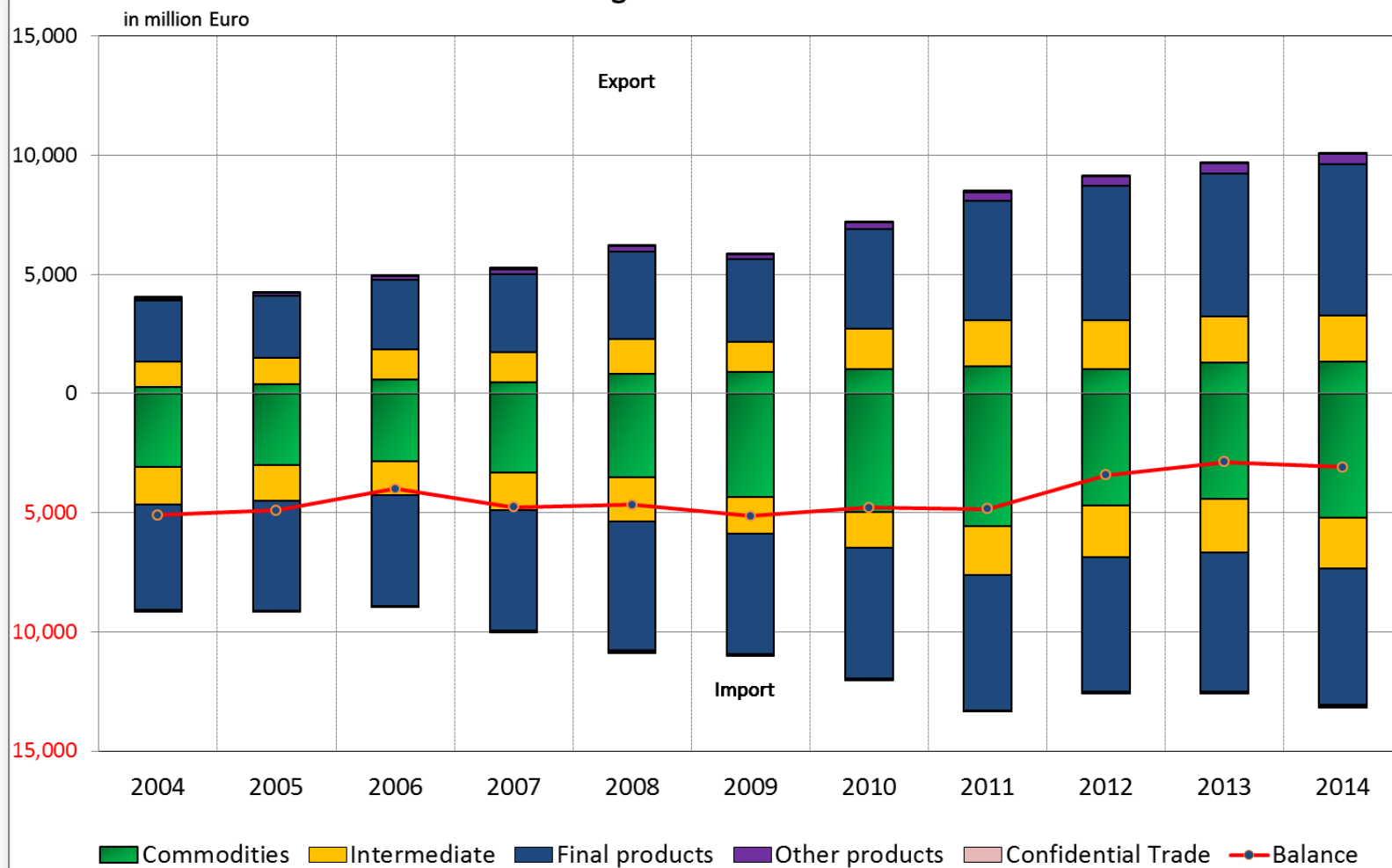
- *Consistent growth 5%-6% p.a. for a decade*
- *6/10 fastest growing economies*
- *Projections of 1 billion middle class by 2060*
- *Trade policy: no offensive interests; help growth – to build markets of the future*





