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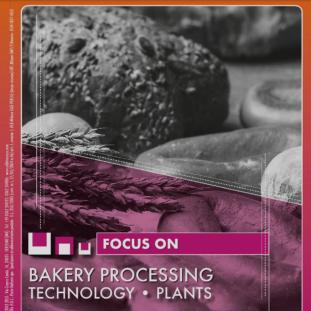


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Safety, quality, product shelf life, sustainability, cost-effectiveness, and consumer preferences: in the food sector, technologies align with these concepts and serve as the cornerstone to ensure the best business results and to address the major cultural, social, and environmental changes that we are all called upon to respond to. Food is tradition, ancient art, wisdom passed down from generation to generation. But today, more than ever, it is also a capability for innovation, ongoing research, and a response to market needs and opportunities.

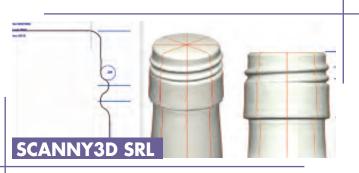
Consider cultivated meat, which will soon be a reality on our tables, as well as the entire plant-based food trend, including fake meat, and new ingredients derived from insects, along with increasingly faster and more efficient production processes. The future is just a step away. Let's walk towards it fearlessly, knowing that once again the market will be fully capable of meeting the challenges.



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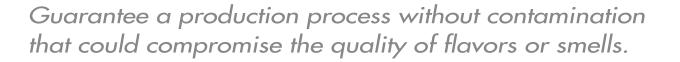
or thousands of years, man has been dedicating himself to the preparation of food, not only to satisfy the taste and the sense of smell, but also to provide a certain aesthetic pleasure to those who receive it.

All food has always been combined with spices and other organic substances to change its taste, smell and appearance.

But not only that, colours and flavours are also used to create perfumes for the body or to make the use of otherwise anonymous substances or products more pleasant.

Colours and flavours in powder form have always been necessary in both the private and industrial circle for the preparation of foods, fragrances







and other chemical and non-chemical products that present themselves to our sensory organs. It is therefore essential for companies to be able to produce these substances in full compliance with the natural features that are intrinsic in the ingredients used, with the aim of giving pleasure to end users.

It is also essential, especially in this sector, to be able to guarantee a production process where there is no contamination that could compromise the quality of flavours or smells.

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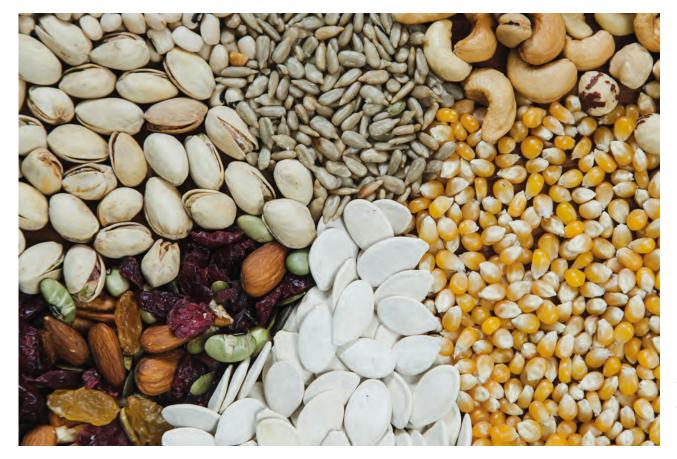
GREEN PUSH, PLANT-BASED FOOD, AND THE CONSCIOUS CONSUMER: WHAT CHANGES FOR COMPANIES 99

We clearly see the major changes that consumers are demanding from companies. In a market increasingly leaning towards sustainability, some trends that were previously niche are now gaining traction. Among these, the plant-based revolution, the need for transparency, and the focus on waste reduction.

limate Change and Consumer Awareness

Climate change, the greenhouse effect, an ever-growing global population, and a planet already in resource deficit by July: these concepts, once reserved for experts, are now common knowledge. The awareness that our consumption patterns are unsustainable is a fact for many. Information, or rather accurate information, holds great power.





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Hence, dietary choices that were previously limited to smaller groups, often motivated by ideological stances, are now finding broader acceptance.

The market is revealing unexpected needs, and companies must adapt to continue thriving. In the food sector, people now talk about a "smart era of food processing," focused on safety, shorter and traceable supply chains, and direct-to-consumer sales models. A new vision emerges, grounded in an essential idea: sustainability.

The "Products" of Sustainability

There is a definite consumer-driven, green-oriented push, and companies are vocally responding. Sustainability has become the keyword underpinning all corporate communications.

However, how this concept is shifting consumer mindset and behavior has not been fully explored. It is undeniable that a desire for sustainable and conscious choices is not just an origin but a daily driving force. Starting from the end-waste: the food sector accounts for about a quarter of the world's greenhouse gas emissions, a significant portion of which is due to waste. Reducing this waste has become urgent for both consumers and companies.

Solutions are being sought in terms of production processes, ecological footprint analysis, and improved, longer-lasting packaging.

Plant-Based Food

Awareness of health impacts and ecological footprints of our food choices is steering consumers towards different consumption patterns.

The focus is primarily on plant-based foods-completely vegetarian and free from animal products. According to a recent study, approximately 22 million Italians consume them regularly, and two-thirds have them at least once a month, while one in four does so at least once a week. The average growth has neared 3%, with particular attention towards "fake meat."

Several factors are driving consumers in this direction. First, there's an increasing focus on health, with consumers cutting back on animal products to combat high cholesterol and other health issues. It's not a fad but a rediscovery of traditional diets rich in vegetables, grains, and legumes. Moreover, plant-based foods are also chosen for taste and convenience: a little goes a long way to complete a meal. Leading the Italian market are plant-based burgers and ready meals, recording an 11.7% increase, followed by ice creams and desserts (2.6%), and plant-based beverages (0.4%).

