

Reference Region: Eastern Alps / Value Chain: Trento PDO Wine

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Reference Region - Eastern Alps

- Alpine and pre-Alpine chains of Trentino-Alto Adige, Veneto, Friuli Venezia Giulia and Slovenia
- Main agricultural activities:
 - Extensive Cattle production on pasture for the production of milk for PDO and quality cheese
 - Fruit production (apples and berries)
 - Grape production for PDO quality wine







TRENTO DOC WINE Value Chain

Historical and well-established value chain

Main product: sparkling wine

<u>Diversity of business models</u>: farmers' cooperatives (80%), large private wineries (e.g. Ferrari), small family wineries, small family grape producers

<u>Favourable infrastructure</u>: roads, water supply/reservoirs/distribution for irrigation, energy, digital

AKIS: high availability of training, research and advisory services/opportunities

Focus on sustainability issues, advanced cooperation with other economic sectors (e.g. tourism)

The "mountain" origin seems to be one of the key values for wine marketing strategy: official slogan of Trentodoc promotional campaign – "*Sparkling wines from the mountains"*

Up to 90% of the activities take place in the area and up to 80% of the value generated by wine production stays in the territory and the local community.







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PDO regulations and implication on the mountain VC and the territory



- professionalism in cultivating grapevines and attentive selection of grapes
- grapes' origin exclusively from Trentino
- > varieties used Chardonnay and/or/ Pinot Bianco and/or Pinot Nero and/or Pinot Meunier
- wine-making process includes secondary fermentation in the bottle («traditional method»)
- long aging on the lees

So far...

- there is no specific linkage to the mountain origin of the product (grape) (maybe we have to define what is mountain)
- the standards do not include environmental and/or social sustainability characterization (it will be mandatory in the near future)







Next steps to improve the resilience and sustainability



- Connection of quality scheme to marketing strategy (differenciate wines produced on higher altitudes?), that can enhance credibility and increase added value of mountain origin products
- Introduction of environmental sustainability standards for every production stage from vineyard management to packaging
- Exploitation of currently favourable situation of wine market as a basis for better social sustainability practices: developing infrastructure, encouraging mixed family farming (extensive animal husbandry and berry production, touristic services), increasing rural vitality by attracting young professionals







Thank you!

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