

Introduction to the EU-China safe project – Wine related tasks

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The EU CHINA Safe Project

- EU-China-Safe is a large scale (€11m) **Horizon 2020 – and MOST funded project**
- **16 EU** (11 countries) and **17 China partners** from across academia, industry and governments.
- **4 years duration** (September 2017 - August 2021)



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The EU CHINA Safe Project

Collaborate & exchange knowledge to:

- Achieve mutual recognition (data & standards)
- Restore consumer trust
- **Enhancing food safety and authenticity**



Support agri-food trade between the two trading blocks to promote economic growth



Key products

**Dairy infant
formula**



**Organic fruits &
vegetables**

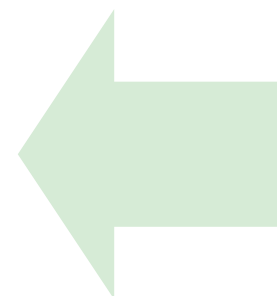


Wine

**Processed
meats**



Spices



Wine related tasks

● Authenticity analysis

- Established analytical methods and standards: important for trade
 - Innovative methods: new developments and risks
- Increased authenticity testing: get to know the (genuine) product



● Traceability

- Safety issue in case of incident
 - Tight chain control can prevent food fraud
- Which (analytical) authenticity parameters are relevant for traceability?

● Wine fraud vulnerability assessment

- Management tool to decrease risk



EU-China wine chain

- Wine in Europe: >150 mhl per year, >40% exported
- Chinese production, consumption and import peaked around 2017
- pre-COVID 19 crisis: 6-7 mhl import
- Wine is shipped bottled or as bulk wine
- Hong Kong is important hub
- On-trade sales: in China even more important than in Europe
- Online-sales much more relevant in China, especially for imports



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Mapping the local-global wine chain from Europe to China

Towards shared standards and benchmarks in wine traceability and authenticity

Silje Elde, Patrick Beng Sævi, Marianne Svendsen, Thomas Myrnes, Celine Boechat, Cheryl Cordeiro & Petter Olsen



<https://nofima.no/en/publication/>



EU-China wine chain

Risks regarding authenticity

- Brand driven consumers, foreign languages:
Counterfeiting or mislabeling
- **Adulteration** of wine is technically easy, esp. before bottling: Enhancements, dilution, substitution/blending
- From European producer to Chinese consumer - fragmented wine business with multi-level sales routes: **Traceability issues**



EU-China wine chain



Traceability from an analytical viewpoint

- Analytical results are part of wine characteristics
 - Parameters confirming authenticity
 - To be checked at several stages of trade
 - Stable over time/wine aging
 - e.g. stable isotopes, bottle weight
 - Comparable to similar, authentic wines
 - e.g. EU wine databank for stable isotope data
- Non-targeted approaches



Wine analysis- Knowledge transfer

- Sharing of established methods
 - Sharing experiences with non-targeted approaches
- Following presentations



Methods on the website

- Authenticity of key products
- Safety issues: Dioxins,

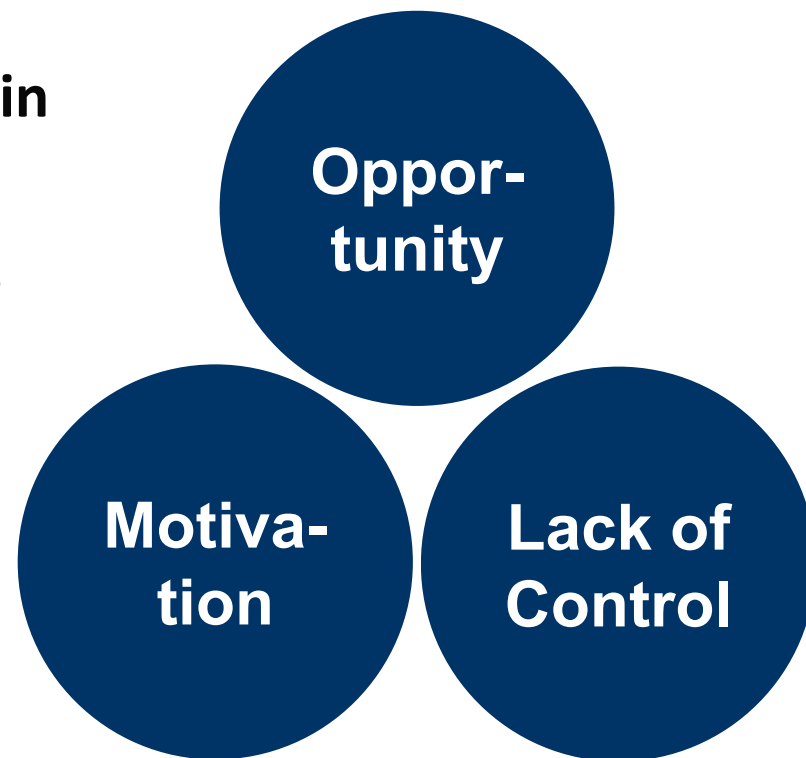


Corona virus detection on food ...



Wine fraud vulnerability assessment

- For companies in the wine chain
- Systematically covers the three factors of vulnerability to fraud
- Based on SSAFE tool, but simplified & adapted to the wine chain
- Two versions: **Quick assessment** and **comprehensive self assessment**



Ruth, S., et al. (2017). "Food fraud vulnerability and its key factors." [Trends in Food Science & Technology](#) **67**: 70-75.



Quick assessment: Vulnerability score

- *Your input is required to assess wine fraud!*
- Science based easy access online survey, takes only a few minutes
- Determines a vulnerability score for the EU-Asian wine chain
- 11 statements related to wine fraud
- Find out how other participants'

On average, businesses in the supply chain of European wines to Asian consumers are economically healthy. *

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Strongly disagree



Strongly agree

results (in average) compare to your score (completely anonymous)

- <https://forms.gle/qt4Zg3S4W7nKepXa9>, feel free to try out and share!



Wine fraud vulnerability self assessment

Benefits for companies in the wine chain

- Specifies weak points
 - Provides a documented assessment procedure
 - Basis for mitigation plans
 - Science based tool, available in Chinese and English
 - Data is anonymous, will be evaluated scientifically
 - <https://forms.gle/mi38QGgZTGaL26VH7> (English version)
- or <https://wj.qq.com/s2/7676208/c8bf/> (Chinese Version)

feel free to try out and share!

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