New Consumption, New Technologies

If plant-based products are a revisitation of ancient culinary traditions, they also require innovative production processes that guarantee safety, taste, accessibility, affordability, and sustainability. Concerns that these products consume a lot of water and produce large amounts of carbon dioxide have been dispelled; they actually have a reduced environmental impact. There remains, however, a high demand for attention to climate impact, local communities, workers' rights, and production processes. In making agricultural production smarter, key roles are played by sensors, data analytics, predictive models using machine learning and artificial intelligence, and blockchain. Also, digital technologies can be leveraged to make smarter, more retail-friendly food packaging, focusing on extending shelf life and reducing waste—a significant consumer concern, as proven by the huge success of apps like "Too Good To Go."

The keyword for the food industry is ultimately upcycling, transforming waste materials through collaborations that reuse byproducts in other supply chains, turning unused parts of plants into derivative products with strong health benefits, like enzymes, fibers, and extracts. These partnerships will undoubtedly lead to new business models. The change is self-perpetuating; what remains is to find the right direction.



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"POWDER PROCESSING and FLUID PROCESSING simply belong together"

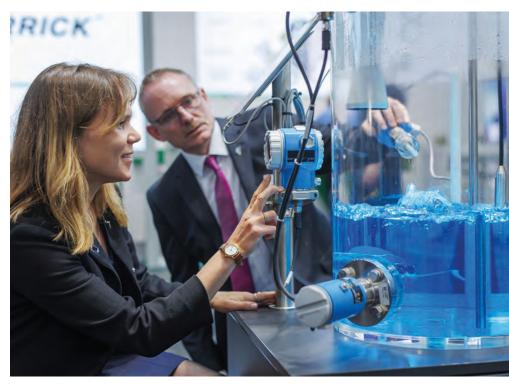
POWTECH 2023 is launching with a new tagline. Heike Slotta, Executive Director Exhibitions, explains why "Processing of Bulk Solids" on its own has not accurately reflected the focus of the trade fair for some time now. For most experts in process engineering, the integrated processing of powders, fluids and liquids is part of their day-to-day business.

The new tagline deliberately focuses on project managers, production heads, and also process and product developers in the sectors that the visitors to POWTECH represent. All can benefit from the official expansion to the range of products and services.

Many visitors associate "Processing systems for powder and bulk solids" with the trade fair name POWTECH. The trade fair is now repositioning itself as the "International Processing Trade Fair for Powder, Bulk Solids, Fluids and Liquids". Is POW-TECH now dedicating itself to entirely new topics?

Slotta: Let me put it this way: We are taking the range of topics that POW-TECH has been covering for a long time and working them into our communications.

Dealing with liquids has complemented the POWTECH topics of powder and bulk solids processing for decades. Many of our exhibitors not only offer individual plant components but also entire solutions and plants. And these often include systems for transporting liquids or for mixing materials in various aggregate states. In this



regard, POWTECH has never ruled out processes involving liquids.

For example, a supplier of nozzle and dosing systems provides the very components that can turn a container with an agitator into a coating system.

Powder processing, bulk solid processing and fluid processing simply belong together. We are thus making it clear for visitors who have an interest in spray granulation, pulvo-drying or powder dispersion in liquid that they have come to the right place at POWTECH.

Which sectors benefit most from this repositioning?

Slotta: The sectors with the highest visitor numbers at POWTECH are the food and feed industry and the pharmaceutical/chemical industry. But of course, as a technology fair, POWTECH appeals to a large number of sectors. Experts from all kinds of industries would welcome a larger range of products and services for the combination of powder and liquid processing.

The chemical industry, which includes dyes and detergents every bit as much as fertilizers or base chemicals such as sulphur, inherently brings together all possible process technologies. In the plastic manufacturing process, melting and granulation turn large solid components and additives into master batches.

Slurries, which play a role in battery manufacture as well as in the production of oat drinks and chocolate spreads, for example, are created using a combination of process technologies for solids and fluids. And even in the building and non-metallic





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mineral sector, concrete is sometimes coloured using liquid dye.

But in my view, two sectors will benefit in particular: the cosmetic and the pharmaceutical industries. Make-up foundations and eyeshadow make use of a combination of liquid, paste and solid products. Formulas for medications also often contain raw materials in powder and liquid form. Thus, for example, the properties of many tablets are perfectly achieved only with a combination of spraying, mixing and drying during the filmcoating stage.

Will POWTECH also deal with beverage technology in the future?

Slotta: Although the beverage sector is part of the food industry, it is not expressly at the heart of POWTECH's agenda. But exhibitors at POW-TECH can still apply their innovative solutions to respond to specific problems from beverage production.

After all, bulk solids are often among the raw materials used in beverage production, and the end product is sometimes made available in powdered form. Think of soft drinks, juices or liquid foods. Flavouring agents, sweeteners, stabilizers and thickeners in powder form are used in their manufacture. And these mixtures are sometimes liquefied again at the end of the manufacturing process. Likewise, the growing market for cold, ready-to-drink coffees calls for a combination of fluid and powder processing. Innovative technology from POWTECH exhibitors can make the mixing of all kinds of powdered raw materials and liquids much more efficient. Not only beverage producers but also plant manufacturers in this sector can benefit from a visit to POWTECH.

To sum up, you could say that POWTECH is the technology trade fair for everyone involved in processing and analysing powders and solids in the product manufacturing process. Regardless of whether the raw materials or end products are in powdered, solid, paste or liquid form.

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The sensitivity to anticipate market needs and the ability to adapt the production to customer's demand have made Violi Srl a serious and reliable partner, fostering the fidelity and trust of many customers at both national and international level. Violi's technologically advanced divisions offers a range of standard or customized machinery, in order to meet the highest requests of the public and to appraise the competence of each production cycle.

The use of new technologies allows to periodically check and analyze the production processes in order to maximize the quality and reliability of the machines.

As we all know the metal market fluctuates with the supply and demand of pure metal in the manufacturing industries. With the fast economy development of foreign growing countries the recycling and metal chip processing is more important than ever.

