



# The Sugar cane Industry in Mauritius

### **Organisation**

Mauritius Cane Industry Authority

Mauritius Sugar **Syndicate** 

12,000

Flexifactories

Sugar Insurance **Fund** Board

Sugar Investment **Trust** 

Planters

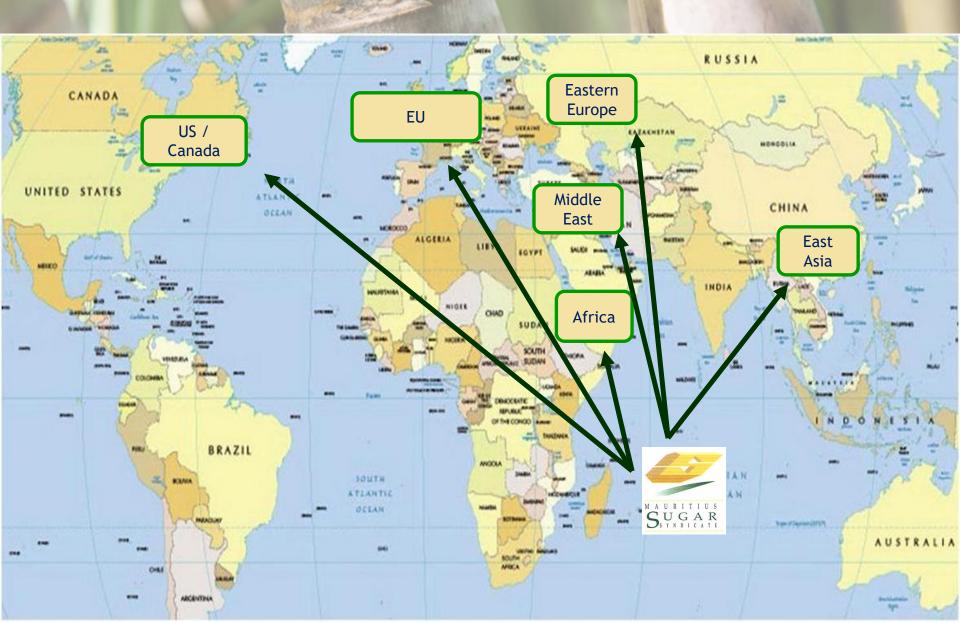
Irrigation Authority

### **Products**

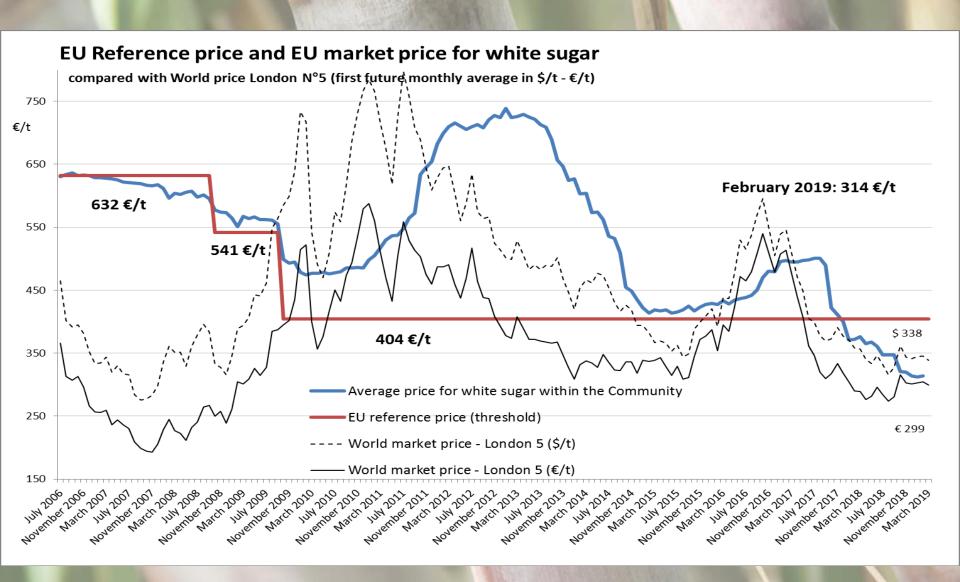
- **DC Sugars**
- Molasses for bioethanol, rum, liquid fertiliser & food-grade CO<sub>2</sub> production
- Renewable energy etc.



