

What are the implications of Ukraine conflict on the EU forest products trade?

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Introduction

- Trade in wood and wood products is one of the very important elements of the EU global market.
- In 2020 it contributed to 42% of the world total export and 32% of the world total import of forest products.





Methods

The aim of our paper is **to quantify the EU's dependence** on timber from Russia and to indicate the **possible Impact** on international timber trade.

- analyse of value of Russia's exports and imports of forest products
- analyse of trade flows from Russia, focusing in particular on a detailed analysis of forest products flows to the EU
- examination of the relative share of Russia's exports in the European Union's imports.

Results

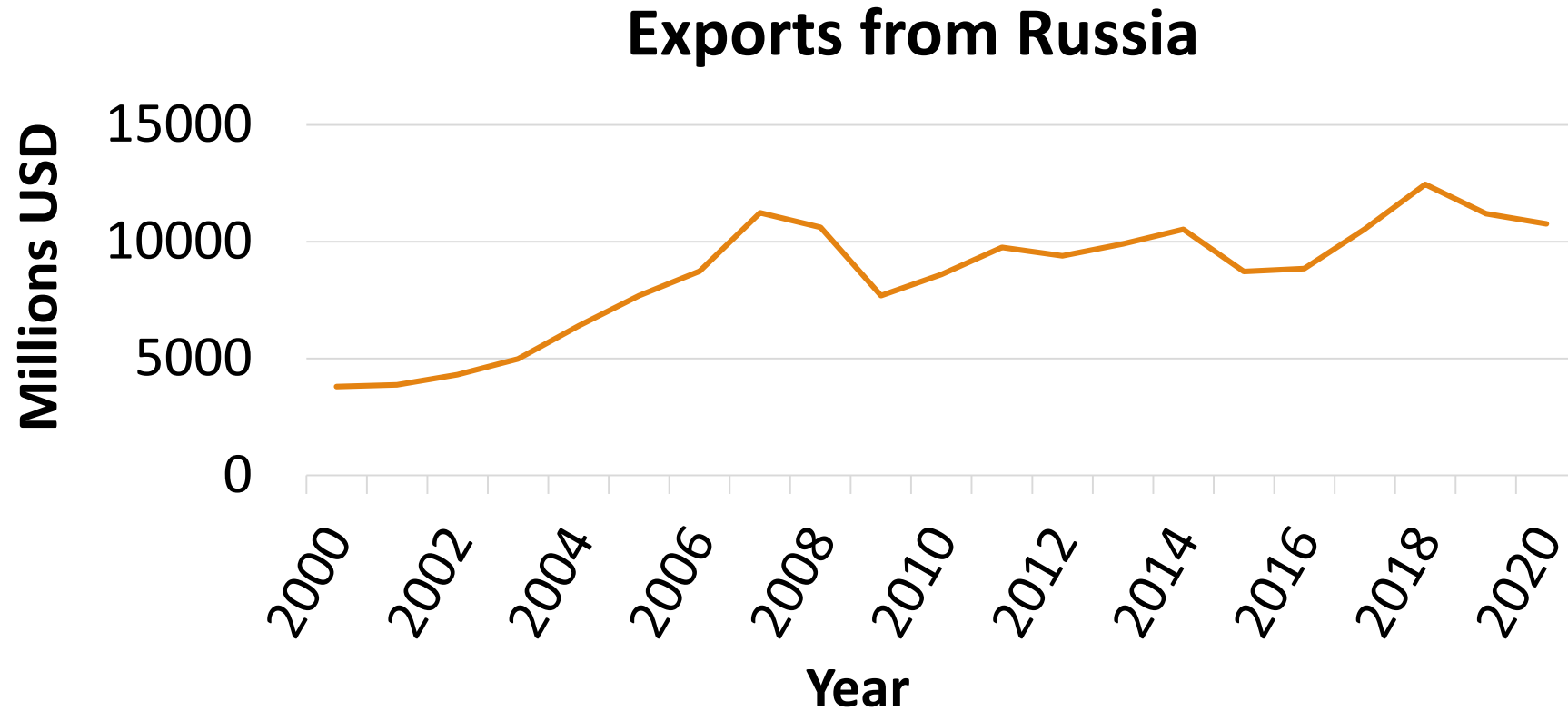


Figure 1 The value of exports from Russia

Table 1 Value of exports from Russia to most important partner countries

2017	USD	2016	USD	2015	USD
China	4146000000	China	3376000000	China	2997000000
Japan	464000000	Egypt	473000000	Egypt	630000000
Uzbekistan	440503000	Japan	371000000	Japan	391000000
Egypt	439000000	Finland	347298000	Germany	360000000
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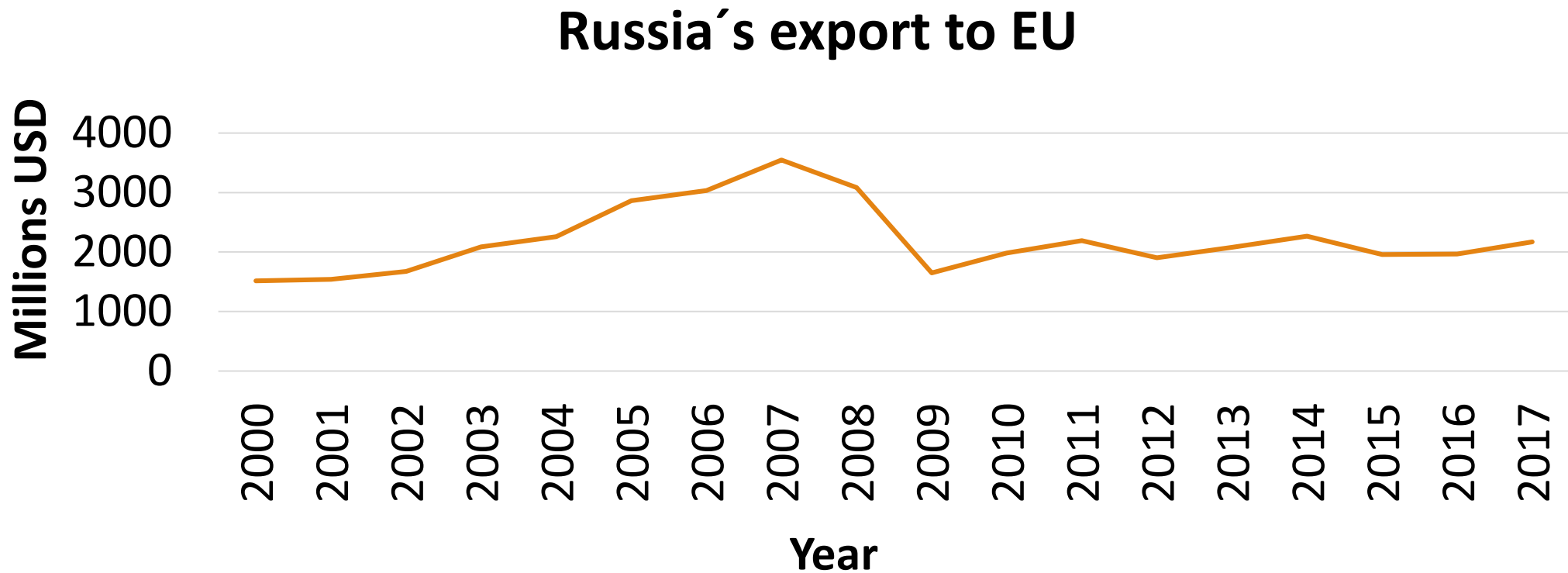