Environmental policies developed by governments of various countries according to EU directives and similar push the industries toward investments in equipment designed for the purpose above mentioned, helping them to bring significant economies of scale and develop an awareness of the savings. Recovery of precious















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metals from industrial waste or recycling of used and obsolete materials is a key issue in the production cycle of companies operating in different sectors such as the RAEE sector; the goldsmith industry is just one of the macro sectors in which the regulated disposal of waste is necessary.

In fact, the intrinsic value of the treated waste is extremely high due to the presence of precious metals that must be recovered through a process that maximizes the yield.

Thanks to its know-how applied to the production cycles, Violi srl has developed a range of equipment that allow to simply and effectively treat wastes and to recover precious metals, according to the latest environmental and politics regulations.

Thanks to more than twenty years of experience in the national and international jewellery industry, Violi srl developed a line of "eco-friendly" equipment that allows to easy recover metals from the components of electronic cards.

In the first step, a patented machine for splitting components allows to separate components from electronic cards by using controlled heat process and mechanic action.





Through the selection of the components, elements that do not contain precious metals are removed (such as batteries, condensers, copper, aluminum, plastic pieces, etc); the others are crushed and then melted.

The result of the process is an alloy ingot composed by all precious and non-precious metals.

The process is easily and efficiently carried out, in perfect safety during all steps, and can be provided with different automations.

The automatic and manual crushing mills series MA and P designed by Violi Srl are used to crush and pulverize slags and ashes resulting from carbonization of goldsmith residues. The process is automatic and continuous.

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residues (which cannot be pulverized) through a stainless steel net.

The powders obtained by the mill should be mixed in order to obtain homogeneous products ready to be analyzed so as to determine the amount of precious and noble metals they contain.

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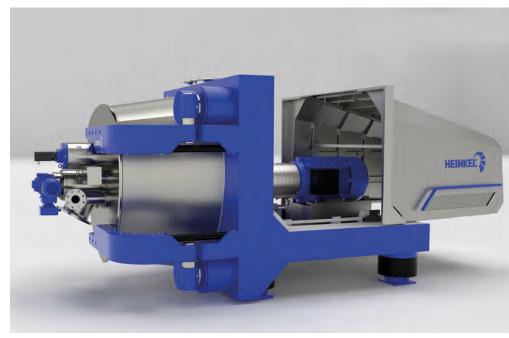


HEINKEL: presents newly developed BLUETECTOR[®] peeler centrifuge at POWTECH 2023

ith the new BLUETEC-TOR® machine generation, HEINKEL is introducing a peeler centrifuge with state-of-the-art process technology at POWTECH 2023, which has also been optimised from an ecological point of view. The industry specialist, which is also ISO 14001 certified, is thus meeting the increasing demands for environmentally friendly and energy-efficient solutions. At reduced energy consumption, the peeler centrifuge offers both maximum flexibility in processing a wide range of solids as well as excellent performance and product quality.

The user benefits from a possible energy saving of 50,000 kWh per year with the BLUETECTOR® peeler centrifuge. This is achieved by innovative, only electric drive concepts, reducing friction losses to a minimum while at the same time providing maximum flexibility. The drum drive is considerably more ecological and economical thanks to an optimised electric motor without belt drive. In combination with other electric drives, the concept ensures environmentally friendly processes in hazardous areas up to ATEX zone 1. The new BLUETEC-TOR[®] machine generation convinces with clean machine areas without hydraulic oil and drive belts.

The new BLUETECTOR® peeler centrifuge also achieves savings of up to 35 percent in terms of the amount of cleaning liquid. The cleaning with integrated CIP system runs fully automatically and requires a low flooding volume due to the patented housing shape. As a result, the BLUETECTOR® peeler centrifuge not only requires





less cleaning liquid, but also correspondingly less filling time, which helps saving energy and reducing batch times.

The patented and optimised housing design enables simple filtrate drainage through the rear wall without any additional guidance for the liquid, thus additionally increasing the efficiency of the processes.

The fully electric discharge process offers varible settings for a wide range of solids, also ensuring shorter batch times due to the improved process control. The slidable machine cover reduces noise emissions and increases cleanliness of the technical area as well as ease of maintenance.

With its new generation of machines, HEINKEL has succeeded in integrating professional design into the product development process.

The BLUETECTOR® peeler centrifuge received the "Special Mention" award at the renowned international Design Award Baden-Württemberg, known as "Focus Open", thus confirming the product development in international comparison.

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MANAGING FOOD INGREDIENTS by increasing QUALITY Virto-Cuccolini's mission in the food sector

afety, control, fineness degree, new products selection: those are the keywords summarising Virto-Cuccolini's support to the food industry. With the adoption of sieving technology from ceramic industry, a sector being characterized by highly challenging resistance and sieving efficiency requirements, in recent years, Virto-Cuccolini has stood out also in the lively and miscellaneous food industry, constant source for new ways to exceed sieving performances.

As a reliable supplier for most important food industries, the very core of Virto-Cuccolini's mission is all about the quality that careful and precise sieving can add to the various ingredients used to prepare foodstuff, with continuously improving features.

As examples we can take the many sieves supplied for hazelnut grains installed at important global players of the chocolate sector, where it is important to guarantee repeatability in final product configuration, regardless of its production site; Powder milk screening that efficaciously removes residues and lumps (unsuitable for the following mixing or processing stages), despite of the fats that tend to clog the mesh; Sugar – granulated and icing – also benefits from Virto-Cuccolini circular vibrating screens, which enable easier and more efficient cleaning operations thanks to simple machine construction: a particularly recognised advantage for medium productions that need to constantly control the effects of potential contamination due to frequent product change.









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Separation through vibrating screens is an excellent solution also in case of production tailings recovery, for example in pasta and bread production, and for any other product whose look represents a quality feature. In this case, Virto-Cuccolini vibrating screens emerge as a fundamental support for recycling operations and to select new products from waste, in a circular economy viewpoint in which both environment and finance are getting advantages.

