# **EU Fishmeal Conference**

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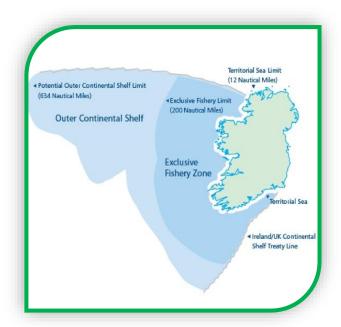
**Dublin** 

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# **Irish Seafood Industry**

- 200 million acres of sea (20 m land)
- €1 billion in value.
- Employs 11,000 in fishing, farming, processing
- 2,039 fishing vessels
- 250 Aquaculture operations
- 156 processing companies
- Domestic consumption: 21 kgs/Capita





## Where Does Irish Seafood Come From?

### By Volume - 325,000 tonnes

Capture Fisheries – 281,000 tonnes (85%)

• Farmed Shellfish – 26,300 tonnes (9%)

Salmon/Finfish – 17,600 tonnes (6%)

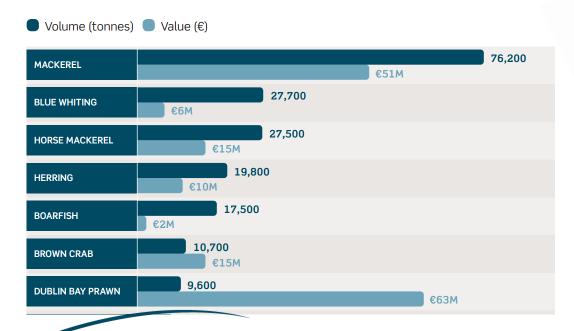




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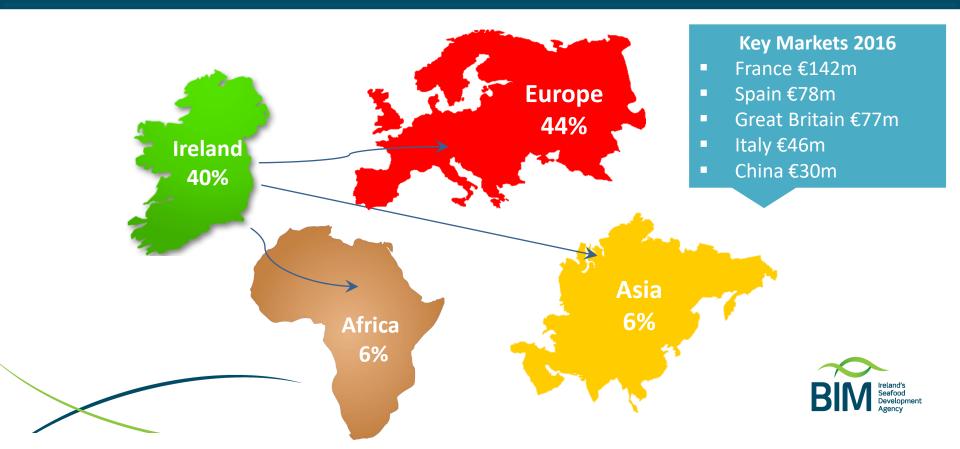
### Main species by value and volume

Landed weight (tonnes) >10 metre vessels (domestic landings)





## Markets - Irish Seafood Value 2016 - €939m





## **Aquaculture - Pioneering Organic Salmon**



Irish Organic Salmon 2016 -€8.90

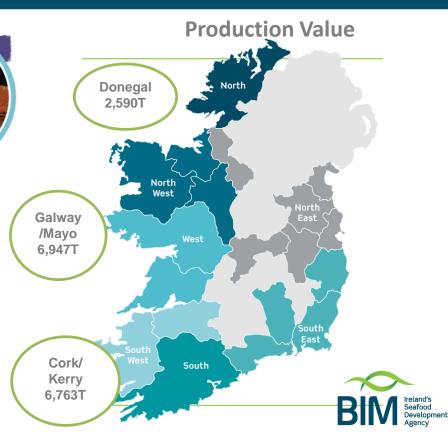
UK Salmon 2016 -€6.96

### SALMON

Sea production of salmon has increased by 24% to 16,300 tonnes worth €105 million in 2016 a significant increase on the 2015 data.

Primary salmon production provides mainly full-time employment and has the most diverse and lucrative economic knock on effects.





# **Key Priorities**



**Brexit** 



Accessing North
Atlantic Seafood
Resource



Origin Green



Innovation / R&D



### **Brexit**

#### **Issues**

- 36% of Irish fishing quotas caught in UK waters
- Irelands exports 14% of seafood exports to UK valued ~ €78m
- Ireland imports from UK ~ €186m
- Land border



#### What we know (short-term)

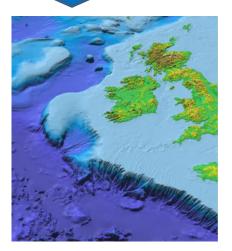
- Currency volatility
- Tougher UK market
- Tougher competition from UK processors in UK market and export markets
- What's unclear but planning for : hard or soft BREXIT
  - Supply chain management
  - Customs / VAT
  - RTM
  - People



## **Accessing more of North Atlantic Seafood Fish Resource**

- 1.2 mio tonnes fish caught off west coast of Ireland
- Ireland quota 20% share
- Proposition to non-Irish vessels to land in Ireland reducing fishing costs and increasing "time at sea".
- Ireland building processing capacity and innovation in value added products and marine ingredients.

Close proximity to richest fishing grounds in the world





## **Origin Green Differentiating Irish Seafood**



## **Sustainability across the Supply Chain**

Irelands National Sustainability Programme

Environmental targets are set and agreed

Accredited, Independent Verification

53 Verified Seafood Companies at present

Market Differentiation / USP





## **Developing R&D Partnerships – Matching Science with Industry**



**Bio-Marine Ingredients** 



**Crab Chitosan** 



Marine Ingredients R& D



**United Fish Industries** 

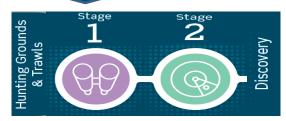


# **Seafood Innovation Hub (SIH)**

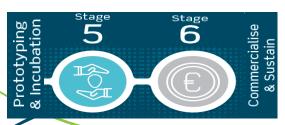
End to End Innovation Process

Technical Services & Scale up

Market-Led Client
Services



















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