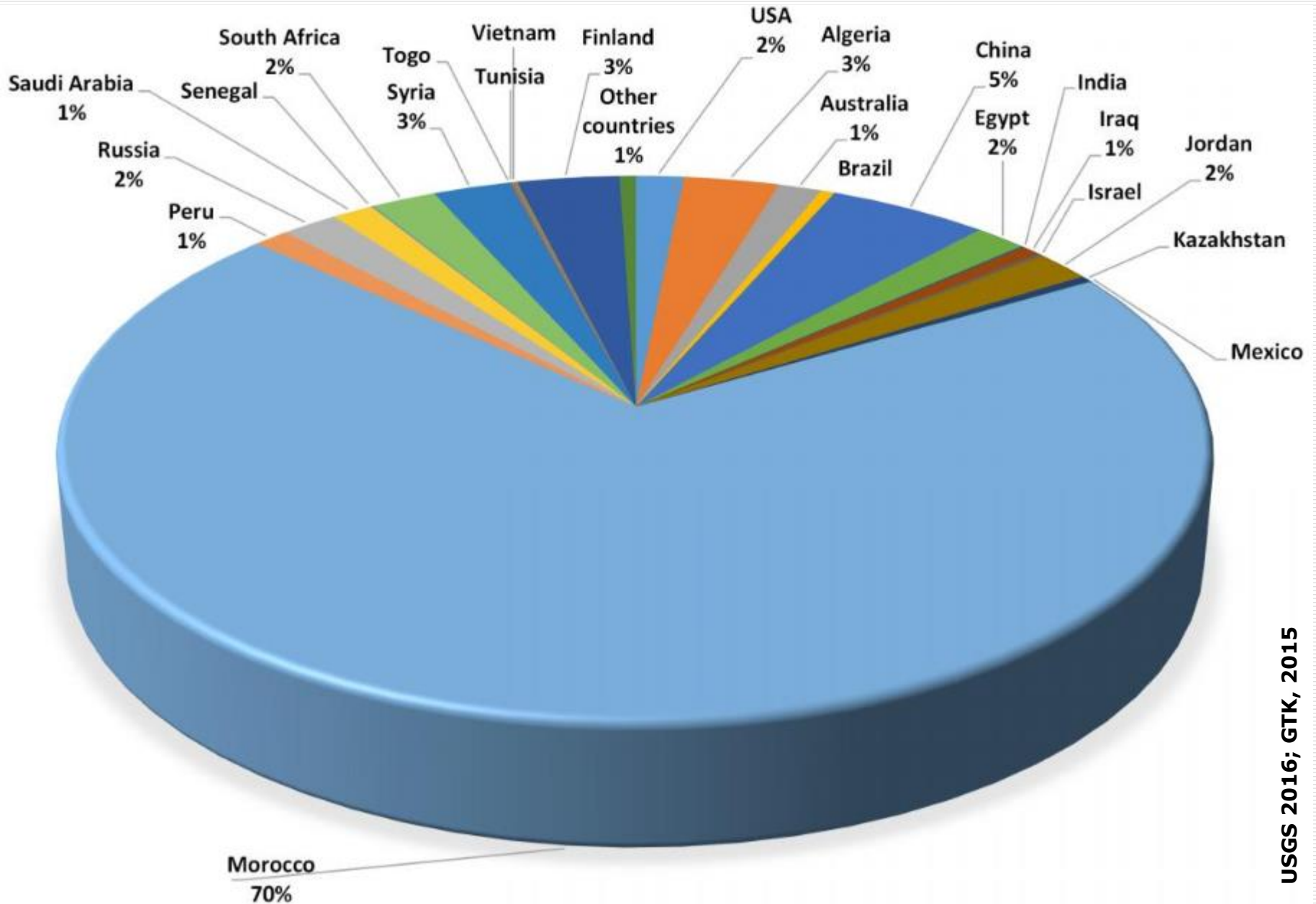


Global Status of Phosphorus

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Global distribution of commercial phosphate rock reserves



Commercial Reserves P-Rock 2016

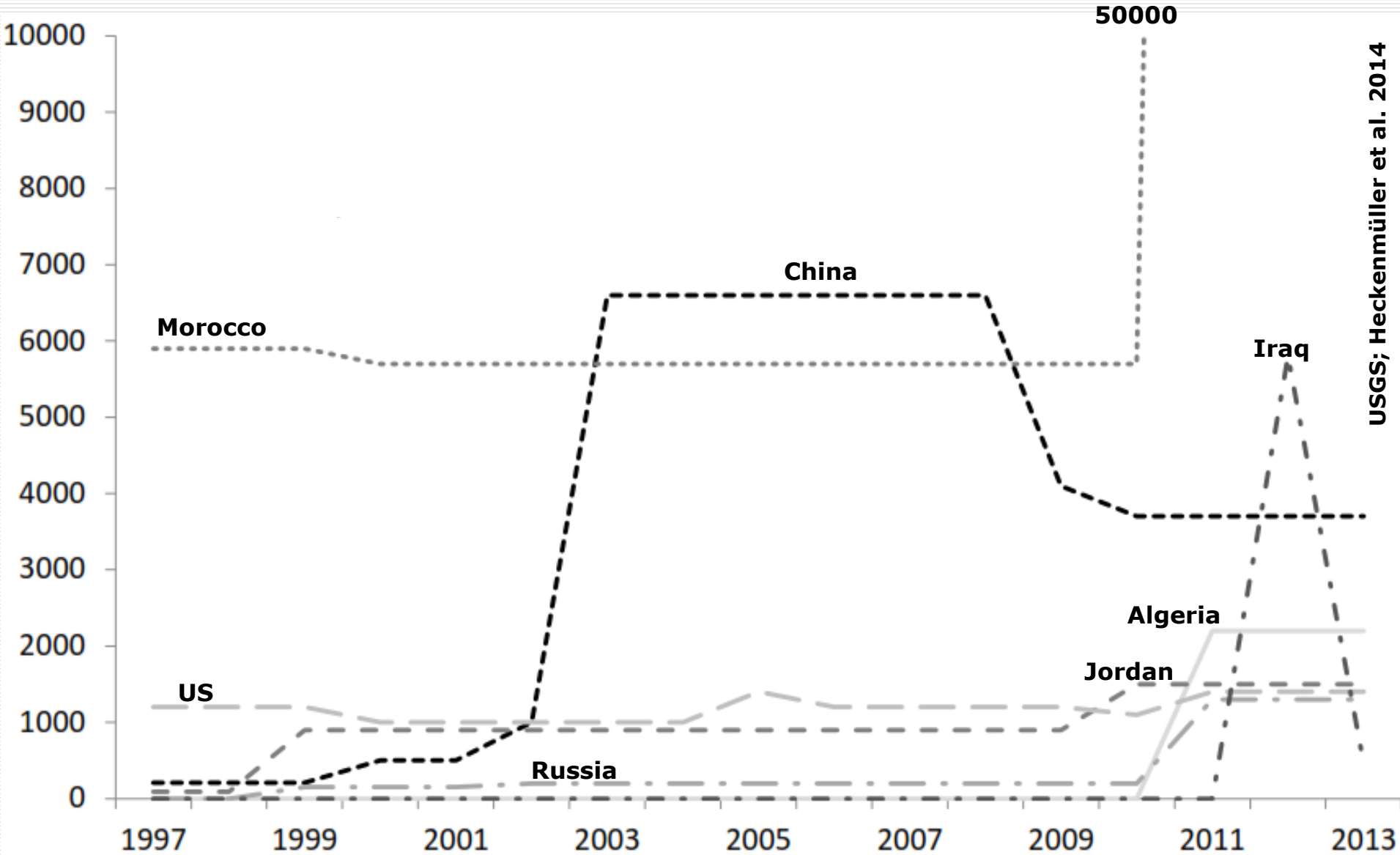
Country	Gigatons of P-rock	% of global
Global	71	100
Morocco	50	70
China	3.7	5
Finland	2.4	3
Algeria	2.2	3
Syria	1.8	3
South Africa	1.5	2
Jordan	1.3	2
Russia	1.3	2
USA	1.1	2
Australia	1	1
Saudi Arabia	0.96	1