Virto-Cuccolini's experience has been developing progressively over time by assisting customers across the globe, and it grows along with not only the new challenges the food industry regularly deals with, but also the innovation input from other industrial sectors, which Virto-Cuccolini serves with the same or similar technology.

The company's test workshop in Reggio Emilia is always ready to control the capacity and granulometry performance of Virto-Cuccolini vibrating screens.

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⁶⁶ PROTEIN ALTERNATIVES: HOW PLANTS BECOME ARTIFICIAL MEAT

Alternative proteins are one of the trend topics in machinery and plant engineering in the food industry, and thus also at POVVTECH. But how are they actually produced? And what challenges do product developers and machine designers face? A short deep dive into a fascinating technology segment.

othing works without proteins. They are the cornerstone of all living things and provide our bodies with amino acids from which muscles, cells and tissues, as well as antibodies and hormones, are built. Eggs, meat, fish and dairy products are traditionally important sources of protein, but so are plant proteins - and these are becoming increasingly important for the world's food supply. But it is a long way from the soybean, lupin or wheat grain to the vegan sausage substitute, and a lot of technology is involved. The protein must first be extracted from the raw

materials and processed before it can be "textured" into a meat or sausage substitute.

The process starts with sorting and cleaning of raw materials, be they pulses, seeds or others, which are then first ground.

This still comparatively classic preparation process is then followed by protein extraction, which can be carried out differently depending on the raw material. This is often done in a multi-stage process with water or salt



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solutions, but organic solvents are also used. The raw materials are first soaked to separate the proteins from the carbohydrates and other components.

Then the separated protein is precipitated from the solution (protein coagulation) and separated. Finally, the solution (concentrate or isolate) is processed directly or dried in a spray dryer to generate a powder. This powder forms the starting point for texturising - a process that ultimately leads to the meat-like product.

From the purification of soybeans to protein powder

Even this rough overview indicates that a wide variety of machines and equipment are needed in the various steps. So let's take a closer look at this using the example of the production of soy isolate: The soybeans are cleaned, ground and soaked in water.

They are then heated to release the proteins. Centrifuges or decanters make their big appearance during protein extraction: in their conical rotating drums, solid particles are forced outwards by centrifugal force and form a layer on the inner wall of the drum. The liquid collects in the centre and is discharged through an outlet. This continuously separates the protein solution from the plant residues in the first step.

After the initially dissolved protein has been "precipitated" into protein flakes by adding acid or salt, these are also concentrated in a decanter. In order to make the protein as completely usable as possible and to reduce the wastewater load, protein flakes that have not been separated in the decanter are separated in an additional plate separator; this works because the machine uses both centrifugal forces and gravity.

Finally, the coagulated proteins are washed and acid residues are neutralised, centrifuged again or filtered. Finally, the soy isolate is dried at low temperature - for example in spray dryers. As the name suggests, the protein-containing liquid is sprayed from above into a drying chamber where it falls towards a stream of hot air, causing the liquid to evaporate and the previously dissolved product to finally fall to the ground as a dry powder.

Texturing is the only way to create a competitive meat substitute

However, all these steps are only the preliminary work on the way to meat substitutes! Because in the end, it is not only the content and taste that are decisive for the consumer, but also the bite and mouth feel. In order to achieve a "customer experience" that is as true to the original as possible, the vegetable proteins must be textured. This is usually done in special extruders, where various raw materials and spices of the recipe are first mixed and ground to achieve a uniform consistency. This mixture is dosed into an extruder and water is added via spray nozzles.

One or even two screws rotate in the elongated machine, transporting the material towards an opening (die) at the end of a cylindrical chamber. On this path, the mass is exposed to high pressure as well as defined shear forces and temperatures, whereby the protein denatures - this is referred to as the cooking extrusion process. At the end of the extruder, the product is discharged through a nozzle, producing fine fibres that are cut to a desired length. Depending on the process, either dry textured vegetable proteins (TVP) or those with a high water content (HMMA) can be produced. The latter are most similar to meat, while TVP have to be soaked in water before further processing.

High demands on the machine technology

The demands on the technology used are high: on the one hand, the machines must be flexible enough to process different recipes and raw materials. In addition, hygiene plays a major role - all components should be free of dead space and easy to clean. Because the centrifuges used in the first step have to set large masses in motion, energy efficiency plays an important role here. In addition, it is important to produce solids with the lowest possible moisture content in the separation step, because the subsequent drying is an energy-intensive process.

In texturing, the precision of the components used in terms of dosing accuracy and process parameters such as pressure and temperature is of great importance. With increasing demand and growing production volumes, integrated processes in which the complete line is optimally coordinated are also becoming more and more important. Automation also plays an important role here. It not only ensures high productivity, but also reproducible, consistent processes and complete documentation of the production parameters.

At POWTECH, machines and solutions for the entire process chain - from bean to granulate - will be on show. The new scope, which includes liquids as well as powders and bulk solids, takes into account the integrated, holistic view of the process chains.

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TECHNICAL SERVICE KEEPS PLANTS UP-TO-DATE Modernizing and expanding existing plants increases

existing plants increases the efficiency and saves cost

Plants in the food industry can produce high quality products for decades as long as they are regularly updated. Doing so doesn't always require extensive modernization work; however, it does require a constant dialogue with the plant manufacturer



he After Sales Service department of Zeppelin Systems GmbH looks after most plants for as long as they are in use. The team not only takes care of regular maintenance work but also updates plants for today's and future chal-

lenges. These Revamping projects are an everyday challenge and encompass simple tasks like changing mechanical parts such as pipes or valves or even optimizing an entire plant, which can also mean exchanging a complete silo. Projects are often driven by new legal requirements (e.g. ATEX), changes in the Ordinance on Industrial Safety and Health, new hygiene standards or changes in the EC Directive on Machinery (e.g. energy efficiency). The Revamping





team also gets involved when a new product or a new recipe is planned to be processed in the plant.

