

# **Food Export to Russia : Recent Experiences**

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#### **Emsland Group – The Group**

Turnover: ca. 550,000,000 €

Employees: ca. 1,000

Number of plants : 7

Number of contract farmers: 2,014

Exportrate: 85%

Markets: more than 120 countries world wide





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# History of the Hagenow plant

- Company was founded in 1969/1970
- This factory was the only factory for French fries in the former GDR
- 1975 starting flake production
- Management buy-out 1991
- Investment of more than 45 Mio € in equipment
- 2007 starting collaboration with Emsland (EG became a stake holder)
- 2013 became a member of the Emsland Group

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#### Strategy and Business Areas of the Mecklenburger Kartoffelveredlung GmbH



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# **Quality-Philosophy**



Our goal is to offer highquality natural products for a good balance of performance and price.

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## **Russian market**



- Distribution: mainly northern and eastern regions of Russia, in regional food store chains in Moscow and Kaliningrad
- Prices for similar products of main local competitors are about 18% lower
- Local producers offer goods in assortment with various additives and spices.
- Significant share of the market is mash potatoes in one portion cups

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### **Russian market**



- In Russia are about twenty co-packer and
- some producer, the largest competitors are Rollton, Maggi, Knorr, Kartoshechka
- Our goal: we try to restore our position in the market!
- The doubts of customers in quality/safety and the high price of dry mashed potato do not contribute to increase this segment of market on a background of the low cost of raw potato in Russia.

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#### **Products dedicated for Export to the Russian Federation**



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#### **Development of turnover from 2011 until 2015**



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#### **General requirements for the Export to the Russian Federation**

Declaration of the consumer unit has to be in Russian

Producer and import-company have to be printed on the consumer unit

Declaration guaranty has to be available (GMO free)

Payment in € (payment in advance and payment terms are workable )

Most of the payment risks can be covered by an insurance



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#### **Requirements of documents for the Export to the Russian Federation**

CMR (Convention relative au contrat de transport international de marchandises par route)

Delivery note/ packing list / invoice

Different confirmation and certification have to be available ( GMO-Free )

Export customs entry





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#### Our wishes to the political decision maker for the future

Harmonisation of labeling and declaration in the EU and the RF

Harmonisation of customs procedure (acceptance of customs codes)

Harmonisation for the phytosanitary certification

Reduction of the exchange rate risk

Simplification of money transfer

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#### **MONEY: IS PRINTED FREEDOM.**

(Fjodor Michailowitsch Dostojewski 11.11.1821 – 09.02.1881)

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