Figure 2 The value of Russia's export to EU

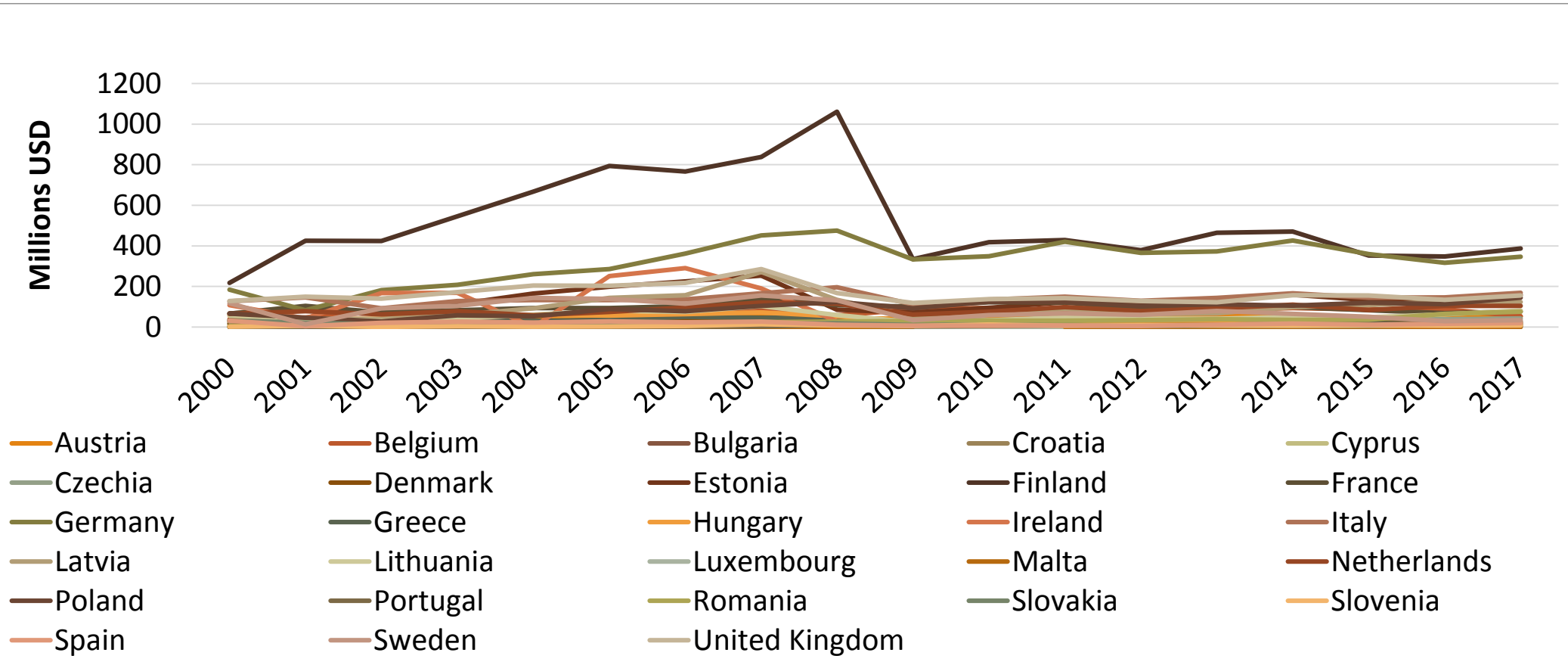


Figure 3 Value of Russian exports to EU countries

Conclusions

- EU is a significant global player on forest products market.
- Russia's exports of forest products to the EU has a decreasing trend.
- The global community and regional groups have imposed a number of sanctions on Russia.
- The EU largely covers its own needs of wood, over 80% of this comes from the own European forests.
- Imports from Russia to the EU, is only around 2% of the total consumption.
- Since 2008, exports of unprocessed wood from Russia throughout the EU have declined.
- The increase in the price of import duties, from some 15% to almost 80%, which Russia does not respect its commitments under WTO law.

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