Another common case: A plant has been operational for two years already and the daily routine unveils handling bottlenecks. This happened in a cookie production plant in Saudi Arabia where the dosing of glucose/syrup mixture was done by hand - a sticky task that was hard to control. "Of course it doesn't make sense to redesign the whole plant for that," explains Martin Faller, Head of Key Components & Customer Service at Zeppelin Systems. "We integrated an automated dosing system instead that added the automated batch tracking as a bonus feature on top." This application is a good example of how a small customer request can develop into a substantial Revamping order. "We learn through experience that the plant operators are often not involved enough at the planning stage of the plant," says Faller. Many Revamping projects provide the opportunity to optimize the plants for the local requirements while implementing measures to improve productivity.

Simply update the mechanics

Many Revamping projects are initiated in order to upgrade the control technology, usually from the Simatic S5 to the S7 system. "Operators are used to software changes, but who thinks about updating a discharge aid? Mechanics can be brought to a whole new level just as well," Faller claims. There was a project where originally just a recipe change was planned. This required changing the powdered sugar dosing from one line to two. In the end, not only were the old steel vessels exchanged for stainless steel ones but the filters as well to meet the ATEX requirements. In order to eliminate a bottleneck, the buffer vessels were enlarged and equipped with special discharge screws that had an integrated mixer with intermittent operation. This led not only to an increase of throughput but also to a reduction of clotting and sticking, putting an end to the frequent plant downtimes. Another good example are plants in the Middle East, where fluctuations in quality hinder the continuous supply of raw material. This is often countered by an increase in silo capacity which, in turn, leads to Revamping programs. The same tendency is true for Europe, although here the driving factor is fluctuation in price rather than in quality, but the demand for Revamping projects is just the same.

Whole-grain flour presents new challenges

Sometimes consumer trends trigger Revamping projects. The Brandt group employs more than 800 people in three locations in Germany. Brandt is the market leader in Germany with a share of 80% of the zwieback business and sells its products worldwide – six million zwieback toasts a day, along with crispbread and chocolate. 60 tons of zwieback are produced every day in the Ohrdruf (Germany) plant

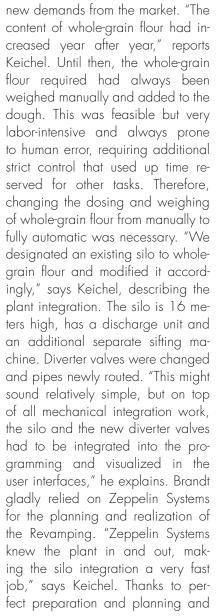


close to Gotha near Erfurt, Thuringia. Zeppelin Systems (formerly Reimelt) supplied this plant twelve years ago and since then, the maintenance team around the technical director Steffen Keichel has been taking care of maintenance, optimization and operation. In 2012, Brandt approached Zeppelin Systems in order to adjust the plant to









a very experienced team, the Revamping was completed in less than three days. Today the production planning is done more flexibly and manual weighing is history. "We have not only gained new freedom in planning and are more flexible in production, we also have more time for other tasks now," he adds while praising the excellent cooperation. "I am sure we will turn to Zeppelin Systems again when another project such as this one arises."

Trust is everything

From a customer's view, Revamping projects are less time-consuming than rebuilding complete plants, which requires substantially larger investments and often causes production downtime.

Zeppelin Systems is convinced that Revamping is the logical consequence resulting from the long-lasting and very close relationship with their customers. "We stay close to the customers from the very beginning of the plant to its end," says Faller and adds: "We did that even long before the term lifecycle management was coined." For Faller, Revamping is not just a department in an organization. "The basis for our Revamping projects is the trust of our customer and our constant dialogue with him. Often enough plant operators don't know what technology offers today." Zeppelin has the vast experience of the most unconventional solutions realized in more than 1,000 plants world-wide. Operators can count on getting the best solution possible.

ABOUT ZEPPELIN SYSTEMS GMBH

The Strategic Business Unit (SGE) Zeppelin plant engineering with its 1,300 employees at 20 locations world-wide is specialized in the development, the production and the construction of components and systems for the handling (storage, conveying, mixing, metering and scaling) of high quality bulk materials and liquids. In this area Zeppelin Systems supports its customers from the project development phase via engineering, production, job site installation, commissioning to the after sales service.

The customers of the SGE plant engineering belong to the chemical industry, plastic producers and processors, the rubber and tyre industry as well as the food industry. For further information.

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Plan and operate process plant safely

POWTECH Nuremberg, booth 2-216: Glatt focuses on hygienic design competence, efficient processes and occupational health and safety

G latt, the pioneer of fluid bed and spouted bed technology for bulk solids processing, will be presenting cuttingedge safety concepts at POWTECH 2023 in Nuremberg (Germany) that go far beyond current legal requirements. As a plant manufacturer and operator, Glatt combines professional engineering with extensive technological know-how from its own practi-



cal experience. Visitors to the stand can discover which comprehensive concepts and innovations Glatt has developed and how they pay off in



sion protection, operational safety, heat recovery and environmental compatibility.



Glatt takes a holistic approach to planning new facilities and converting existing ones.

This not only focuses on optimal particle design, but also ensures sustainable operation, especially in bulk materials processing industries.

In addition to optimised space concepts and complete building solutions, Glatt's expertise extends to waste and environmental management, energy concepts and the handling and containment of toxic and highly active substances.

Hygienic design and product safety

Particular attention is paid to hygienic and safe production, especially in the food sector and for items destined for the consumer market.

Glatt has implemented robust processes in production facilities to meet the requirements of the Global Food Safety Initiative's Food Safety System Certification 22000 (FSSC), which minimises product liability in the event of damage.





Glatt specialists take structural and conceptual aspects into account, as well as the process itself, to develop new concepts for the dust- and contamination-free handling of highly active toxic products, for example.