USGS 2016; GTK, 2015

94% in 11 countries



Varying trends in estimates of phosphate rock reserves (megatons)

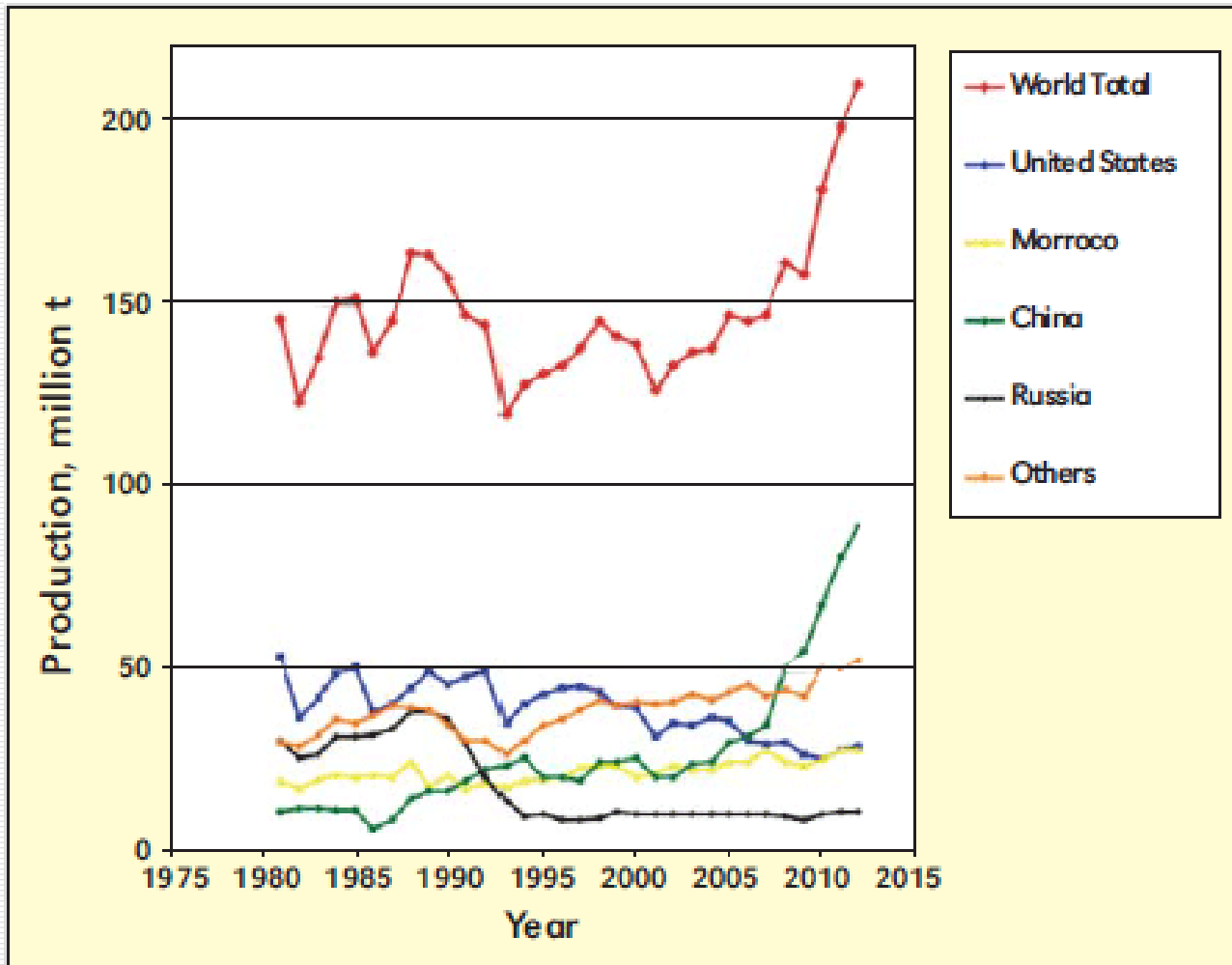


USGS; Heckenmüller et al. 2014

An indicator that global governance is lacking;
UN Does not monitor P-rock reserves



P-rock production (megatons/yr)



USGS

Sharp increase in extraction by China; world level is now 223 megatons
US decreasing, peaked in the 80s

