## Nireus Aquaculture S.A.

### **Company Presentation**



Nireus Aquaculture S.A. - Celebrating 20 Years (1988 - 2008)

3<sup>rd</sup> Greek Roadshow London, October 2008



## The Company

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#### **Nireus Aquaculture SA**

A unique investment opportunity



"But Pontos, the great sea, was father of truthful Nireus who tells no lies, eldest of his sons. They call him the Old Gentleman because he is trustworthy, and gentle, and never forgetful of what is right, but the thoughts of his mind are mild and righteous."

Hesiod, Theogony 233 ff (trans. Evelyn-White) (Greek epic C8th or C7th B.C.)



## A Growth Story – The Timeline

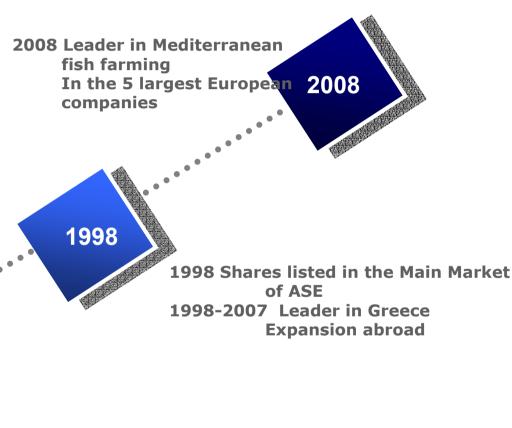
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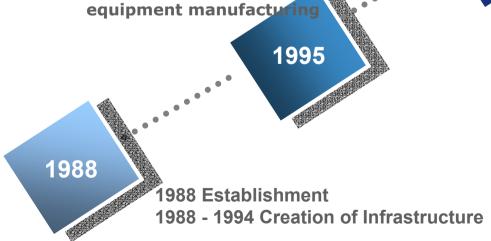
#### **Vision of the Company**

"To maintain its leading position and operate worldwide in the sector of fish farming, processed fisheries and fish feed, satisfying the needs of its customers and shareholders"

1995 Shares listed in the Parallel Market of ASE

1995-1998 Entry in fish feed and

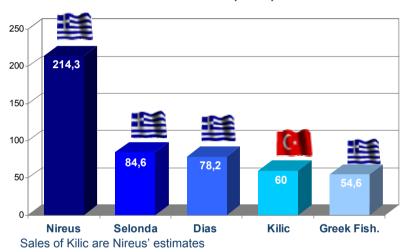






## **TODAY: 1st in Med. fish farming - 5th in Europe**

The 5 largest companies in Med. fish farming 2007 FY sales (mi. €)



- Greece is the largest country producer of Mediterranean fish
- Nireus holds the dominant position in both the domestic and the global market
  - 25% of Greek and 12% of world market in Mediterranean fish production
  - 50% of Greek and 25% of world in juvenile production
- Sales CAGR of 20% since 1997

Company	Country	2007 FY Sales (mi. €)
Marine Harvest	#	1759,1
Cermaq	#	965,2
Leroy	#	786,4
Aker	#	292
Nireus	III	214,3
Salmar		209,9
Domstein		204,6
Grieg Seafood	===	133,5
Marine Farms		91,9
Selonda	<b>±</b>	84,6



## **An International Producer**

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Vertically integrated operations ensure:

- Completely safe production conditions => less risk from disease
- Absolute control over the production cycle => lower cost



## Controlling the value chain

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#### Fish Farming

# fish cage farming units

#### **Processing**

processing

centers



16

#### Distribution



#### **PLUS**

8

hatchery

units

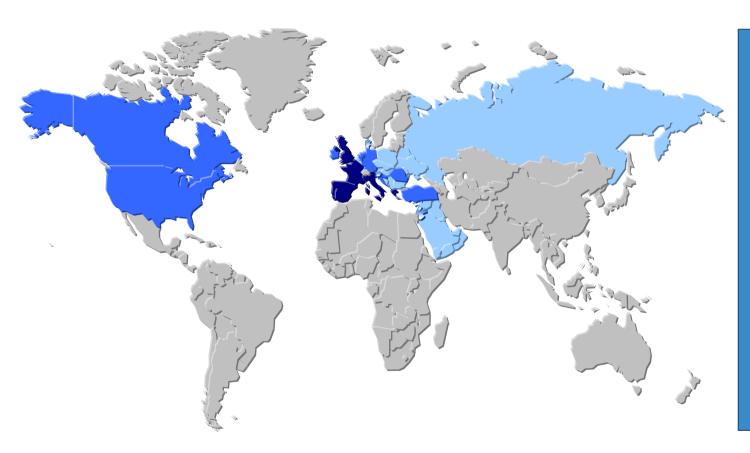
- 2 inland pre-fattening units producing 10 gram juveniles
- 2 R&D centers
- 2 Factories producing 80.000 tons of fish feed free of gmo
- 1 company producing fish cages & special nets