# **Our Sugar Export Network**



### **International Sugar Prices**



### **Fairtrade**



- Partnership, dialogue, transparency, accountability, respect, (gender-) equity & sustainability are the core values of Fairtrade.
- Aims at promoting sustainable development and reducing poverty through fairer trade.
- The main goals of Fairtrade are to make changes to the conventional trading system that aim to mainly benefit small producers and workers in the South and increase their access to markets. These actions can lead to socio-economic upliftment of small producers' and workers', as well as to their empowerment, and to environmental sustainability.
- The Fairtrade Premium as a reward for the sustainability efforts of farmers.

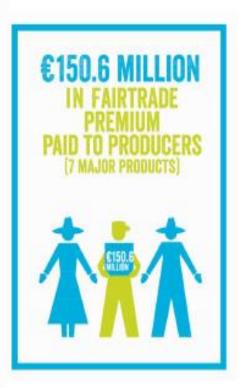
### The Four Pillars of Fairtrade

Fairtrade International	Standards Development Producer Support International Policy & Advocacy
FLOCERT	Producer Certification Trader Certification
3 Producer Networks: Fairtrade Africa (FTA) Fairtrade Asia & Pacific (NAPP) Central & Latin America (CLAC)	Awareness Raising in the South Consolidating Producer Policy & Strategy Developing Partnerships & Capacity Support
Labelling Initiatives	Licensing Trade Certification Marketing & Communication Awareness Raising

### A GLOBAL MOVEMENT





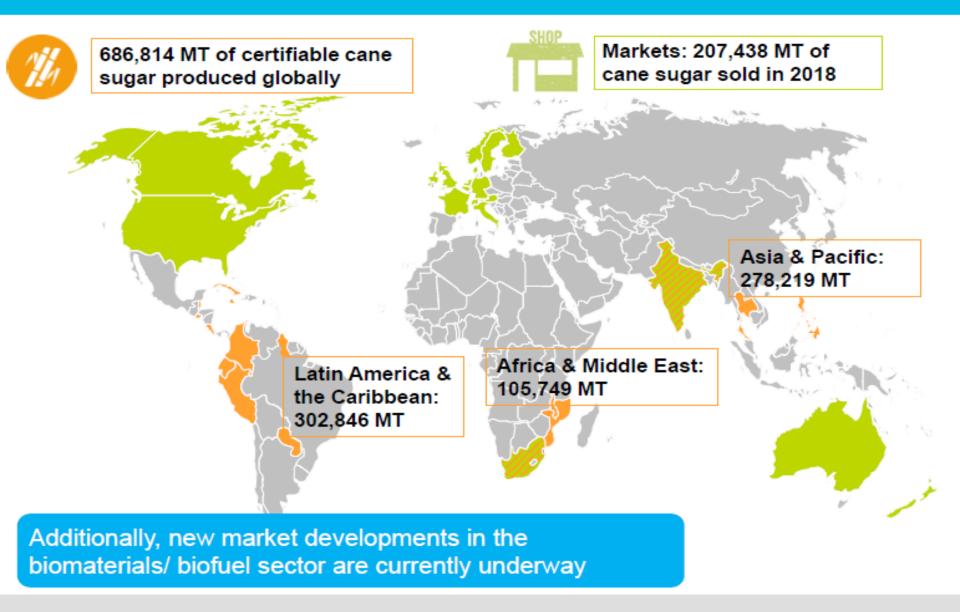




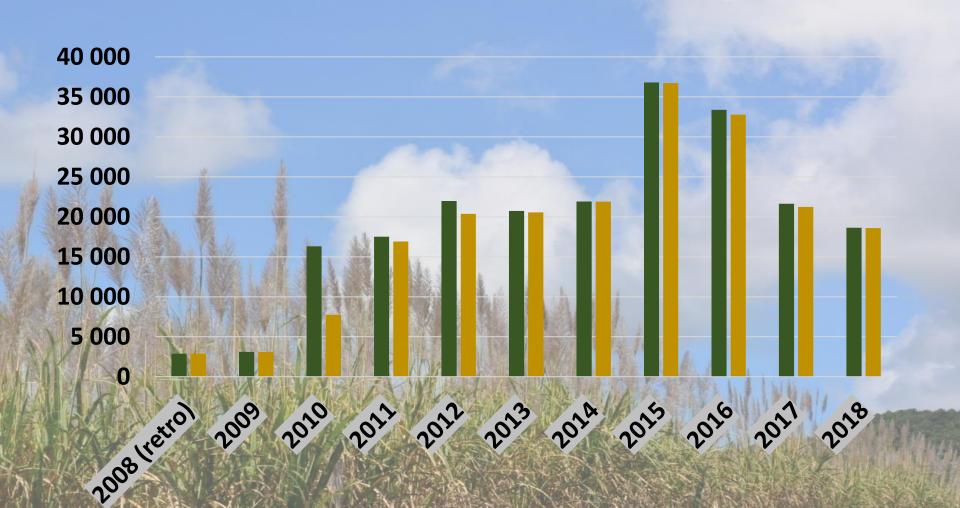
Big 7 products 90%+ sales (around \$US 7billion in Retail sales value)