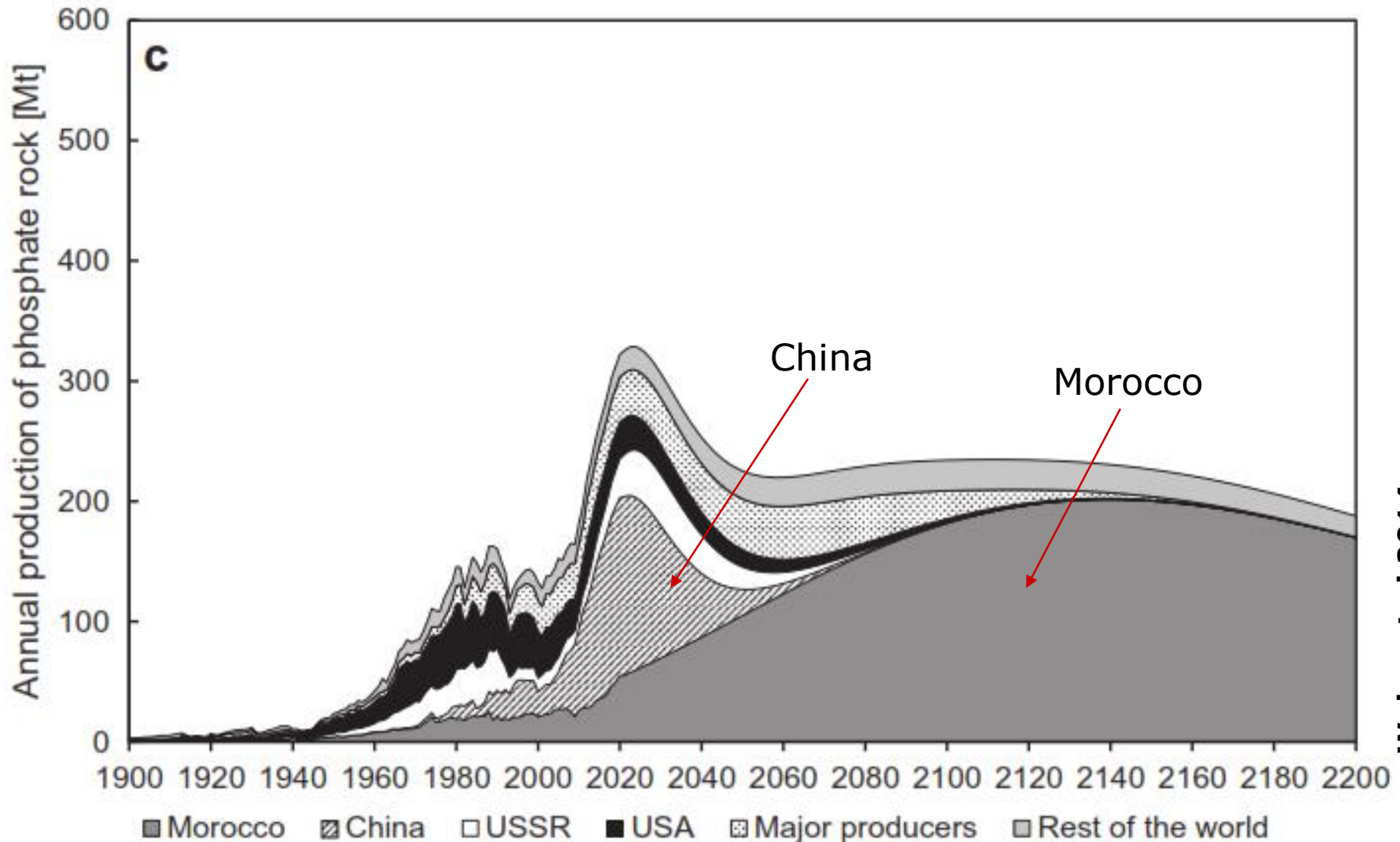
Extraction Rate of P-Rock

Country	Extraction in 2015 (megatons)	% of global capacity	Years to depletion at current rate	Years to depletion at FAO's 2.5% annual growth
Global	223		309	87
Morocco	30 (47 by 2017)	13,5	1667	150
China	100	44,8	37	26
Algeria	1.2	0,5	1833	
Syria	0.75	0,3	2400	
South Africa	2.2	1,0	682	
Jordan	7.5	3,4	173	67
Russia	12.5	5,6	104	51
USA	27.6	12,4	40	27
Australia	2.6	1,2	385	
Saudi Arabia	3.3	1,5	291	
Peru	4	1,8	205	

USGS 2016

These 5 countries represent 80% of the global capacity. In less than 30 years 57% will be gone leaving mainly Morocco alone to take over (ie much higher growth than 2.5% per yr is required)

P-rock future trends in production

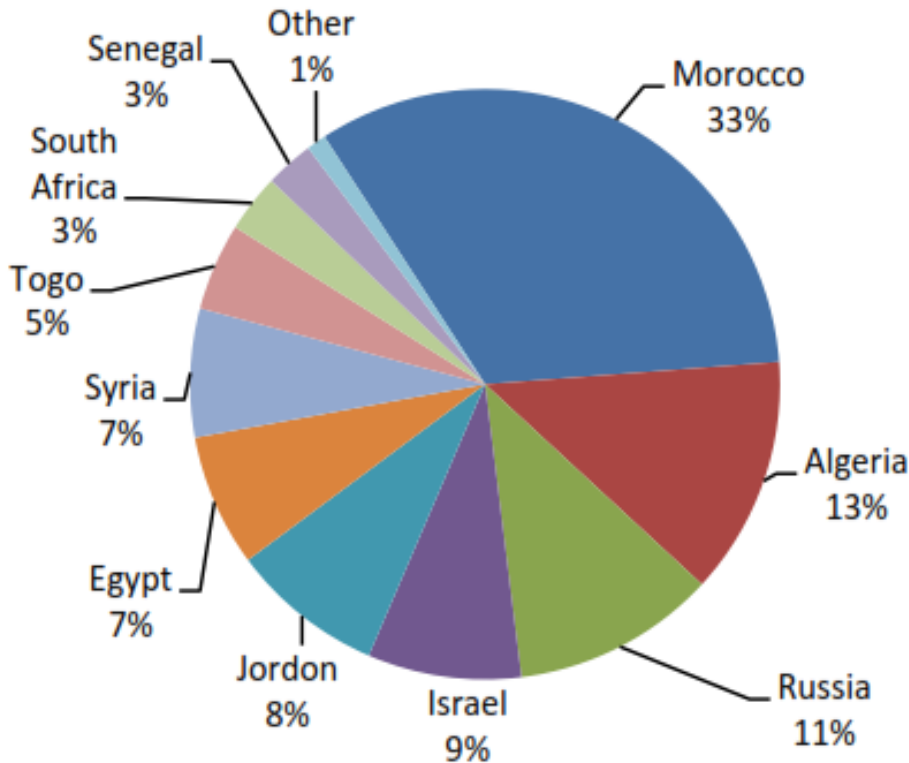


Walan et al 2014

This prognosis shows a global peak at ca 310 megatons by 2025 draining Chinese and US reserves which would almost disappear in 30 years. To prevent this destabilization the US and other countries are presently building up Morocco's capacity. Global population peaks by 2050 stabilizing levels at ca 220 megatons.

