

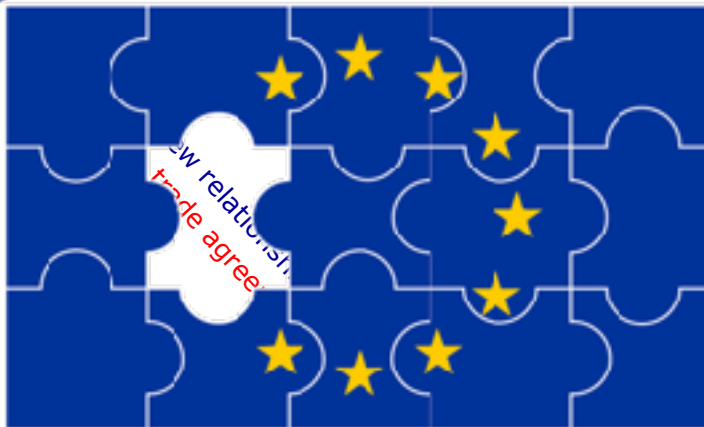


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Consequences of UK leaving the EU

When the UK will cease to be part of the EU internal market and the customs union, this will be the end of free movement of goods, in other words:

- UK = a 'third country',
- Intra-Community trade becomes export and import,
- Hence export certification and import control






Tough and sometimes rough
Development of new relationship



Options for a trade relationship:

- Swiss model
- ~~EFTA~~ EEA agreement
- UK model 
- WTO

Hard vs Soft

29 March 2019 or transition period



Objective right from the start:

NVWA should not be a trade barrier after B-day

There has been and still are many uncertainties

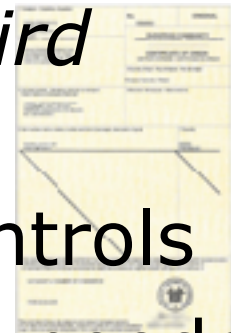
Therefore we prepare for:

- A hard Brexit on 29 March 2019
- According WTO scenario

Some facts



- Increase in *trade volumes with third countries*
- Export certification and import controls
- *More inspectors and veterinarians* needed
- Ferry ports will be a *new border*
- Import *inspection facilities* needed
- Operational in March 2019 means action in 2018!





What should be prepared (hard Brexit)

- Efficient import controls
- Enable inspection of goods and live animals that arrive at ferry ports
- Efficient export certification

- Estimate the additional number of personnel
Based on current trade volumes
- Raise awareness among trading companies

What is realistic?



- Prepare for the worst, hope for the best ...
- Realisation of new inspection facilities ...
- Recruiting and training of personnel before March 2019 ...
- Phasing, to be flexible and minimise costs ...
- Problems and solutions ...
- UK government ...
- Negotiations ...





- Recruiting of personnel (April 2018 >)
- Better insight in trade volumes
- Communication
 - Consulting ministry of LNV, EZK, VWS ...
 - Working together with Customs
 - Consulting industry (meetings, information on website)
 - Consulting the European Commission
- Problems and solutions:
 - Heads of Food Safety working group
 - Assess consequences of new Controle Regulation (2017/625)



Thank you for your attention