Coffee, Banana, Cocoa, Cotton, Flowers, Sugar, Tea

# FAIRTRADE CANE SUGAR: SALES, PRODUCTION VOLUMES AND NEW MARKET DEVELOPMENTS (2017)



# Mauritius Fairtrade Sugar Production & Sales 2008/09 – 2018/19



Production (MT)

Sales (MT)







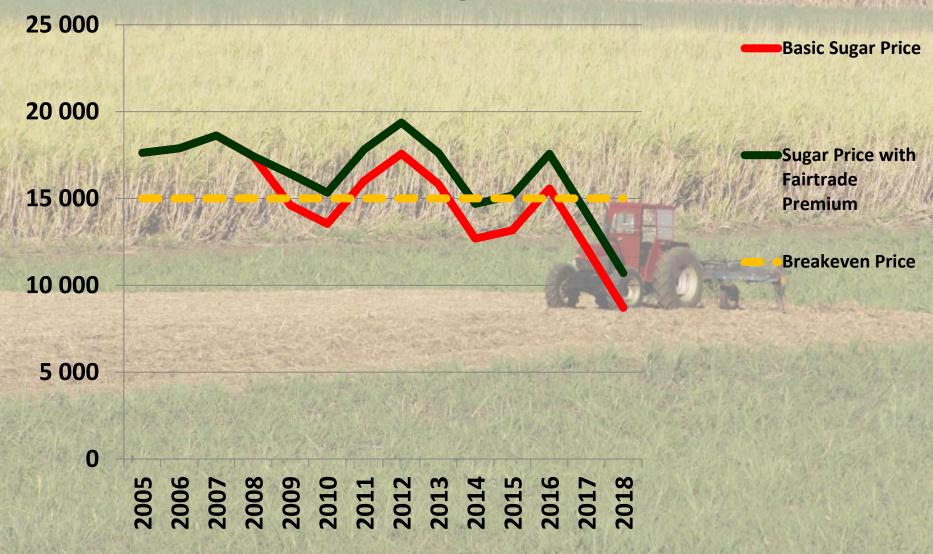






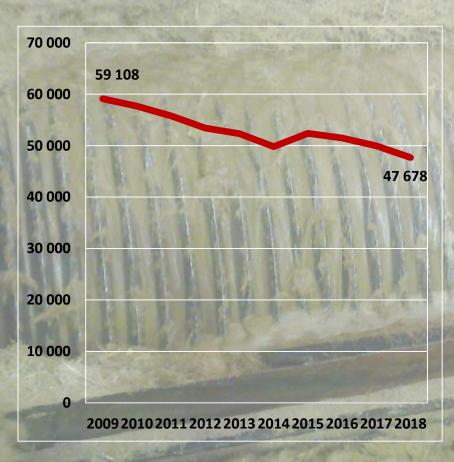


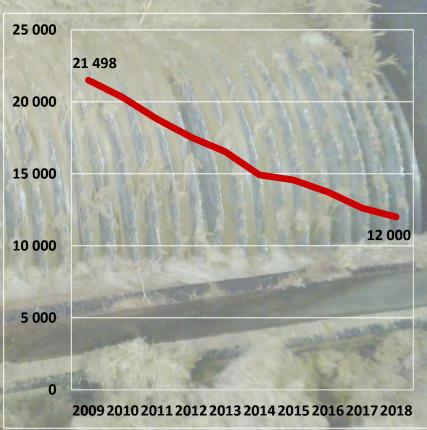
# Impact of the Fairtrade Premium on Farmers' Sugar Revenue



#### Area under cane (ha)

#### No. of cane farmers





## **Key Takeaways**

- · Fairtrade is an important sustainability agent,
- Fairtrade Premium drives change and improvement,
- However, farmers' income needs to be boosted through further value-addition &
- New pathways need to be explored & new partnerships forged.



# Fairtrade Rum - Are we ready?

30 certified co-ops

A dozen distilleries

A vibrant export network

Know-how

# **Our Rum Export Network**



