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# MACFRUT 2026: THE GLOBAL HUB OF THE FRUIT AND VEGETABLE SECTOR

*The 43rd edition is the most international ever: over 800 top buyers (+20%), exhibitors from five continents, and the presence of 5 Ministers (Lebanon, Syria, 2 from the Dominican Republic, and Italy). The event will take place from April 21 to 23 at the Rimini Expo Centre.*

Double-digit growth in buyers (+20%), exhibitors from five continents, exclusive events, and as many as 5 Ministers of Agriculture and Trade attending (Syria, Lebanon, 2 from the Dominican Republic, and Italy), along with numerous delegations and embassies.

**Macfrut confirms itself as the global hub of the fruit and vegetable supply chain** - where business meets knowledge - thanks to a rich program featuring around 100 events with experts from all over the world.

The event will be held from **Tuesday, April 21 to Thursday, April 23 at the Rimini Expo Centre**, bringing together professionals from a strategic Made in Italy sector which, last year, reached a record export value of €6.7 billion, marking an 11% increase compared to 2024.

Despite geopolitical uncertainties, one week before the event there have been **no cancellations from international exhibitors, and the more**

**than 800 top buyers are all confirmed-marking the highest number** in the 43 editions of Macfrut (670 last year). In particular, the presence of **importers from Northern and Eastern Europe** has been strengthened, following targeted scouting activities, with a significant participation of 30 buyers from **Poland**, a country that hosted a networking event in Warsaw just one month ago.

There will also be important buyer delegations from **Brazil**, increasingly strategic for Italian exports, with around 40 participants, as well as from **China**, with a large delegation from its two main fruit and vegetable markets (Guangzhou and Shanghai).

“We are proud of this result, achieved in a challenging context for international events,” said **Patrizio Neri**, President of Macfrut. “A special thanks goes to the Italian Trade Agency (ICE), which has strengthened its support for Macfrut and the internationalization of the Italian fruit and vegetable supply chain.

ICE will bring 800 foreign operators from 80 countries to the fair. Combined with the year-round work of our international office, this makes this edition the most international ever.

This is also the result of a renewed scouting approach, with targeted actions that allowed us to engage specific buyers across the entire supply chain.”

Among the **largest delegations** is the **Dominican Republic**, featuring an impressive 400-square-meter stand, with producers and exporters of tropical fruit, as well as key institutional figures including the **Minister of Agriculture** Francisco Oliverio Espaillat Bencosme, **Minister of Trade** Eduardo José Sanz Lovatón, former Senate President Porfirio Andrés Bautista García, and Ambassador to Italy Ada Francisca Hernández Rivera.

**The Ministers of Agriculture of Lebanon (Nizar Hani) and Syria (Amjad Bader)** will attend Macfrut on Tuesday, April 21 (4:00 PM), participating in the conference “Cultivating Cooperation: Agricultural Strategies and Cooperativism for Mediterranean Resilience,” promoted by the Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (AICS), alongside **Italy’s Minister of Agriculture Francesco Lollobrigida**.

The exhibition area will also host ten international offices of the Agency (Tirana, Bogotá, San Salvador, Havana, Tunis, Jerusalem, Beirut, Maputo, Kampala, Hanoi), with two special focuses on Latin America and Albania, in collaboration with the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of Tirana.

Numerous events will take place within international stands, including the **signing of an agreement between Macfrut and Frutas de**

**Chile, the main Chile** an exporters’ association (Wednesday, April 22 at 5:00 PM, Hall B1-036). On the same day (4:30 PM, Post-Harvest Area D2), a workshop will present **business opportunities** related to **the EU-India Free Trade Agreement (FTA)**, with representatives from the Embassy of India in Rome.

The fair will also host the **Mediterranean Stone Fruit Summit** and the “**International Conference on Herbs and Spices (ICHS-2026)**,” featuring speakers from the United States, Morocco, India, Portugal, Spain, Romania, Tunisia, Serbia, Albania, Italy, Turkey, Greece, Pakistan, Algeria, Libya, Switzerland, and South Africa.