We sell antibiotics-free market-size fish, branded fish and fillets



## **Exporting 93% of produced fish**

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The largest exporter in the Greek food sector

Every week we ship 500 tons of seabass & seabream (= 1,25 mil. 400 gr. fish)





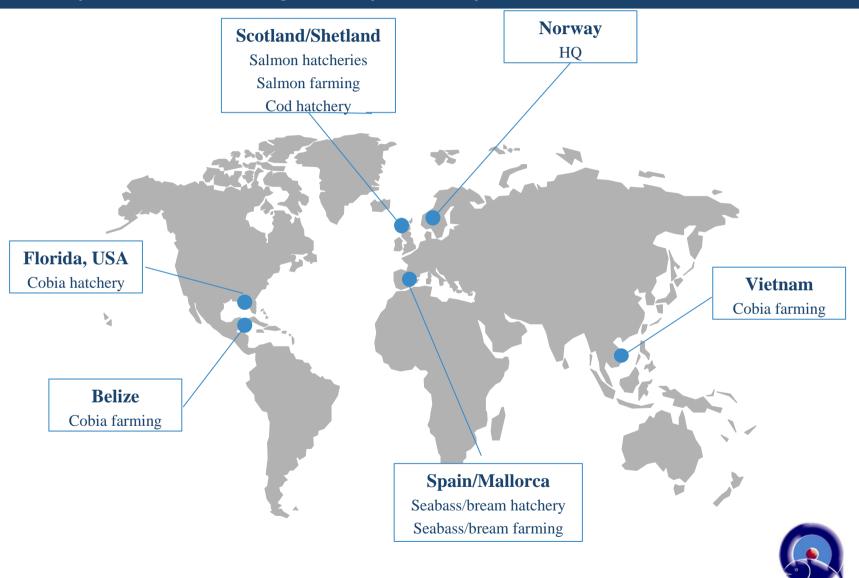
Sales > €1m



Sales < €1m



## And the largest shareholder (30,2%) in Marine Farms



## The Market

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#### **Mediterranean fish farming**

A fast growing sector in the aquaculture industry



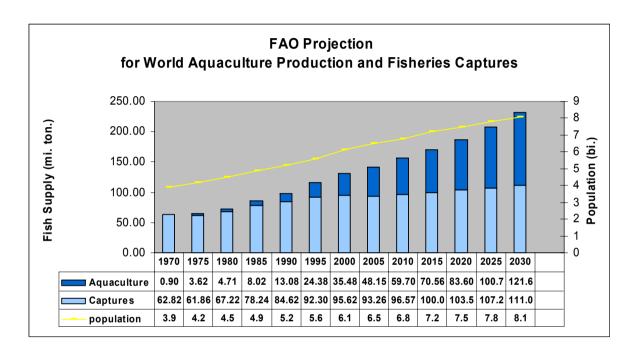
"The stormy whirlpools of Nireus."

Aristophanes, Thesmophoriazusae 825 (trans. O'Neill) (Greek comedy C5th to 4th B.C.)



## **Aquaculture Industry: Trends and Projections**

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U.S. Projected Consumption
Growth, 2000-2020

Citrus Fruit 27
Fish 26

Vegetables 20

Dairy 17

Sugar 16

Beef 15

Processed Potatoes 8

Percent Change in Quantities Consumed, 2000 - 2020

FAO: Aquaculture will serve 100% of the growing demand for seafood (fisheries circular no. 1001)

<u>USDA:</u> Fish consumption is expected to grow by 26% annually till 2020 – 2<sup>nd</sup> largest increase in the food sector (<u>USDA, ERS, 2003</u>)