EU imports of phosphates

EU Imports of phosphates, Unground and Ground (6,201,389 t)



90% of EU phosphate is imported

75% comes from 5 countries

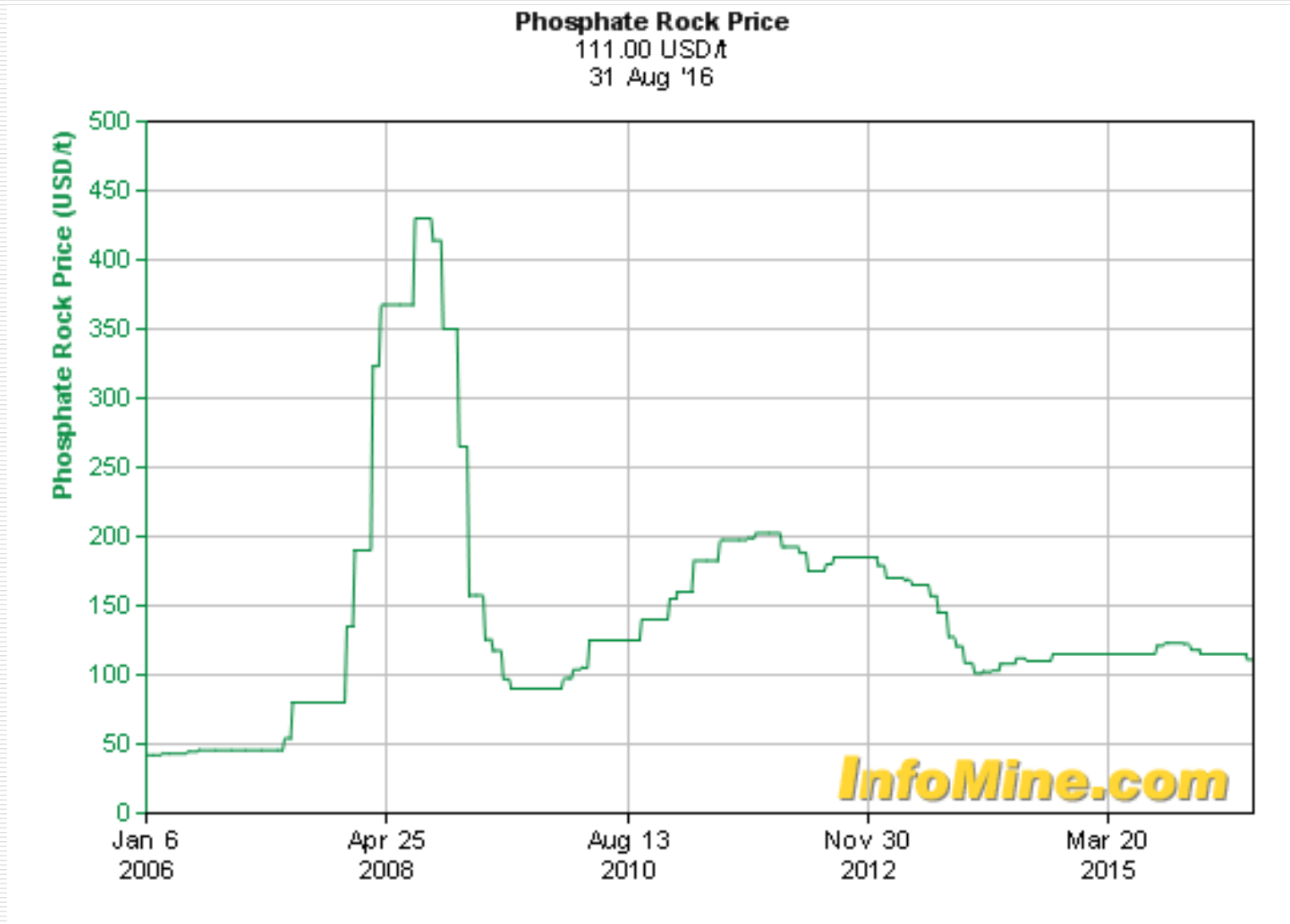
Finland Europe's only mine (2.4 gtons reserves (4% P_2O_5 ; 1 megaton per yr extracted); currently being expanded

Phosphate rock since 2014 is on the EU List of Critical Raw Materials



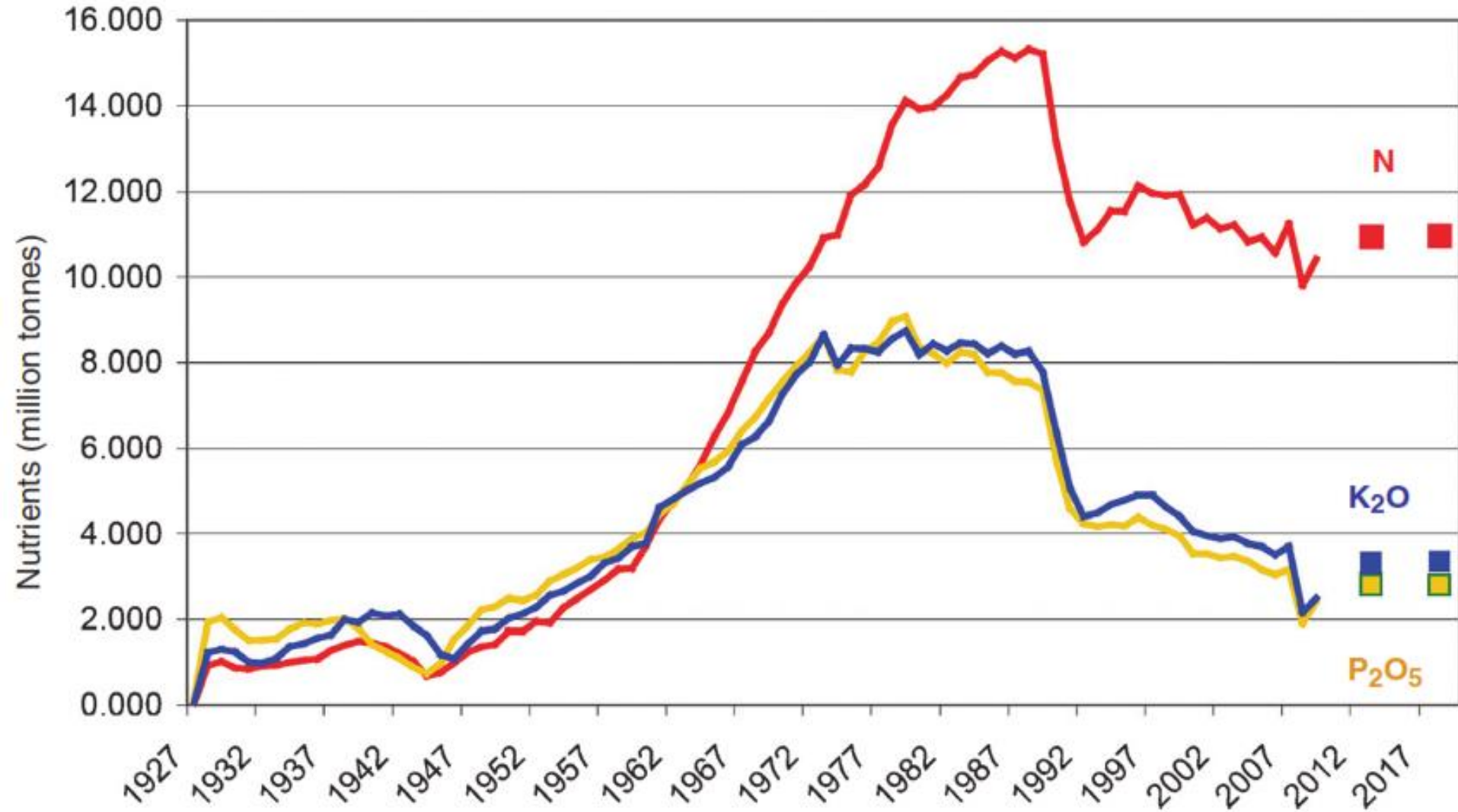
A signal that supply can be disrupted, recycling is necessary and there are no substitutes