The international focus of **Macfrut 2026 is dedicated to Caribbean countries**, with participation from **Cuba, Costa Rica, Colombia, Ecuador**, and the **Dominican Republic**.

From South America, **Argentina, Brazil, Chile**, and **Peru** will be present, while more than twenty **Sub-Saharan African** countries will attend, including Algeria as a new entry.



# THE PORT OF RAVENNA LEADER IN AGRIFOOD PRODUCTS

The port of Ravenna is the first Italian port for agri-food products.

In 2025 it handled 6.1 million tonnes of agri-food products (foodstuffs and agricultural products), a slight increase compared to 2024 (+14.2%).

Of the 6.1 million tons of agri-food products, almost 2.0 million tons, especially soybeans and flour, originate from Brazil and Argentina, over 1.6 million tons, especially cereals, flours, oilseeds and oils from Ukraine, thanks to the "solidarity corridors" and the "Black Sea Grain Initiative" agreement, while 878 thousand tons are imported from North America (mainly US soybeans and Canadian wheat).

In fact, Ravenna has always been the port of reference for the countries bordering the Black Sea and, in particular, for Ukraine, from which large quantities of cereals, flours and vegetable oils have historically been imported.

Following the expiration, in July 2023, of the Ukrainian wheat export agreement otherwise known as the Black Sea Grain Initiative (signed between Russia and Ukraine, with the mediation of Turkey and the UN, in June 2022 and renewed several times thereafter), only the EU-Ukraine solidarity lanes have become the only available and

safe route for the export of Ukrainian cereals to Europe and the rest of the world allowing traffic of a certain importance to be maintained with the Ukraine.

Analyzing the performance of individual product categories, the import of cereals ends 2025 with 2.3 million tonnes and +41.0% compared to 2024. The main countries of origin were Ukraine with 1.2 million tonnes (+41.5%), Canada with 488 thousand tonnes (+44.3%).

As regards the import of oilseeds (1.1 million tonnes), it decrease by -7.1% compared to 2024, while the handling of oil seed and oleaginous fruit flours decreased, with 1.4 million tonnes (+2.0% on 2024).

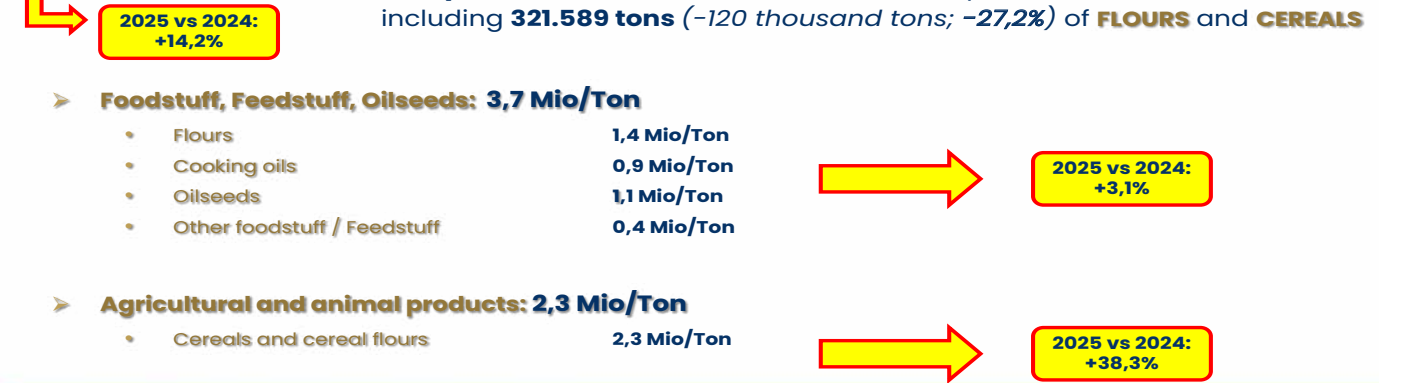
The Port of Ravenna is involved in infrastructure works worth almost 900 million euros. Currently the seabed has been deepened to -12.50, "Ravenna Port Hub" means deepening of the seabed, but also restructuring of the existing quays and construction of a new quay to be used mainly as a container terminal, launch of the port energy community, over 200 hectares of productive – logistic areas to support port and hinterland development.

