

NEW TRADE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CHILE AND THE EUROPEAN UNION HAS ENTERED INTO FULL FORCE AND EFFECT

On **February 1, 2025**, the **Interim Trade Agreement (AIC)** between Chile and the European Union (EU) has entered in force, replacing the international trade provisions of the **2002 Association Agreement (AA)**.

Key changes and benefits:

• Increase in Chilean products with tariff reductions:

- Chile will be able to export **96.5% of its products tariff-free** within **seven years**.
- This benefits products such as **beef, fish, eggs, olive oil, and dairy products**.

• New self-certification system for declaration of origin:

- Chilean importers will be able to certify origin with:
 - a **declaration from the European exporter** who must be registered in the **REX system** for importations equal to or greater than EUR 6,000; or
 - a **declaration from a Chilean importer registered as an Authorized Economic Operator (AEO)**.

• Greater recognition to geographical indications (GI):

- Chilean emblematic products such as **Cáhuil salt, Pica lemon, Azapa olives, and Huasco Valley olive oil** will be recognized in the European market.

In parallel with the **AIC**, member countries have agreed to implement the **Advanced Framework Agreement (AMA)**, which aims to **fully modernize the AA**, incorporating AIC regulations and addressing additional aspects of cooperation, trade, and investment.

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The **AMA** is currently under review by all EU member states, and once approved, it will replace the **AIC**, making it obsolete.

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