Design improvements such as securing individual components against overpressure-induced bursting are also part of the process and make cleaning and maintenance work on fluidised bed and spouted bed systems significantly safer for employees.

Tailor-made explosion protection

Glatt offers various explosion prevention devices and measures that have been assessed theoretically and subsequently proven in practical tests.

Ignition sources are avoided as far as possible, all parts are earthed and an appropriate plant design is chosen to ensure maximum safety.

Customers can select from the most appropriate option, whether that's ex-

plosion suppression, pressure relief, inert gas or vacuum operation.

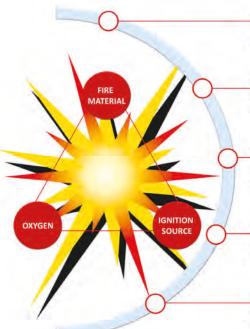
At the Glatt Technology Centre in Weimar, not only are tests done on the production and functionalisation of powders, granulates and pellets, but further trials are run to optimise the process.

Safety-relevant processes can also be tested at laboratory scale before being used in production.

"Our many years of experience as a plant manufacturer and operator enable us to offer our clients customised safety concepts that meet their specific requirements.

We focus on forward-thinking action and stand for maximum protection, efficiency and quality in bulk solids production," says Dr Michael Jacob, Head of Process Technology at Glatt Ingenieurtechnik..

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Explosion Proof Equipment

Technical dimensioning according to the maximum explosion pressure

Pressure Relieved Apparatus

Deflection of a developing explosion out of the apparatus in a non-hazardous direction

Closed Loop Systems under Vacuum

Technical dimensioning according to the minimum ignition pressure

Closed Loop Systems with Inerting

Displacement of atmospheric oxygen by inert gases in the interior

Explosion Suppressed Apparatus

Constriction of explosion flame and explosion pressure increase of an incipient explosion

For more than 30 years, Glatt Ingenieurtechnik GmbH plans and implements international projects from the enlargement or modernization of existing production facilities to the construction of whole new factories.

The plant engineering and process expert combines professional engineering with sound technical know-how derived from patented process technologies, such as Glatt powder synthesis and fluidized and spouted bed methods for granulation and coating processes.

The focus of the projects is on processes in the field of particle design and particle engineering for the development, optimization, functionalization and production of powder and bulk goods such as granulates and pellets.

These are used in the food, feed, chemicals and fine chemicals industries.

Glatt is also a leading partner in the engineering of pharmaceutical and biotechnological facilities for the manufacture of solid, semisolid, liquid and sterile dosage forms.

The company's headquarters are in Weimar, Germany, and affiliates are located in Germany, Europe, India and the USA.

As an integral part of the international Glatt Group, Glatt Ingenieurtechnik can draw on a global network of some 3000 employees. Numerous agencies exist worldwide as contacts for the full range of goods and services.







NEW LABORATORY MIXER for the foodstuffs and pharmaceutical industries Expanded R&D Center

TI Mischtechnik presents an all-new line of laboratory mixers developed for the pharmaceutical and foodstuffs sectors.

The design corresponds to these industries' very exacting hygiene requirements; the systems can nevertheless be flexibly adapted to the special needs of diverse applications. The model shown at stand 1-254 in hall 1 was configured at the request of an industry leader who will use it for recipe development in dairy processing.

A further highlight is MTI's UT 250 vertical universal mixer having a working volume of 205 liters; this unit, too, is built to a very high standard. In addition, MTI presents the latest capacity expansion of its R&D Center that will provide further flexibility gains in developing customer-specific machine configurations and in implementing pilot production runs.

New laboratory mixer for elevated hygiene requirements

The MTI laboratory mixer premiered fulfils elevated hygiene requirements, whether in homogenising different recipe ingredients or as a friction mixer for carrying out thermal processes.

The energy input is adjustable over a wide range via the machine's rotational speed and hence, the



MTI Mischtechnik premiers its newly developed line of laboratory mixers for the foodstuffs and pharmaceutical industries. The version presented at the trade fair is tailormade for dairy processing needs on behalf of an industry leader. © MTI Mischtechnik

peripheral velocity of the mixing tool. Moreover, the mixture can be tempered by water via the mixer's double jacket. Thus, the application range of the new laboratory mixer covers broadly diverse process tasks, including coating, agglomerating and vacuum drying.

The food-grade model provides a vessel volume of 10 liters at a working volume of 2 to 8 liters. The laboratory mixer's design allows an easy scale-up to industrial operation for recipes and processes developed to volume production standard. Its outer parts and all surfaces in contact with the mixture are made of stainless steel 1.4541, with the latter industrially ground to a grit 1200 high-quality finish.

At a drive capacity of 5.5 kW, the rotational speed of the individually configurable mixing tool can be variably selected between 300 rpm and 3,000 rpm adequate to circumferential speeds between 3.7 m/s and 37 m/s. For additional flexibility in the laboratory the mixer can





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be moved on casters. As has been standard on MTI products for many years, the new laboratory mixer features a clearly structured touch panel and a Siemens S7 control for manual and automatic operation.

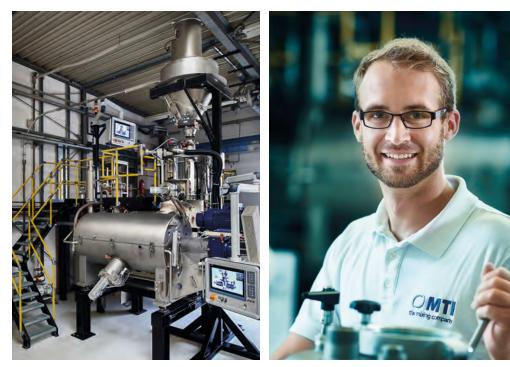
Still more versatility in developing for and with customers

For a number of years, MTI – with its excellently equipped in-house R&D Center – has been on record as a particularly efficient partner in the development of tailor-made mixer technology.