Several expressions of interest were received for

## AGRI-FOOD TRAFFIC 2025

In 2025, the Port of Ravenna handled **6,1 Mio/Ton of Agri-food products** (foodstuff, agricultural and animal products):

In 2025, **341 fully loaded trains** (-103 trains; -23,2% compared to 2024) were handled, including **321.589 tons** (-120 thousand tons; -27,2%) of **FLOURS** and **CEREALS**



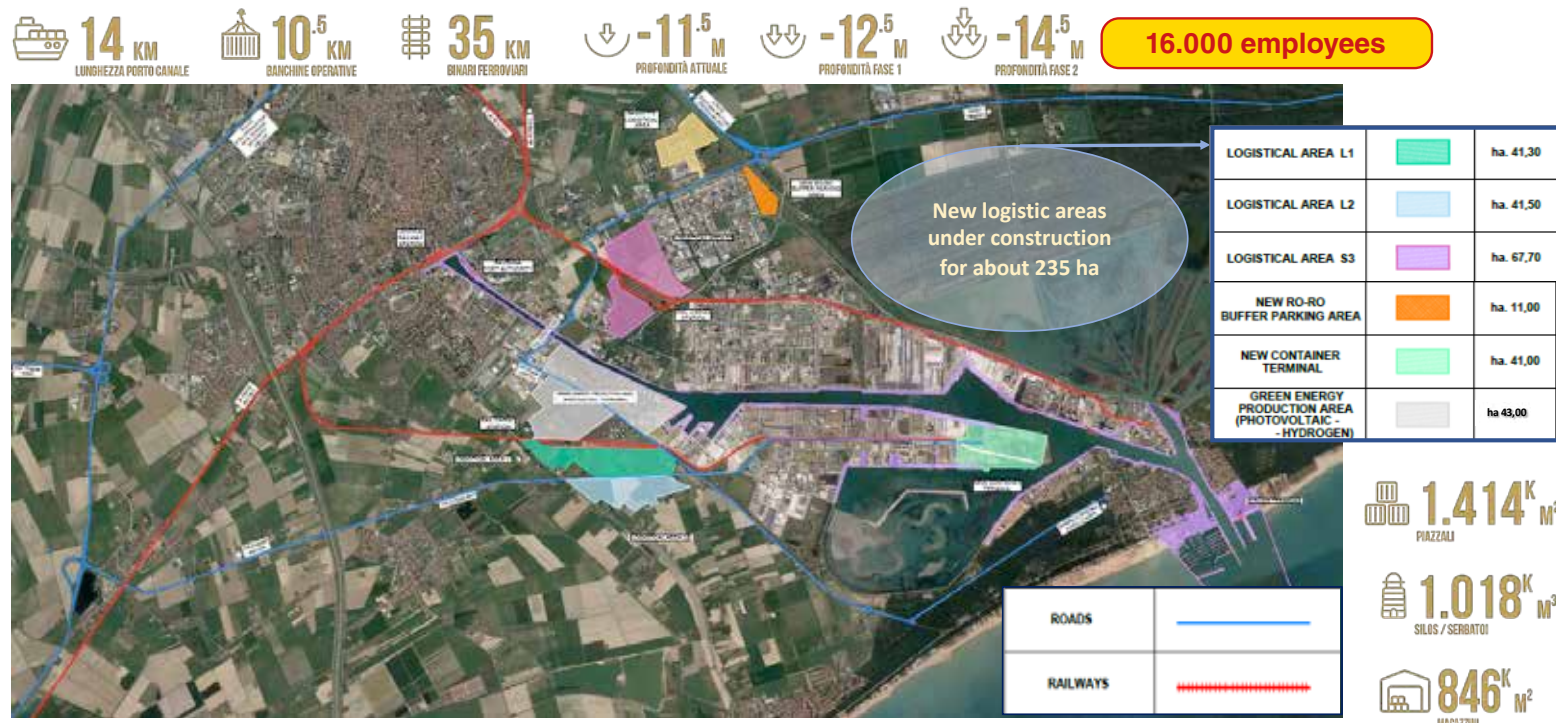
these areas, some from companies already active in the port of Ravenna, others from companies located in the centre-north of Italy with an agricultural vocation and specialization in the food and refrigeration industry. The objective is to strengthen and develop the Port's logistical capacity in favour of the agri-food supply chains, offering new warehouses, including refrigerated ones, within the port area; storage services for companies that export

