



Promotion of Sustainable Economic Development Programme in the Kyrgyz Republic

Work on Food Safety within GIZ Programme





Kyrgyz high quality beef



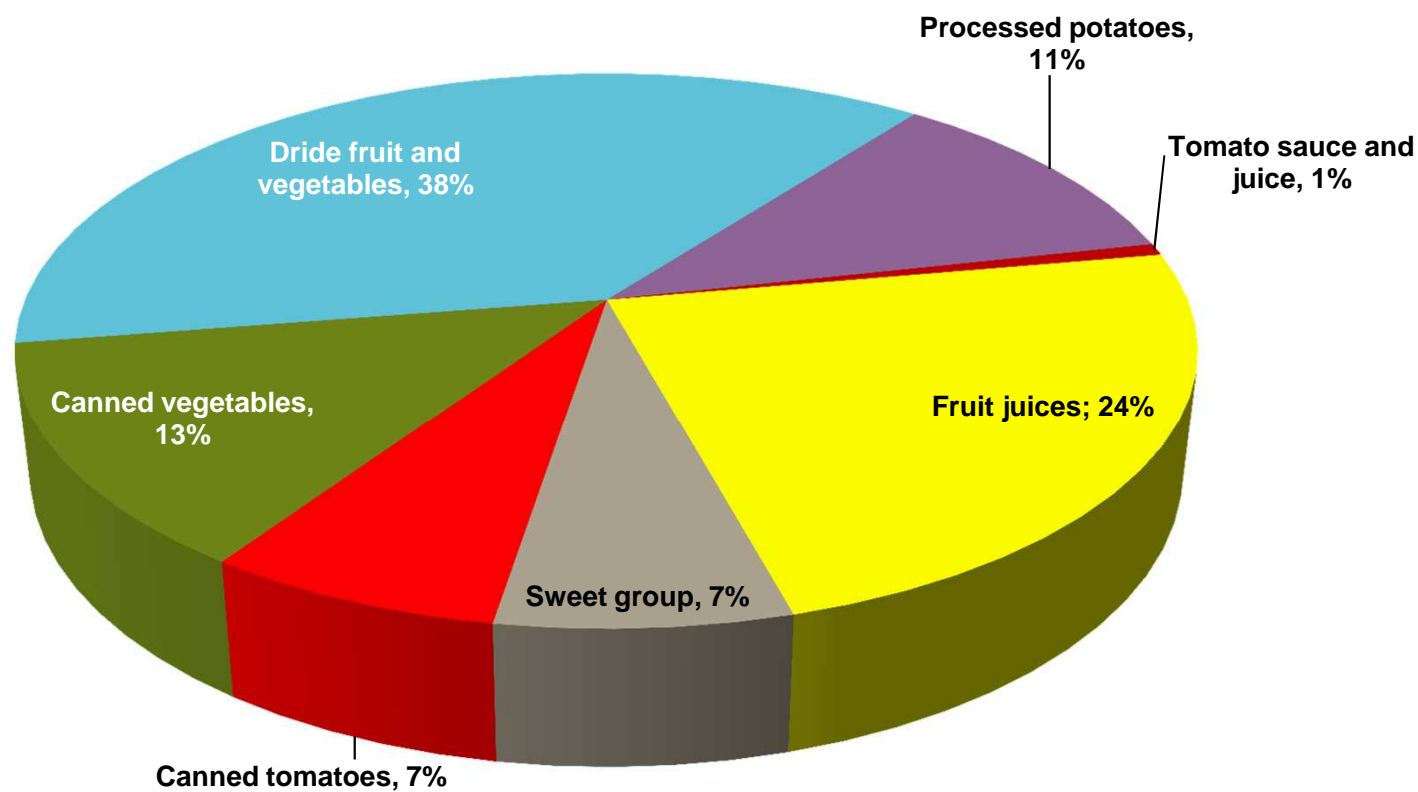
Some facts about Kyrgyzstan

- Total area - 199,951 sq km
- Population - 5,587,443
- 65 % population live in rural area
- 20% of Kyrgyzstan GDP accounts for agricultural sector
- 22% of Kyrgyz Export accounted for export of fruits and vegetables
- Main export partners: Russia, Kazakhstan, China





