

# The Italian Ceramic Tile "Good Phytosanitary Practices" Program

## GPP an evolving program

#### 1) Participating companies:

- the GPP is oriented towards the widest participation: -
  - since 2016 it is open to non member companies;
  - since 2016 also the **logistic operators** can be qualified

#### 2) The Guidelines:

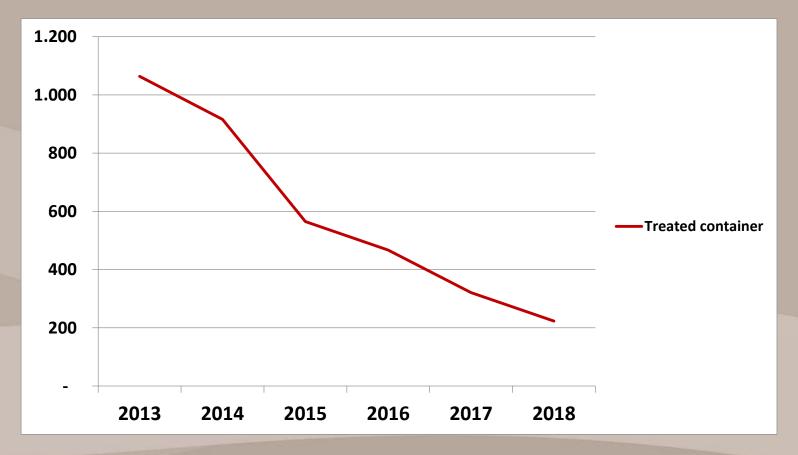
 they have been updated in 2017, including the same checklist for the execution of the audits, to better help the participants to put in practice the actions required







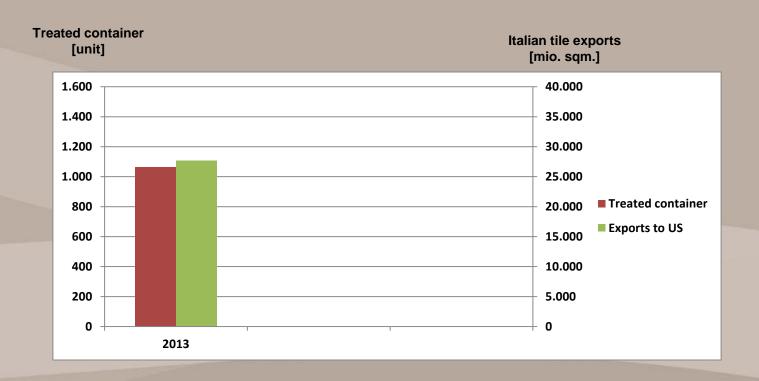
#### Treated container – Trend 2013-2018



Year	2013	2018	% change
Treated container	1.064	223	-79%

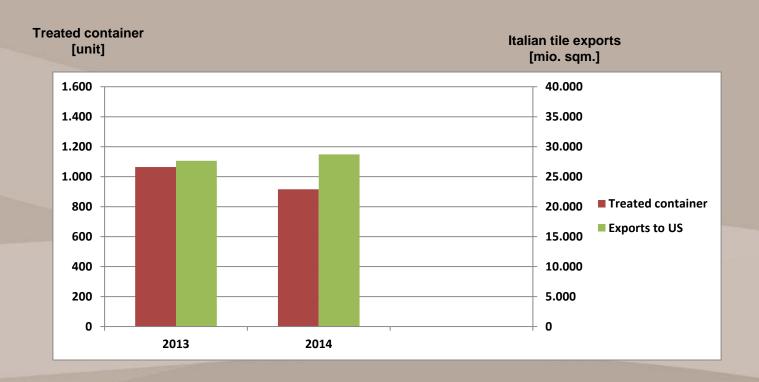


#### Situation in 2013: before the GPP program



Number of GPP NO GPP qualified companies/brands:

#### Comparison 2013 – 2014 (start of the GPP Program)

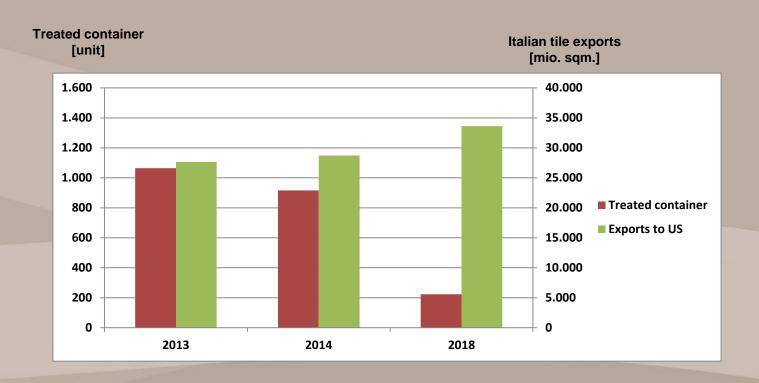


Number of GPP qualified companies/brands:

93

**NO GPP** 

#### Comparison 2013 - 2018 (4 years of the GPP Program)



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135

#### Some remarks

- International trade cannot be stopped: customers buy either local, or foreign goods, according to their interests and choices
- The ceramic tile industrial production process is the same all over the world: just in time production is not possible
- The GPP Program is a new <u>sustainable way to</u> <u>safeguard both the environment and international trade</u>
- The GPP model could be extended to companies of other countries and expanded beyond the ceramic sector



### Some recommendations

- Promote <u>cooperation</u> among the companies <u>in the</u> <u>logistic chain</u> and with the <u>stakeholders</u>
- Provide <u>prompt information</u> about the emerging problems
- Identify responsibilities of each party in the logistic chain
- Encourage the implementation of phytosanitary <u>prevention programs by other countries</u>: not just a drop in the bucket...
- Introduce <u>rewarding policies</u>

## Thank you

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