Phosphate Rock Price Trend



market since 2008 was disrupted and “scarcity priced”;
now more stable and dropping with oil prices

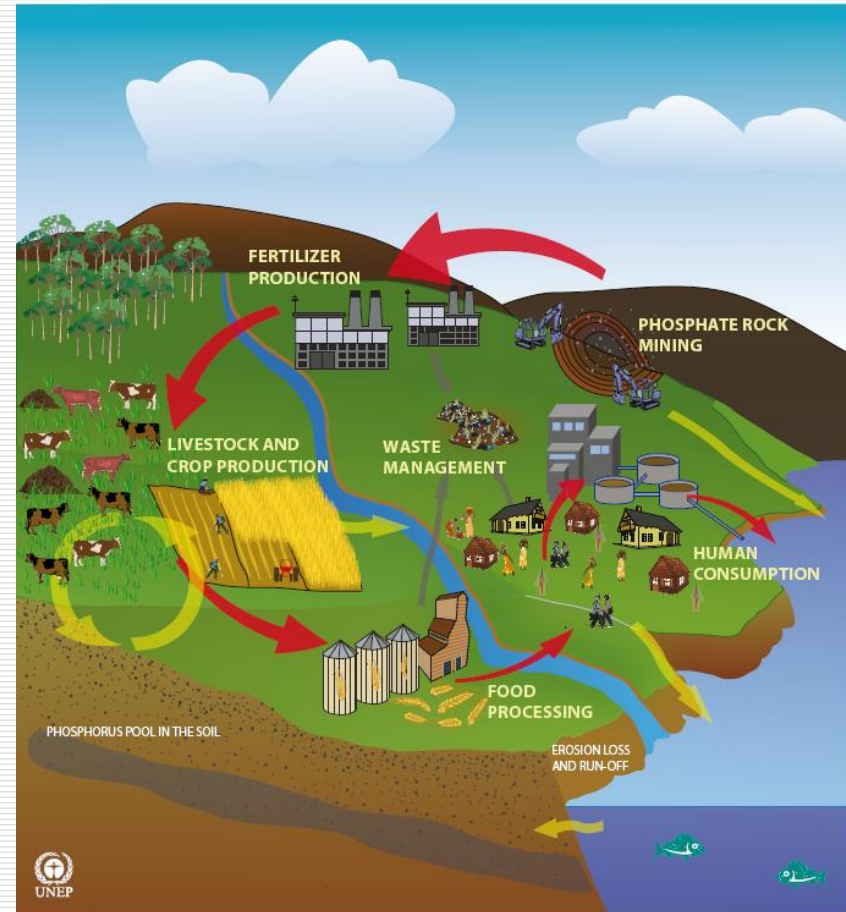
Consumption of fertilizer in EU-27



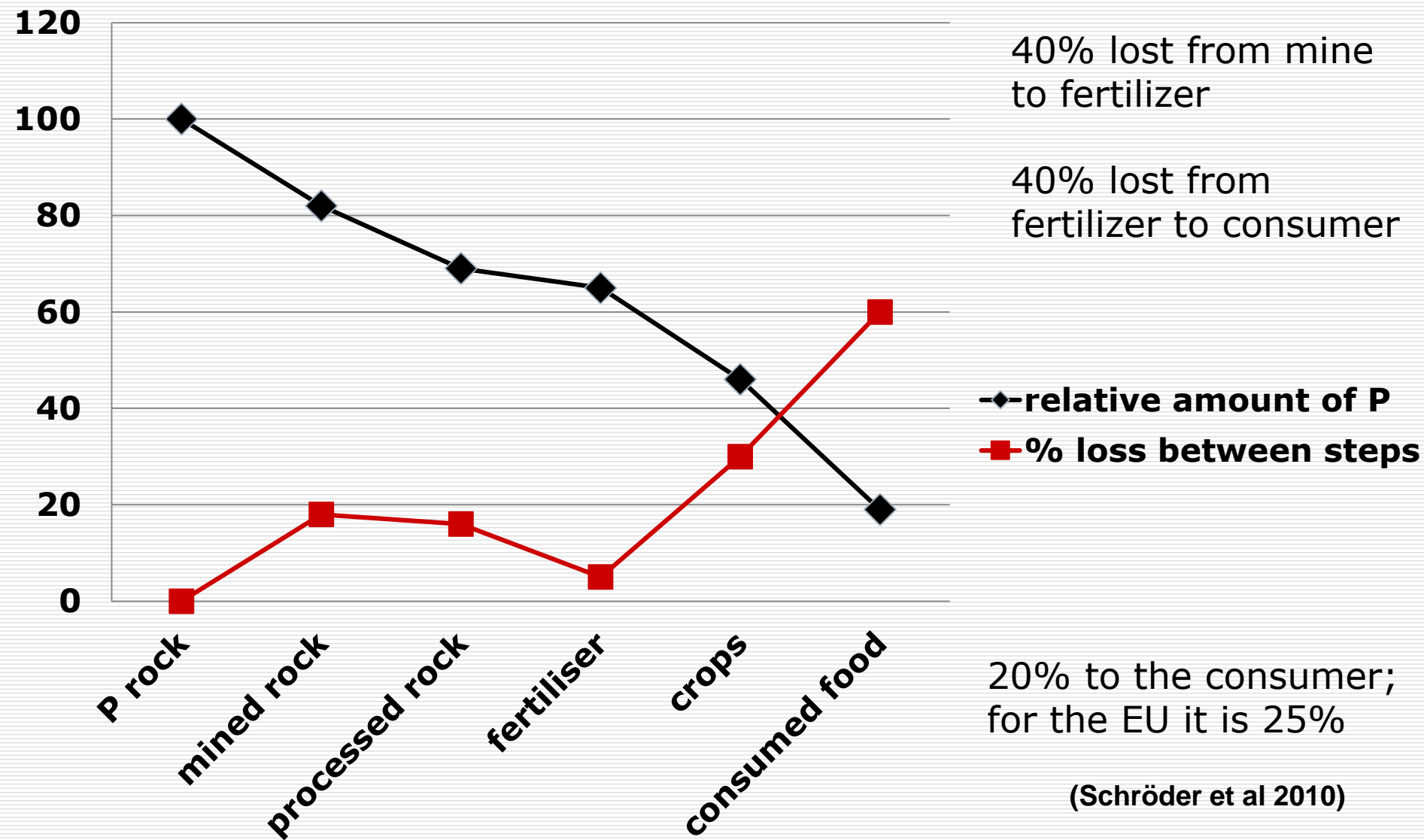
Sharp drop due to fall of the Soviet Union. The relative importance of organic sources like manure and sludge are increasing.