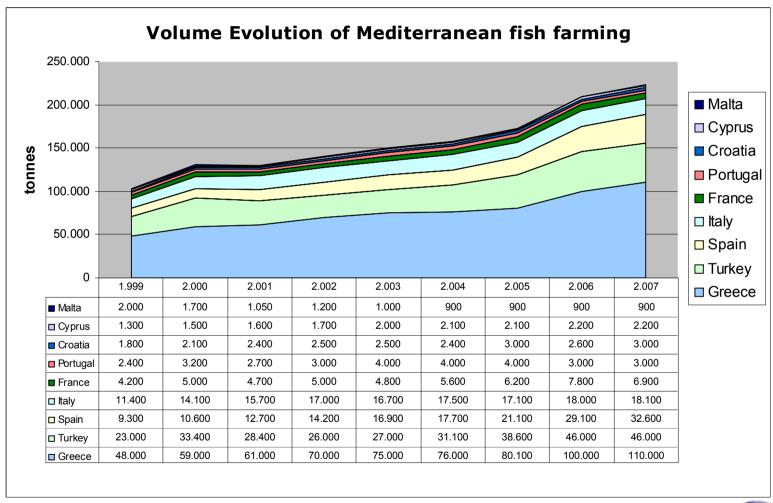
**Economist:** Fish Farming – The Blue Revolution (link)





## Med fish farming - a sector born global

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Sources: FEAP, Kontali



## With unique advantages

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#### The advantages of the multi-species cultivation

**✓Profit stability** 

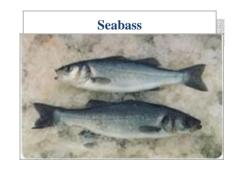
Spread the risk of price fluctuations

**√Reduced capital needs** 

Transfer and sharing of technological and biological advances

✓ Improved operating margins

Marketing synergies





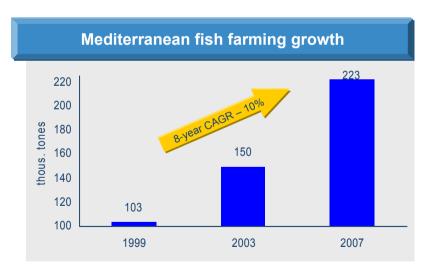


### And a market with attractive fundamentals

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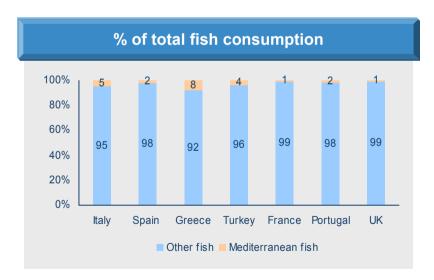
## Market for Mediterranean fish is expected to grow...

- In the recent past, consumption growth has reached record levels in many European countries
  - Europe-wide industry growth is driven by increase in consumption per capita
  - Modern nutritional habits, rich in fish as source of protein, fuel growth



#### ...reinforced by its low share in total fish sales

- Consumption of sea bass & sea bream clearly lags consumption of salmon & cod
- In no European country Mediterranean fish represents more than 10% of total fish consumption
- Current penetration rates have been achieved without well co-ordinated efforts to develop markets





## Nireus' proposition: a strong product mix

Seabass and Seabream
Fresh and frozen, whole, gutted, fillets





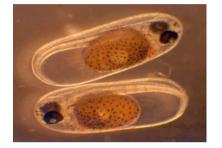








**Eggs** 



Fish feed



**Juveniles** 



**Bluefin Tuna** 







## Selling to the largest markets in Europe

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## **METRO** Group

The Spirit of Commerce





















dove c'è ristorazione



## **Our Five Drivers for Growth**

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#### **Nireus Aquaculture SA**

Growth has come from exports, new products, new markets



"Look but on the circle of the earth . . . wherever the blue waters of Nereus wind round the broad land."

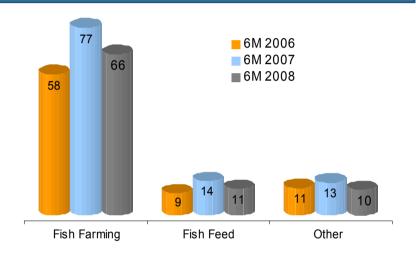
Ovid, Heroides 9. 13 ff



## 1. Diversity in products

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#### 6M Sales by Sector 2006, 2007 & 2008



The fish farming sector includes own and merchandise fish and fish-related products (juveniles, eggs)

In the other products, confectionaries were sold in Dec 2007 (H1 2007 was € 4,5 mi.)