EU28: Structure of agricultural trade 2004-2014 with ACP

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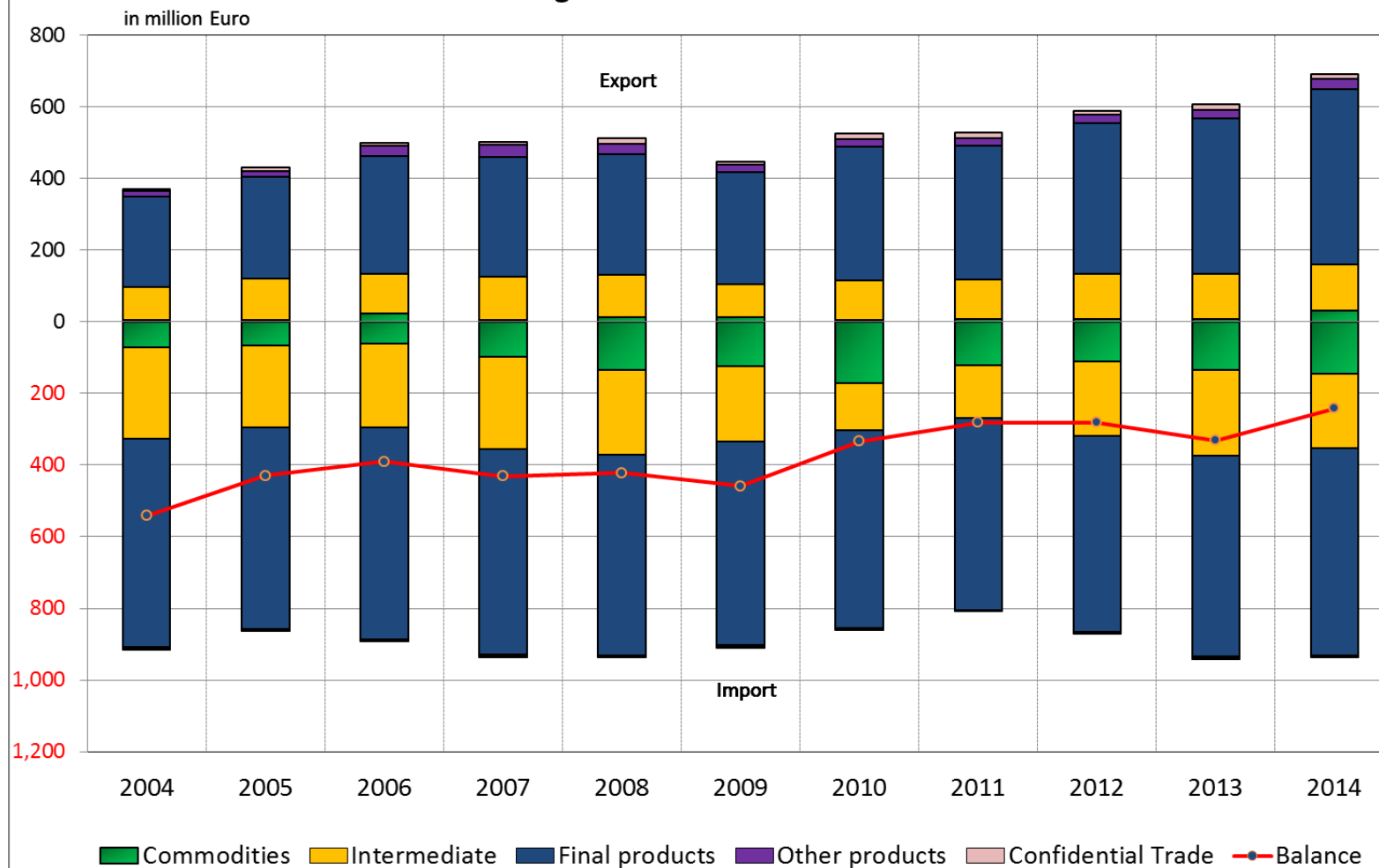
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CARIFORUM

- *Full EPA ratified in 2008*
- *Agricultural trade mainly sugar, bananas and rum*
- *Sugar adjustment*
- *Mid term review 2014*
- *Geographical indications*
- *Propose creation of agricultural policy group*
- *Private sector mobilisation*



African EPA groups



AFRICAN EPAs

- *West Africa EPA is process of being signed.*
- *EAC and SADC EPA are in stage of legal scrubbing.*
- *Lengthy processes post-Lisbon*
- *Policy cooperation: domestic support, value adding and trade.*
- *Need to encourage private investment.*

AFRICAN UNION COMMISSION

Meeting 22 April 2015 of the 2 commissions

Agriculture leading place:

- *AU Malabo Declaration*
- *Trade*
- *Value adding*
- *Private investment*
- *African framework for GIs*
- *Organic policy cooperation and training*
- *Research and innovation, to lead to framework for projects on food security and sustainability*

Perspective ACP-EU relation 2020

- *Expiry of Cotonou Treaty in 2020*
- *Obligation to commence negotiations*
- *Current reflections within ACP and within the EU*
- *Building to public consultation process at end of 2015*
- *Aiming for Communication to Council and Parliament in 2016*



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http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/developing-countries/index_en.htm