P value chain – multiple components to be managed

- ❑ Rock phosphorus (apatite)
- ❑ Sulfuric acid - 5 parts H_2SO_4 give 3 parts H_3PO_4 in the wet extraction process
- ❑ Phosphorus products (MAP, DAP, SP, etc)
- ❑ Agro and food system - soil, food and animal feed
- ❑ Manure, excreta, solid waste



Global supply chain losses of phosphorus from mine to meal are significant



Phosphorus sustainability to be managed

□ Reduce

- Improved efficiency in mining and extraction
- Improved fertilizer use and technology
- Less consumption of meat and dairy products

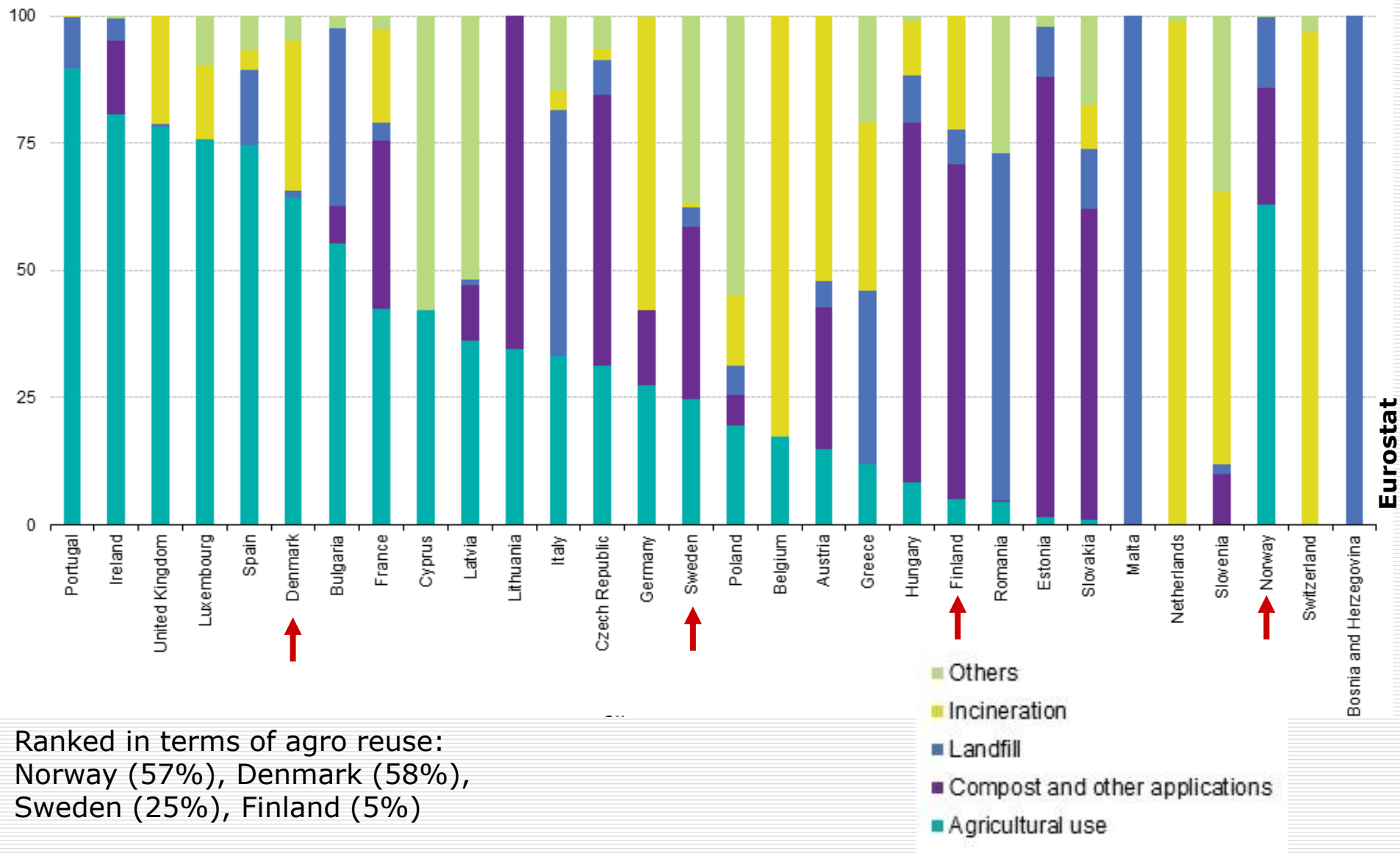
□ Recycle

- Improved recycling of food & food production wastes, sludge, manure, struvite, etc.

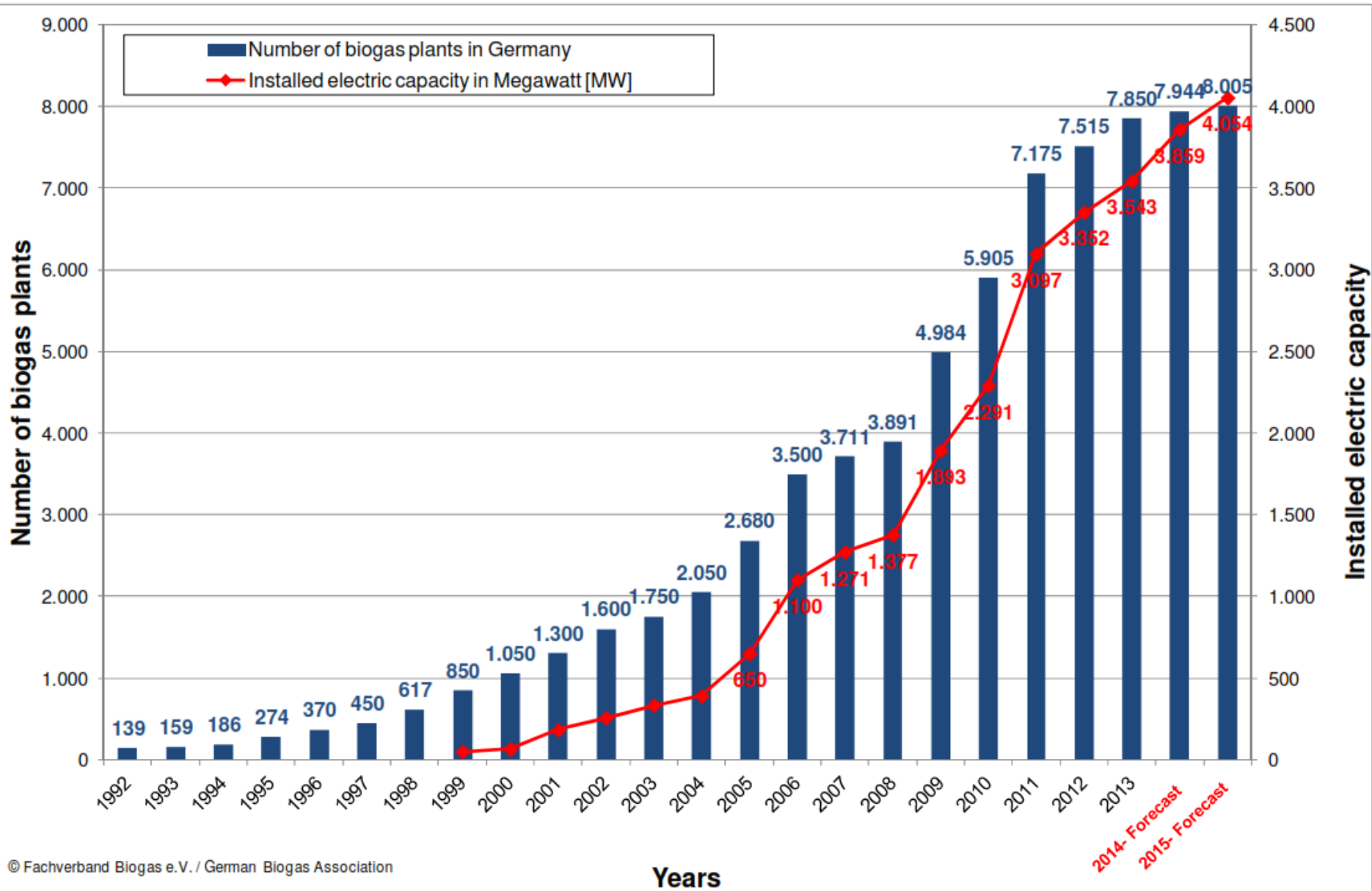
□ Economic instruments and flexible fees