#### A diversified product mix

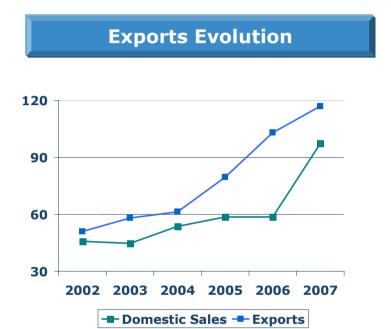
- ✓ spreads the risks of price fluctuations
- ✓ improves operating margins through marketing synergies

#### **In Fish Farming**

	6M 2006	6M 2007	6M 2008	2007	2008e
Market- size fish (thou. ton.)	10.4	13.7	12.2	26.4	25e
Aver. Price (€/kg)	4.89	4.89	4.56	4.75	4.60e
Fish Feed (thou. ton.)	10.2	14.5	11.2	45.3	32e
Aver. Price (€/kg)	0.89	0.94	0.93	0.94	0.94e
Juveniles (mi. pieces)	46.6	50.2	47	77	70e
Aver. Price (per piece)	0.20	0.20	0.22	0.20	0.21e

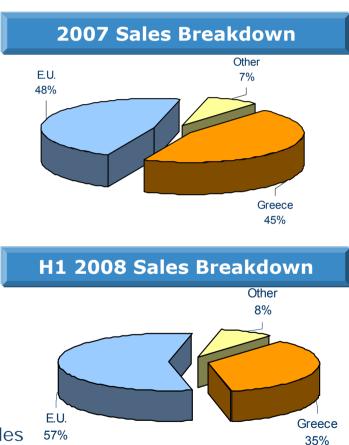


## 2. Exports





- Exports have consistently outperformed domestic sales
- #1 exporter in the Greek food sector

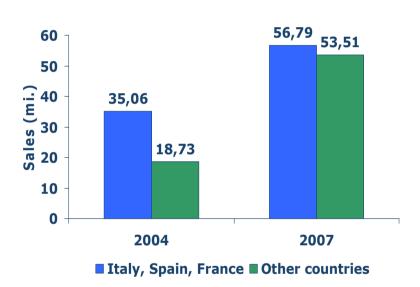




## 3. Opening of new markets

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#### **Exports Evolution**





Export Growth has come from the opening of New Markets

2004 - 2007

<u>Italy- Spain – France</u>

+ 62 % in value

Other countries

+186% in value



## 4. Ability to grow faster than the market





## 5. Unique Technological Know - How

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Targets: reduction in production time by at least 15% by 2011

•Selective eggs technology is developed in exclusive agreement with the Norwegian Institute Akvaforsk

- Unique in Mediterranean fish farming
- •Cuts production time by 15%

•Inland pre-fattening reduces winter juvenile production time up to 62%



 ✓ Transfer and sharing of technological and biological advances reduces capital needs





## Financials

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#### **Nireus Aquaculture SA**

A strong financial performer

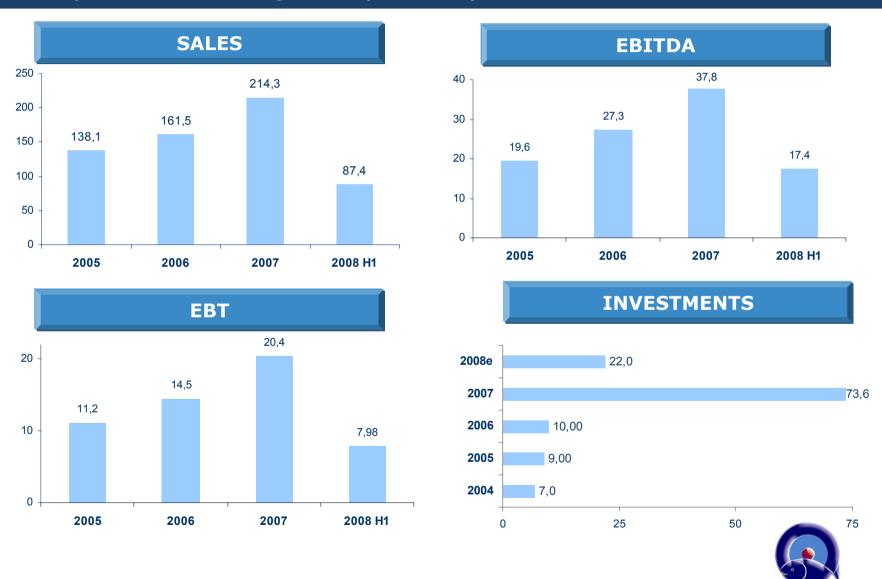


"The rule which Nireus once proclaimed, the Old Man of the Sea (Geron Halios): Even to an enemy if he is acting nobly, we should offer full-hearted praise and that most justly.""

