

# THE CAP NEEDS REFORMS BUT FINALLY REAL ONES

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# THE CAP ORIGINS & MAIN OBJECTIVES

- THE CAP ORIGINATED AS A PART OF THE ROME TREATY IN 1950'S
- THE MAIN CAP OBJECTIVES:
  - ENOUGH FOOD AFTER THE DISASTERS OF THE 2<sup>ND</sup> WW
  - CHEAP FOOD AT REASONABLE PRICES
  - HEALTHY FOOD
  - FAIR STANDARD OF LIVING FOR FARMERS

# THE CAP POSITIVE RESULTS

- THANKS TO HUGE SUBSIDIES FROM THE EU BUDGET (ORIGINALLY UP TO 50% OF THE TOTAL EU BUDGET) THE CAP HAS SOON MET ALL ITS ORIGINAL OBJECTIVES
- THE CAP HAS REVOLUTIONED AGRICULTURE IN THE EU CHANGING IT INTO A MODERN GROSS PRODUCTION
- IT BECAME HIGHLY MECHANIZED
- IT HAS BEEN ALSO HIGHLY CHEMIZED MAINLY REGARDING FERTILIZERS AND PROTECTION OF CROPS AGAINST ANY NEGATIVES
- THE PRODUCTION WAS EVER GROWING
- THE EU HAS BECOME FAMOUS FOR MOUNTAINS OF BUTTER, LAKES OF MILK, SEAS OF WINE, ETC

# SOME OF MAIN CAP NEGATIVES

- ALTHOUGH THANKS TO ABOVE DEVELOPMENT THE AGRICULTURE HAS BECOME HIGHLY EFFICIENT WITH EMPLOYMENT DROPPING TO LESS THAN 5% AND THE SAME ALSO CONTRIBUTION TO THE GDP
- BUT IN SPITE OF THAT THE CAP SUBSIDIES HAVE BEEN PERMANENTLY GROWING AND ACHIEVED ABOUT 50% OF THE TOTAL EU BUDGET
- IN SOME CASES SUBSIDIES HAVE BEEN PAID FOR INCREASING THE PRODUCTION LIKE E.G. OIL PLANTS
- IN OTHER CASE THEY WERE PAID FOR LIMITING PRODUCTION LIKE E.G. FOR DESTROYING WINEYARDS IN ORDER TO DECREASE THE WINE PRODUCTION
- IN MANY CASES THEY HAVE BEEN AID JUST FOR OWING SOME AGRI SOIL

# MAIN NEGATIVES OF THE CAP SUBSIDIES

- AS MENTIONED ABOVE OFTEN THEY ARE PAID FOR SUPPORTING PRODUCTION AND IN OTHER CASES TO REDUCE THE PRODUCTION AND IN SOME OTHERS JUST TO OWNERS
- THERE ARE STILL SOME DIFFERENCES IN CAP SUBSIDIES TO FARMERS FROM THE OLD 15 EU MEMBER STATES (OMS) AND THOSE FROM THE EU NEW MEMBER STATES (NMS)
- THE NMS ARE STILL GETTING LOWER SUBSIDIES THAN THEIR RICHER PARTNERS FROM OLD MEMBER STATES
- DUE TO THESE DIFFERENCES MANY PRODUCTIONS IN THE NMS ARE PRACTICALLY ALREADY NOT EXISTING AND WERE FULLY REPLACED BY EXPORTS FROM OMS IN VEGETABLES, FRUITS, POTATEOS, ETC.

# THE CAP SUBSIDIES AND SOME FRAUDS

- TECHNICAL SALT DISTRIBUTED AS EDIBLE SALT
- FEEDING CATTLE BY VARIOUS SUBSTANCES LIKE ANTIBIOTICS, ETC.
- PACKING AND REPACKING SOME FOODSTUFFS
- CONTAMINATE WINE, SPIRITS BY SOME UNHEALTHY SUBSTANCES
- PORK COLORED LIKE A BEEF
- MANY PRODUCTS ARE JUST COLORED SUBSTITUTIONS OF ORIGINAL ONES E.G. CHOCO BANANA STICS WITHOUT ANY REAL BANANA
- REPORTED AGRI SOILS MUCH BIGGER THAN THEY ARE IN REALITY
- EURO AS AN INSTRUMENT TO MAKE FOODSTUFFS MORE EXPENSIVE

# THE CAP IN CONCLUSIONS

- THE CAP TOO EXPENSIVE AND INEFFICIENT
- THERE ARE EVER GOING REFORMS AND “REFORMS” BUT THE CAP STILL THE SAME AS BEFORE AS AGRI LOBBY TOO STRONG AND POWERFUL
- SUBSIDIES TO AGRI OR TO RURAL DEVELOPMENT OR TO AGRITOURISM ARE NOT SOLUTIONS AS THEY STILL END UP IN THE SAME ACCOUNTS OF THE SAME FARMERS
- NOBODY WANTS TO LOOSE HIGH SUBSIDIES
- A LOT OF SUBSIDIES ARE JUST A WAIST OF THE EU FINANCES OR TAX PAYERS MONEY
- EU DECLARING INVESTMENTS TO EDUCATION, INFORMATION SOCIETY KNOWLEDGE ECONOMY BUT REAL MONEY GO STILL TO THE CAP SUBSIDIES

# CONCLUSION:

Thank you!

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