- Large users to pay more tax fees than smaller users

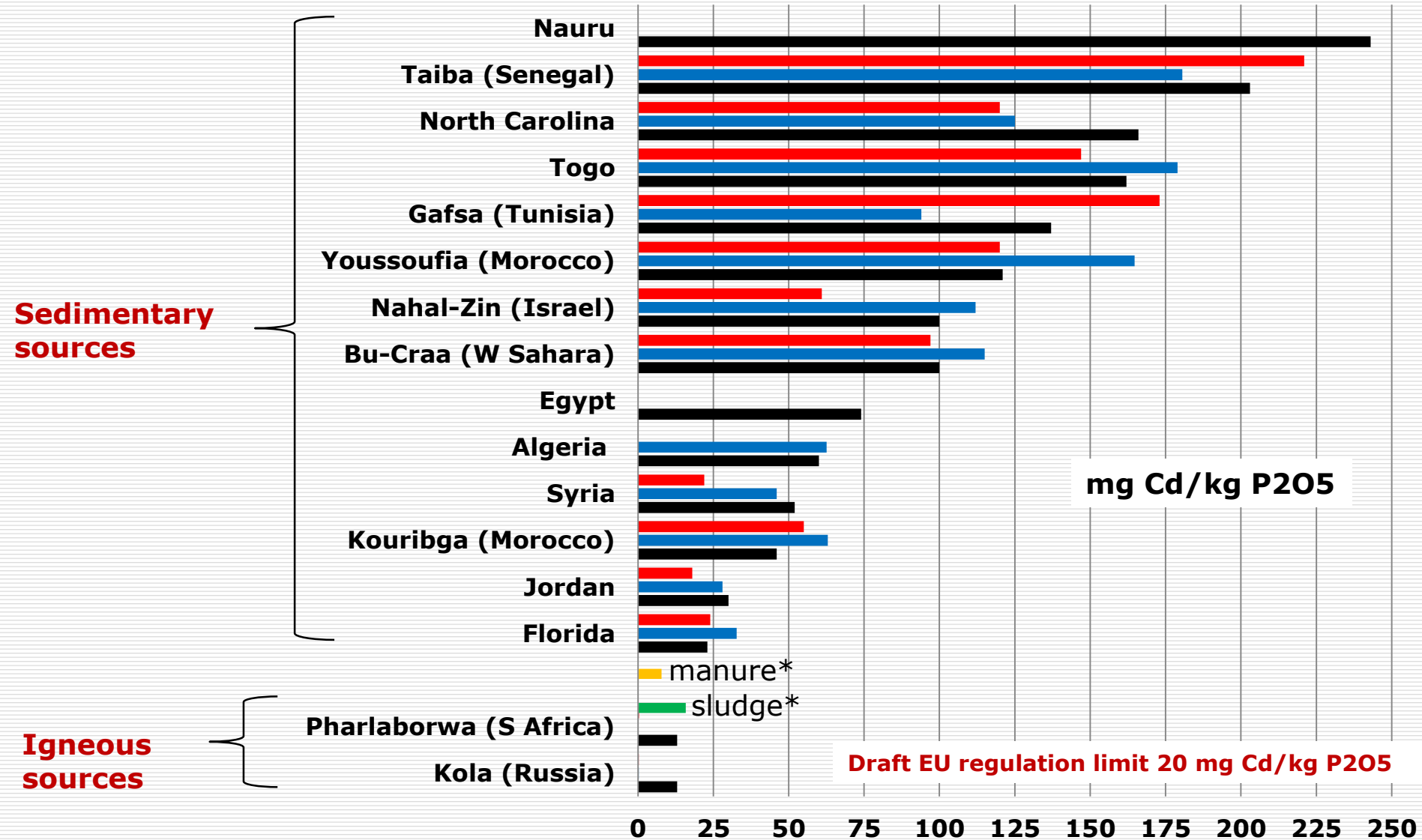
Sewage sludge disposal from urban wastewater treatment 2013 (% total mass)



Biogas plants in Germany 1992–2015

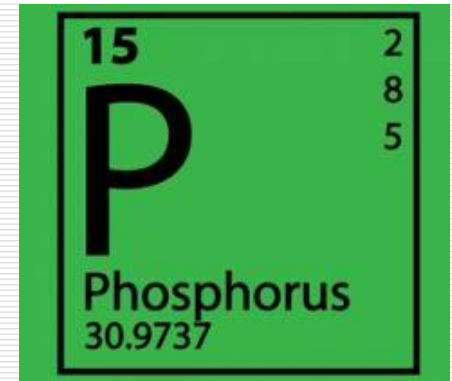


Cadmium levels in P-rock



Challenges surrounding P governance

- ❑ Common perception: Food & fertilizer have no limits – just water is limiting
- ❑ EU's mammoth agro-subsidy (1 billion Euros/wk) creates false security – now fragile
- ❑ No government will lead the dialogue – food price increases would be a political disaster
- ❑ Industry has taken a very low profile
- ❑ UN is not pro-active (P-rock)
- ❑ No geopolitical crisis yet like 1972 oil
- ❑ Duncan Brown's empty gas tank analogy still prevails – no action until we run out