Pindar, Pythian Ode 9. 94 ff (trans. Conway) (Greek lyric C5th B.C.)



## **Strong Financial Performance**



## **Balance Sheet**

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#### **Balance Sheet**

#### **Assets**

in mi. €	2005	2006	2007	H1 2007	H1 2008
Total non-current	110,77	150,95	221,02	210,64	264,14
Total current	150,48	188,30	308,56	232,69	250,00
Total assets	261,25	339,24	529,58	443,32	514,14

#### **Equity and liabilities**

in mi. €	2005	2006	2007	H1 2007	H1 2008
Total shareholders' equity and					
minority interests	110,23	122,19	176,12	139,71	172,92
Total non-current liabilities	72,48	101,71	151,55	113,54	214,32
Total current liabilities	78,54	115,34	201,91	190,07	126,89
Total liabilities	151,02	217,05	353,46	303,61	341,21
Total equity and liabilities	261,25	339,24	529,58	443,32	514,14









## **Income Statement**

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#### **Income Statement**

in mi. €	2005	2006	2007	H1 2007	H1 2008
Biological Sales	75,11	99,02	134,24	68,9	67,3
Non-Biological Sales	63,00	62,47	80,02	35,6	20,1
Total Sales	138,11	161,48	214,26	104,5	87,4
<b>Gain from Biological</b>	75,06	123,86	159,58	73,87	79,04
EBITDA	19,65	27,26	37,84	20,11	17,40
EBIT Operating	14,49	20,15	30,04	17,15	13,90
EBT	11,17	14,54	20,35	12,09	7,98
Tax	-3,44	-5,61	-5,42	-3,50	-3,01
EAT	7,73	8,92	14,93	8,59	4,97
Majority interest	7,46	9,05	10,36	5,33	3,92
Minority interest	0,27	-0,12	4,57	3,26	1,05
Earnings per share	0,193	0,224	0,225	0,1302	0,0762







## **Cash Flow Statement**

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#### **Cash Flow**

in mi. 6	2005	2006	2007	H1 2007	H1 2008
in mi. €	2005	2006	2007	H1 2007	HT 2008
Profit before tax	11,17	14,54	20,35	14,54	7,98
Cash flow from operating activities	-5,01	5,05	-13,71	-2,78	-21,65
Cash flow from investing activities	-6,51	-2,23	-61,08	-49,86	-13,58
cash now from investing activities	-0,31	-2,25	-01,00	-49,00	-13,38
Cash flow from financing activities	12,99	5,90	114,18	47,86	15,64
Total cash flow reporting period	1,46	8,72	39,38	-4,77	-19,59
Cash and cash equivalents at the					
beginning of the period	1,13	2,70	12,52	12,50	51,90
Cash and cash equivalents at the end					
of the period	2,59	11,41	51,90	7,73	32,32







## **Key Ratios**

in mi. €	2005	2006	2007	H1 2007	H1 2008
Operating revenues	138,11	161,48	214,26	104,54	87,42
EBITDA	19,65	27,26	37,84	20,11	17,40
EBITDA margin(%)	14%	17%	18%	19%	20%
EBT	11,17	14,54	20,35	12,09	7,98
EBT margin(%)	8%	9%	9%	12%	9%
Earnings after tax & minorities	7,73	8,92	14,93	8,59	4,97
Earnings per share	0,193	0,224	0,225	0,1302	0,0762
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## We have improved our profit margins despite the rising raw material prices

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#### **OPERATING MARGIN (%)**



#### **NYMEX Oil weekly**



#### **CBOT Corn monthly**





#### **CBOT Soybean Oil weekly**



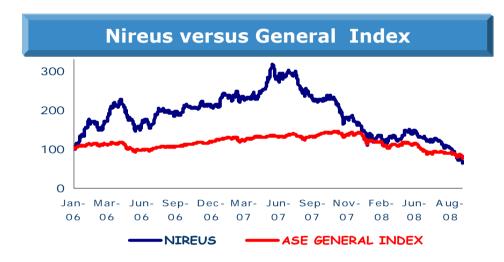
In H1 2008 all external costs remained at higher levels versus H1 2007