With its most recent expansion, the company's laboratory provides more scope, e.g., for trials on a larger production scale, as well as a dedicated area for testing under ATEX conditions plus special rooms for mixing products subject to a high contamination risk.

Since October 2016, MTI's experienced team has been reinforced by process engineer René Weiffen, who brings additional expertise to the task of resolving R&D challenges for, and with, MTI's customers.

Ulrich Schär, General Manager at MTI, comments: "With the launch of the new laboratory mixer for particularly exacting hygiene requirements



Determined to leave no mixing problem unresolved, MTI Mischtechnik continues to expand its R&D Center (left). In process engineer René Weiffen (right), customers now have a further expert at their service. © MTI Mischtechnik

and the ongoing expansion of its R&D capabilities, MTI emphasises its role as a leading innovator in the mixing industry. Already, our standard line-up of machines meets the conditions for integration into Industry 4.0 environments. But we place an equally strong focus on individual developments addressing highly specific customer objectives.

With our ambition not to leave any mixing problem unresolved, we have gained a strong market position among the world's leading mixer manufacturers in recent years."



MTI Mischtechnik International GmbH, established in 1975, is an internationally leading manufacturer of mixing and processing equipment for the plastics processing, chemical, food and pharmaceutical industries. With a staff of more than 50 employees working at its headquarters site in Detmold, Germany, the company manufactures mixer systems noted for their outstanding mixing performance as well as energy and cost efficiency.

The portfolio includes vertical high-speed mixers, horizontal mixers, heating/ cooling mixer combinations, universal mixers, laboratory mixers as well as tailor-made systems. With an export rate of around 80%, MTI Mischtechnik is globally aligned and, as an owner-managed family business, relies on quality that is "Made in Germany". magina

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- Vibratory Sieves the vibrating sieving machine is used for the separation, classification, scalping, dedusting and selection of powders and liquids. Allows to achieve up to 5 different particle sizes, extremely robust construction and ease to disassembly. Available with ATEX certification, FDA IQ-OQ procedures, GMP, BFM fittings, Jacob fittings and finishes for the food and pharmaceutical industry.

Available in the following models: 16" (Ø 400 mm) – 20" (Ø 500 mm) – 24" (Ø 600 mm) – 30" (Ø 800 m) – 36" (Ø 900 mm) – 48" (Ø 1200 mm) – 60" (Ø 1500 mm) – 72" (Ø 1800 mm) – 90" (Ø 2250 mm).

Features: the vibration is through an unbalanced motor with a double extended shaft, fitted at both ends with eccentric weights. Rotation of the top eccentric weights creates vibration in the horizontal plane, which causes material to move across the screen cloth to periphery increasing the horizontal throw, causing oversize material to discharge at a faster rate. The tangential component of motion is controlled by the angle of lead give n to bottom weights with relation to top weight. Variation in lead angle controlled the spiral pattern of material travel over the screen cloth.

Benefits:

- Low power consumption;
- Varied range of applications;
- High processing rate per unit area of screen;
- Accurate separation;
- Screening up to 200 mesh;
- Applicable different anti blinding systems;



- Modular design to yield up to 6 predetermined fractions;
- Dust-free and noiseless processing;

Application:

- Solid/Liquid separation: Paper & Pulp, Food, Ceramics, Chemicals, Minerals, Waste Disposal, Paint and Pigments;
- Dry classification: Food, Pharmaceutical, Petrochemicals, Fertilizers, Ceramics and Pigments;
- Dry separation: Pulps, Woods, Animal Feeds, Foods, Grains, Cosmetics, and Chemicals;

MSC - Check screening machines:

Low profile Check Screener is a round separator used for the safety screening and check screening of powders and liquids by removing the oversize contamination. Available with ATEX certification, FDA IQ-OQ





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Features: the vibration is through a twin unbalanced motors with a double extended shaft, fitted at both ends with eccentric weights. Increasing the eccentric mass, increases the horizontal throw, causing oversize material to discharge at a faster rate. The vertical motion also minimizes blinding of screen by "near size" particles.

Benefits:

- eliminate oversized and purify material;
- higher throughput per unit mesh area;
- easily to dismantle and clean;
- dust proof;
- can fit easily into existing installations and areas of limited headroom;

 lowers noise levels typically as 70dBA;

Application: featured industries are Food & Beverage, Pharmaceuticals, Chemicals, Coatings, Ceramics, Metal Powders, Water Processing, Recycling.

Centrifugal Sifters: The centrifugal sifter TURBOWEST is particularly suitable for control sieving of solid products.

The centrifugal sieve sturdy construction and ease of integration into existing plants, makes it an easy choice for sieving a large range of powders and granules, food, chemical, pharmaceutical and plastic products.

Successfully used for screening dry or humid bulk materials, the centrifugal sifter, is recommended whenever bagged products or hygroscopic materials are being processed. Lumps and conglomerations are broken gently without any product loss. The Turbowest sieve is especially suited for gravity screening in line with pneumatic conveyors.

Features: The product is fed into the sifter trough the inlet and the internal screw feeds material to be sifted into

the sifting chamber. The materials is collected and distributed along the sifting surface by rotating paddles optional brushes, which forces the material through the screen. The separated fine material will discharge to the central outlet while the unsifted material will be discharged through the side outlet.

Benefits:

- Compact design;
- Heavy duty construction for continuous operation;
- Automatic material discharge;
- Vibration-free action;
- Easy and quick change of screen mesh;
- Inspection doors for quick cleaning of the machine;
- High throughput;
- Low power requirements;
- Available in stainless steel AISI 304L-316L.
- Certification for ATEX, FDA-FOOD, GMP available

Application: the centrifugal sifters are suitable all sectors with a widely varying range of products such as: food industry, chemical, pharmaceutical, plastic materials, metal powders, cement and sand.