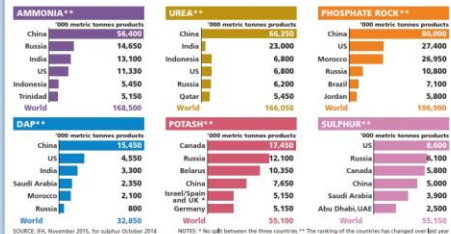


Global fertilizer trade map

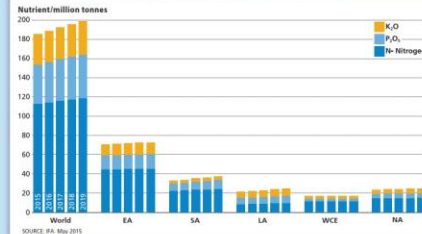
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Map produced in December 2015

WORLD MAJOR PRODUCING COUNTRIES OF FERTILIZERS AND RAW MATERIALS 2014



FERTILIZER CONSUMPTION FROM THE MAIN CONSUMING REGIONS



CONVERSION FACTORS

Nitrogen (N) $\frac{\text{Ammonia (N) / (divided by)}}{\text{Urea (N) / (divided by)}}$ 0.82
0.68

Phosphate (P₂O₅) $\frac{\text{Phosphate Rock (P}_2\text{O}_5\text{) /}}{\text{MAP (P}_2\text{O}_5\text{) /}}$ 0.30
 $\frac{\text{DAP (P}_2\text{O}_5\text{) /}}{\text{DAP (P}_2\text{O}_5\text{) /}}$ 0.68

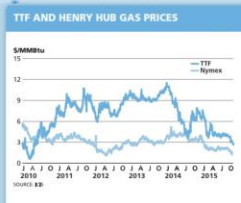
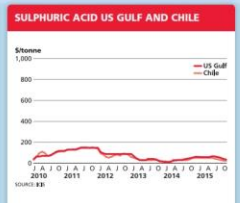
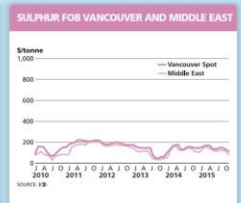
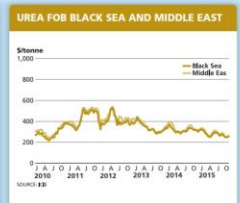
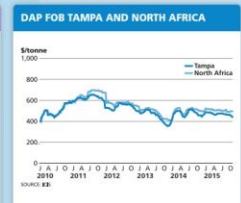
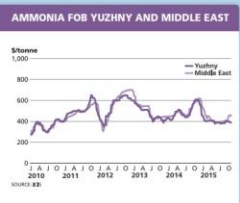
Potassium (K₂O) $\frac{\text{Potash (MOP or K}_2\text{O) /}}{\text{Potash (MOP or K}_2\text{O) /}}$ 0.80

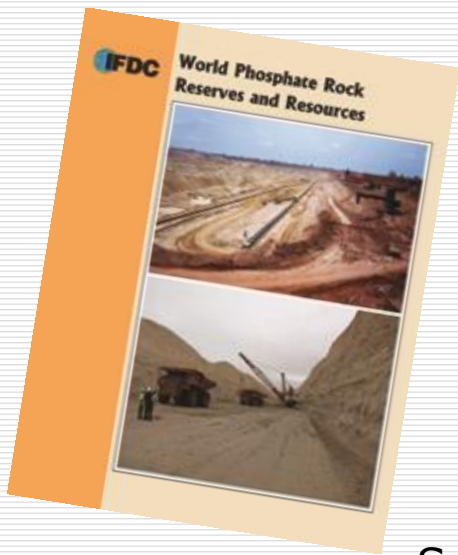
KEY

- Ammonia
- DAP
- MAP
- Phosphate Rock
- Potash
- Urea
- Sulphur
- Sulphuric Acid

The width of the arrows indicates the relative size of trade flow; the arrows' positions of origin and destination do not indicate the ports location.

Cut off tonnage for trade flows is 300,000 tonnes product
Source: IFA data 2014, for sulphur 2013 and for sulphuric acid 2012





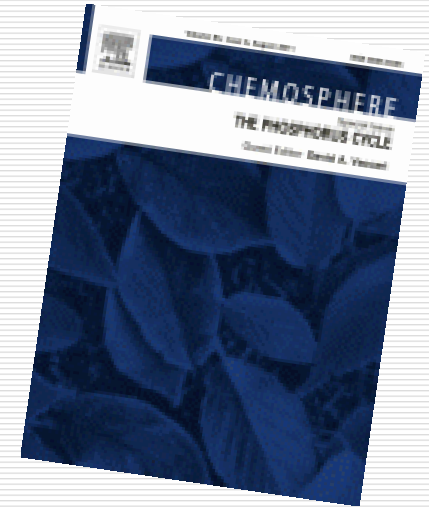
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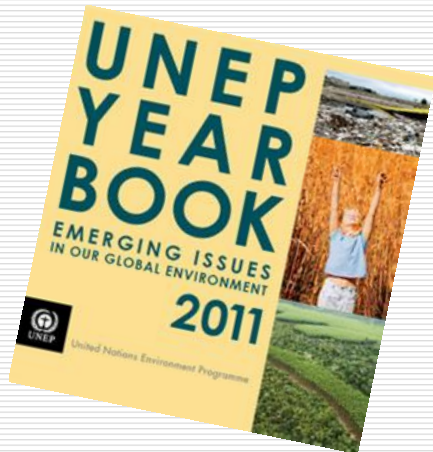
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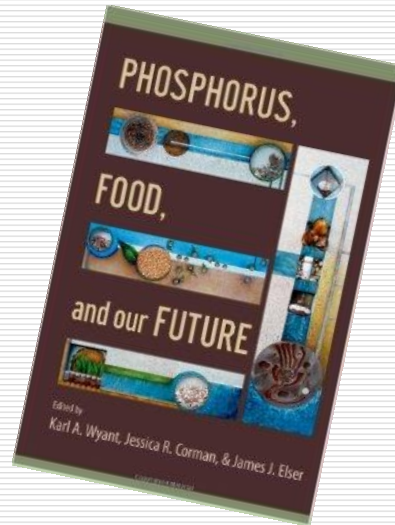
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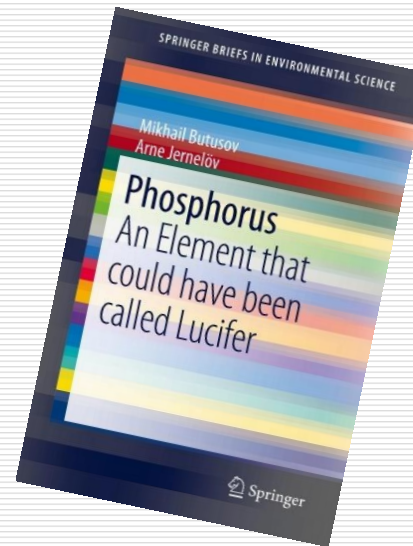
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