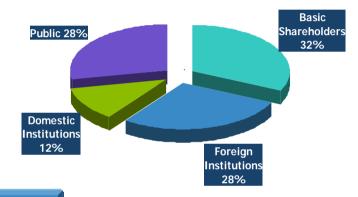
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## **Stock Market Performance**

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#### **Shareholders structure**



#### **Overview of Nireus Stock**

Price (€) 30.09.2008	1,12
Number of shares (mi.)	51,5
Market cap (mi €)	57,7
High 52 weeks (€)	4,16
Low 52 weeks (€)	1,10
Bloomberg Ticker	NIR:GA
Reuters Ticker	NIRr.AT
ASE Ticker	NHP
ASE Sector	Agriculture & Fisheries
Index Participation	GD, FTSEA, FTSEI,
	EPS 50, DTP, SAGD



## 2008 - 2011 Targets

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Targeting Growth in A Fast Changing Environment



"They [the Argonauts] urged Jason to kill the best of their sheep and hold it out to the god with words of praise. Iason hastily selected one, lifted it up, and killed it over the stern, praying in these words: `God of the sea, you that appeared to us on the shores of these waters, whether the Ladies of the Brine know you as that sea-wonder Triton, or as Phorkys, or as Nireus, be gracious and grant us the happy return we desire."



## **Outlook: Rising demand for Med fish**

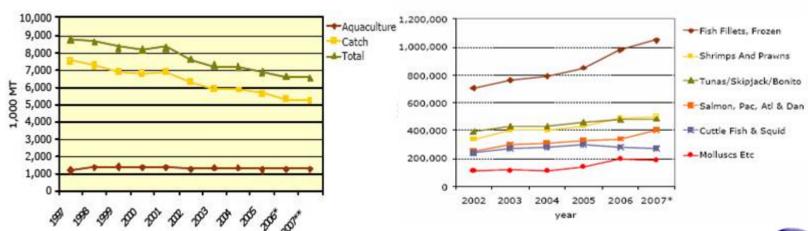
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#### Demand for Mediterranean farmed fish is expected to grow

- EU is a net importer for fish between 2002 and 2007 the fish trade deficit grew by 40% (+1 mi. MT)
- Growth in European aquaculture will mainly come from the Mediterranean countries (seabass and seabream)
- Greece is the fastest growing producer country in the EU

#### **Total Fish Production EU, 2002 - 2007**

#### **EU Fish Imports per Specie, 2002-2007**





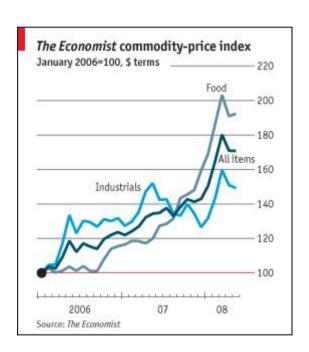
Source: USDA GAIN report Marketing Fish the EU, Report NL8009, May 2008

## Challenge: Managing growth in a fast changing environment

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#### Whereas the markets change faster and become more complex

- Growth in global population, rising demand from emerging economies and a growing demand for healthy foods has boosted demand for healthy fish
- Wild fish stock is gradually depleting fish farming provides a safe, sustainable alternative
- Scarcity in raw materials boosted by demand from emerging economies and biofuels – has led to an increase in raw material prices
- Farmed fish prices have not followed the increase in food prices
- Eventually all costs are reduced through the use of technology or increases are passed to consumers – with varying delays
- And the least cost producers with the highest volumes thrive



Source: <u>The Economist commodity-price index, May 2008</u>



## Our 2008-2011 strategy: Rebalancing Growth

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Reduction in production time by 15%

Less working capital needs
Improved FCR

**Increase in volume Production clustering** 

Reduction of the operating costs per kg

Production close to big markets

Emphasis on value added products

Higher prices+ better gross margins

**Increase in products offered** 



**Customer loyalty** 

+ margin stability

**Use of Nireus group size effect** 



Improvement in sourcing



## In Summary, Nireus is

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#### **A Unique Value Proposition**

- 1. Attractive Market Fundamentals
- 2. Worldwide leading position in Mediterranean fish
- 3. Vertically Integrated Operations
- 4. Experienced Management
- **5. Strong Financial Performance**

#### **With Unique Assets**

- 1. Know the Med farming business
- 2. Diversified and integrated product mix
- 3. Exclusive Technology / Biology
- 4. Proven Success in internal growth and absorption of other companies
- 5. A dedicated work force

Well positioned to capture opportunities in the global industry



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