their products and need to carry out consolidation at port; post-emptying storage services for companies that import products and need to distribute the goods to national and/or international markets; customs warehouses and other high value-added services for the development of import and export flows.

Hall B5 - Stand 195



## Ravenna Port Intermodal Logistic District



## LOGISTICS AREAS L1 & L2 - DEVELOPMENT



The areas are part of the POC (Municipal Operational Plan) called L1 and L2.

They consist of large areas for the development of port logistic-productive activities.

The first area called L1 is owned by SAPIR S.p.A. and totally private, while the second area called L2 is owned by the Port Authority of Ravenna. The central road axis is the SS67 Via Classicana which connects the port to the motorway arteries for the North and South of Italy.

The two areas (total 80 ha) represent the natural expansion of the port logistics-productive areas and will be characterized by high intermodality; both areas will be connected to the south railway freight station adjacent to the L1 area as well as to the Classicana road. The L1 area has already obtained the planning authorizations necessary for development, while the L2 area is directly managed by the Port Authority.



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TCR has over 260 reefer plugs, with the possibility of expansion in case of high concentrations of refrigerated traffic. Another key element is the presence within the terminal of dedicated facilities and spaces for quality and suitability checks of the goods.

The frequency of connections and short transit times to ports in the Eastern Mediterranean (such as Egypt, Cyprus, Lebanon, Israel, Turkey, Malta) allow for rapid and efficient end-to-end management, punctually supplying Italian and European fruit and vegetable markets. Recently, there has been increased interest in intermodal solutions for perishable goods as well, and TCR, thanks to its network of railway connections, is able to meet this need as well.

In conclusion, for this edition of Macfrut 2025, the Port of Ravenna presents itself as an integrated "system". The stand, organized by the Port Authority System, hosts the presence of various local operators, confirming the port's systemic approach in handling refrigerated and perishable goods.



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The container divisions are managed by Sabe and Sfacs, both based in Ravenna, handling over 26,000 TEUs per year.

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Furthermore, through its companies, the Group provides traditional maritime agency services for approximately 1,350 port calls per year, as well as maritime chartering, consulting, insurance brokerage, and risk management services.

The recent acquisition of majority stake in Globus Sped srl, based in Venice, has further strengthened the Group's expertise in the management of refrigerated goods, adding a highly specialized logistics capability to its already comprehensive range of services. Certified to ISO 9001, GMP+ B3, and registered as GAFTA Superintendent and FOSFA Member, SAGEM is also an Authorized Economic Operator (AEOC) for customs simplification. We are a constant presence at international trade fairs and events.



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These ports are now joined by Rijeka, where DCS Tramaco has just opened a new office, strengthening its presence in the Northern Adriatic and its connec-



tions with Central and Eastern Europe. The Croatian port, thanks in part to the new Rijeka Gateway container terminal built by the Maersk Group, confirms its position as a strategic hub capable of welcoming state-of-the-art vessels and developing direct connections to the Mediterranean, the Middle East, and the Far East, supported by efficient rail connections to Central and Eastern Europe.

«The new office - explains CEO Riccardo Martini, will offer the same services already available in the group's other ports, with a particular focus on refrigerated logistics, also supporting international traffic from India and China».

DCS Tramaco believes that in a near future the main international companies will favor service providers in possession of green certificates and they want to be ready, also happy to be part of this virtuous process in favour of the environment.

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