Structure of export broken down by product types,





Component 2 “Strengthening of Value chains”

At present 9 Value Chains:

- Textile since 2008
- Medicinal Plants since 2008
- Beef since 2009
- Mineral water since 2010
- Organic agriculture since 2011
- Fruits & berries since 2011
- Sugar beet since 2012
- Walnut since 2013
- Agrotourism since 2014



Fruits & Berries Value Chain

- Work with 613 farmers in 2011-2013:
 - Raspberry and Strawberry Value Chain development;
 - Apricot Value Chain development
- Support so far in :
 - introduction of HACCP system at 2 fruit processing companies;
 - capacitation of local consultants on HACCP system
 - developing of manual for private enterprises and supporting the selected pilot companies



Organic Value Chain

- Establishing of bio-cooperative producing organic apricots
- Establishing of bio-cooperative producing organic Medicinal plants, apples and berries
- Working on promotion of organic production on the national level (awareness raising WSH in the regions, National Organic Forum, development of Kyrgyz Organic National Action Plan)
- Starting work on organic processing with local processing company “Osko”
- Searching for partners in Europe for organic products



Situation with walnut forestry

- 41000 ha of forest in the southern part of Jalalabad region
- 50% of trees are walnut trees
- Local families can obtain long term lease contracts from the government for sections of forest
- In the project area there are over 5.000 families collect walnuts, involving an estimated total of 25.000 people
- There are about 3000 crackers in the project area
- Walnut yield – 800 to 3000 tons per year



Walnut Value Chain



Walnut Value Chain

- Project partners: Intersnack, Vega Plus LLC, ICCO Cooperation, GIZ, FairMatch Support
- Financing: 52% - private finding, 48% - public funding
- Working with 200 collectors in 2013 and in 2014 and 600 – in 2015
- Fair trade certification of collectors cooperative and HACCP certification of local processor





Export promotion of selected companies to EU market in partnership with IPD

- Access to German (and European) Market for 5 selected producers of **natural ingredients**
- **Support by IPD:** in preparing for export to Germany and in trade fair participation



- Kyrgyz **dried fruits and walnuts** has a big potential for exporting to Germany
- Consultations on **international quality international standards** for Kyrgyz companies
- **Searching for partners** from Europe for the Kyrgyz companies

Obstacles on processing level:

- Lack of the high-quality and low cost raw materials
- Small production volumes
- Noncompliance to HACCP and ISO 22 000
- Lack of trust and stable relationships with agricultural producers
- Lack of working capital and high interest rates
- Outdated equipment and lack of new equipment
- High competition on the international market

Obstacles on farmers level:

- Lack of trust and stable relations between producers and processors
- Lack of the reliable market information, lack of the necessity production forecasting
- Low volume of quality products
- Lack of quality seeds and means of crop protection
- Lack of knowledge on crop production

Obstacles in Food safety:

- National Quality Institutions are not accredited
- Laboratories are not enough equipped
- Services on implementation of ISO 22 000 and HACCP are not available for enterprises
- National Controlling and Inspection bodies are not qualified on ISO 22 000 and HACCP system
- No control and traceability within value chain

Achievements so far:

- Food safety issues have been included in the Export Strategy of the Kyrgyz Republic for 2015-2017
- 5 companies have been supported by Programme for entering to the European markets: fairs, trainings, searching for buyers
- Local consultants have been trained to HACCP system and ISO 22 000 standard and able to provide services
- Walnuts processing company “Vega Plus” has been certified as FAIRTRADE
- Assistance in implementation of HACCP system at 2 fruits processing companies

Thank you!

