Packaging initiatives within Fresh dairy for sustainable packaging while also creating product differentiation.

**Session abstract:** Environmental Goals Packaging adaptions Case study 1 & 2

#### Arla Foods in a nutshell



## Arla Foods Environmental strategy 2020



#### Sustainable milk production

- ✓ Arla Foods strategi för hållbar mjölkproduktion
- ✓ Ansvarsfulla inköp av risk-råvaror (soja, palmolja och kakao)



#### Climate

✓ -25% greenhouse gas emissions from dairies, transports and packaging, comp 2005

Today

-15%

GHG.

10% left!

✓ -30% greenhouse gas per kilo milk in an Arlafarm, comp 1990



#### **Energy & water**

- ✓ Energiy- and water efficiency improvement by 3% yearly
- ✓ 50% of energy usage from renewable resources

#### No waste ✓ No wast

- ✓ No waste from production facilities
- ✓ Recyclable packaging
- ✓ Reduce by 50% foodwase in the food chain incl consumers part



## Clear targets when it comes to packaging

Greenhouse gases reduced by 25% and recyclable to be 100%.





#### **Consumers connect Arla with organic and sustainability** Arla EKO is positioned at the top when it comes to environmental responsibility

#### What do consumers think Arla is good at?

- 1. Organic products
- 2. Local / small producers with geographic spread
- 3. Marketing with focus on sustainability
- 4. Environmental innovation
- 5. Recyclable & environmental packaging



Arla EKO drives a more sustainable profile than the total Arla Brand..



## Arla organic 2017



80+ organic products 58% market share in organic dairy



410 organic Arla farms Total of 2800 Arla farms



Arla no 1 globally in organic dairy



#### Packaging affects choices in store & 48% have resisted buying



# Differentiate and vitalize to inspire and attract new and old consumers & retailers









First in Sweden



## Först i Sverige med den grönaste förpackningen

Den nya gröna förpackningen är snällare mot naturen då den **minskar klimatpåverkan med 24 %!** Vi har helt enkelt **avlägsnat näst yttersta skiktet** på förpackningen. Därav den bruna färgen!



Källa: Ekologiskt intryck fokusgrupper 2017

# 24% reduced carbon footprint from carton are obtained through:

#### **NO BLEACHING IN THE PROCESS**

- no bleaching reduces the energy and chemical consumption
- Less fibers needed to obtain the same stiffness value (bleaching tend to soften the fibers)
- better yield

#### **CLAY COAT LAYER GONE**

- saves raw-materials
- avoids production and use of some chemicals
- reduces weight by 3%









### Then when the news is good – invest in broad media – OOH...



# Instore campaigns to democratize organic – organic at the same price during 2 weeks





## Strong consumer trend for environmental packaging

All our 2 dl packaging are changed into new paper cups. Climate impact is half!







## Saving 100.000 kg PS film (4 g / cup)



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### **Climate impact from an LCA-perspective of Arla products** Packaging has a minor impact

#### Total greenhouse gas emissions from cow to consumer



- Packaging contributes with less than 10 % of the total greenhouse gas emissions of Arla products, with a variation between different categories
  - Milk (3,3%)
  - Crème fraiche (7,6%)
  - Cottage Cheese (8,6%)
  - Butter (3,5%)
  - Yellow Cheese (0,3%) etc.



<sup>(</sup>Source: Flysjö, 2012)

## Work stream for reduced CO2 foot print and recylcability

- 1. 100% packaging recyclability, e.g materials suitable for recycling, technically and commercially
- 2. Use more recycled materials in packaging
- 3. Use more bio-based based materials / plastics
- 4. Explore new sustainable materials and packaging solutions
- 5. Design packaging for reduced food waste



#### **Packaging Star** A holistic comparison of environmental impact



Renewable materials: **Good** produced from 95% renewable resources

Low CO2 Good less than x g CO2 pr Kg product. (A milk carton 30 g CO2e, which is considered very low.)

Recyclable waste Good the packaging is graded "High" for recycling collection

Easy to empty **Good** The packaging and the product fit each other. Food waste is eliminated.

Recycled content

**Good** the packaging is made from minimum xx% of recycled materials



#### **Proportion of different types of plastics that are collected** FTI statistics for 2016 (weight %)





## Packaging recyclability

**Current status** 



Worse

**Better** 



## **Overview of Packaging material Carbon Footprint**

Packaging Material	ton CO2eq per ton material
LDPE (film)	2,2
PP (inj. moulded)	2,5
HDPE virgin (inj. moulded)	2,3
HDPE recycled	1,4
PS (thermoformed)	2,8
PET virgin (film)	3,3
PET recycled	0,8
PA (nylon film)	9,8
EVOH (film)	7,7
Cartons for Milk	0,9
Paper	0,9
Corrugated cardboard	0,9
Glass	0,9
Steel	2,1
Aluminum (foil)	9,4



### Food waste related to packaging No quantification of food waste

- No quantification of the food left in packaging due to e.g. sticky products, unsuitable shapes etc.
- Some Arla-initiatives to address packaging related food waste:
  - Offering consumers different packaging size (all markets)
  - Yoghurt packaging with separable top to facilitate emptying of product and packaging material recycling (SE and DK)
  - Packaging designed to fold and empty easily (NL)





#### Arla SE initiatives for reducing CO2 footprint from packaging





#### 2060 ton CO2e Like going go to Thailand and back 824 times each year



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