Tumbler Screeners: The VAN Tumbler Screening Machine has a three-dimensional movement for classification, separation, dedusting and safety screening of dried products in powders or in granules. It allows up to 6 separations. Available with ATEX certification, FDA IQ-OQ procedures, GMP, BFM fittings, Jacob fittings and finishes for the food and pharmaceutical industry. Available in the following models: 1200 (Ø 1200mm) - 1600 (Ø 1600 mm) - 2000 (Ø 2000 mm) - 2250 (Ø 2250 mm) - 2600 (Ø 2600 mm). Features: the movement of a tumbler screening machine is usually compared with simple hand screening similar to the "gold washing pan".

The product is continuously fed into





the centre of the top screen, from where it spreads out evenly to the outside across the entire screening surface. While the finer particles fall through the screen near the centre, the coarser ones successively towards the periphery. All the material is moved in a spiral pattern with increasing acceleration of the particles and this 3D movement of the machine can be drawn and recorded on paper in the form of an ellipse. Various effective mesh deblinding systems (Ultrasonic, balls, etc) are available for this purpose. The modular design enables different setup variations and product can be re-screened 2 to 3 times to increase yield and the screening efficiency.

Benefits:

- extremely high screening efficiency (up to 99%);
- easy dismantling and cleaning of all parts;
- low noise level (<78dB);
- reduced maintenance cost;
- modular design for double screening or high capacity;



- low acceleration and gentle separation of the product;
- not destroy fragile and delicate products;
- possibility to install lifting device for quick screen frame change;

Application: the machines are suitable all sectors with a widely varying

range of products such as: animal feed, building materials, chemicals, fertilizer, food, beverages, tobacco, metal powders, minerals, pharmaceuticals, plastics, rubber, recycling and wood.

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Efficiency and Effectiveness are GVF IMPIANTI SRL key-words

GVF Impianti Srl is a reliable partner specialized in the design, production and supply of machines, equipment and plant for Bulk Material handling since 1964.

ith more than 50 years of experience, GVF Impianti Srl is the ideal partner able to supply quality solutions for bulk material handling and for industrial auto- mation in sectors like food, pharma, chemical, petfood and construction materials.

The wide range of production full of transversal pro- ducts characterizes the company organization, which is divided in 6 main divisions: dense phase pneuma- tic conveying systems, bulk material handling systems and equipment, mixing and dosing technology, filtra- tion systems, recycling systems and foundry machineries and plants.

Each company division represents the know-how and the experience gained in each sector of application, making the company become able to design and pro- duce components, complex machines as well as complete turn-key plants.

The main feature which distinguishes the company production is the search for the quality, following both the plant's efficiency and the effectiveness of the adop- ted solution.

GVF Impianti Srl's objective is to supply advanced solutions combining



quality and innovation, which makes the customer's job easier and which gua- rantees a fast return on investment.

INNOVATIVE AND EFFICIENT SYSTEMS

Together since 1964 to solve bulk material handling problems To be successful in today's global industrial ma- chineries' market, companies need to provide Mis- sion-Driven Machines which are smarter, more functio- nal and easier to maintain.

The market expects maximum durability, not only on a day-to-day basis, but also in the long term, in order to remain productive for years. That is







why GVF Impianti's main objective has always been satisfying customer's needs, even if it requires high levels of product's customization and quality.

The company has a long story of positive results. It was founded in 1964 by three partners, and thanks to the experience they gained in building and designing machineries and plants in the USA, they firstly began to serve the foundry sector.

Year after year the company has slowly improved the production range, by supplying products in more and more sectors of application, such as food, pharma, chemical and pet-food sectors, and to different types of customers.

In 2000 the company becomes a family-owned

com- pany, and with the ownership also the company view changed, in order to become more and more customer oriented

Recently the company has enlarged its target markets abroad, by suppling goods and establishing business relationships in many European countries.

For the coming years its main goal is to continue to supply high quality solutions to its customers, with the support of its selected partners.

Efficiency and Effectiveness are the key-words.

"Ideas, Projects and Solutions in order to provide our cus<u>tomer</u>



IN-HOUSE ENGINEERING

One of the most powerful strength of the com- pany is its ability to design and produce in-house stan- dardized and customized products, in order to satisfy each possible customer's need.

The company studies each production process of its customers, in order to provide them with the best solution, not only in terms of productivity, but also in terms of efficiency and effectiveness. This allows GVF Im- pianti to be able to project the entire systems' functio- ning and management logic.

The engineering department uses the most up-to-date design and 3D

simulation systems. Engineers interact with the mechanical production department, and fol- low all the production phases up to the assembling, the start-up and the commissioning of the machine in customer's premises.

PED COMPLIANT PRODUCTS

In order to improve the production quality and to control all the production processes internally, GVF Im- pianti Srl has decided to request and obtain the WPS (Welding Procedure Standard) certification.

The company is now able to produce PED com- pliant vessels for its pneumatic conveyors, certified by TÜV (CE0948).

Indeed, the management strongly believes that the in-house production





of products is part of the com- pany's strength, because it allows products customi- zation and quality controls for the entire production system.

SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

GVF Impianti is also able to provide a complete service of in-house industrial automation, for its ma- chineries and its complete turn-key plants, thanks to an internal software development department, which follows and studies all projects in order to provide the best solutions.

The software development department takes care of the software project and the mechani- cal automation project. It also follows the creation and assembly of control, power and monitoring panels.

Moreover, in order to offer the best possible solution in terms of industrial automation, our company has established some important partnerships with major global powerhouses such as Siemens. This resulted in a fundamental quality guarantee and improvement.

DENSE PHASE PNEUMATIC CONVEYING SYSTEMS

The dense phase pneumatic conveying system transports the product at low speed, using a small amount of air and reducing the energy consumption.

GVF Impianti's technology prevents contamination between the transported materials thanks to a process control that executes cleaning cycles every product's change.

DISTINCTIVE MARKS OF GVF PNEUMATIC CONVEYORS

GVF Impianti Srl has developed during the years mainly four types of pneumatic conveyors, which sati-sfy different needs: GA, GC, GA COM-BO and GA-A. GA type is suitable for the transport of normal wearing materials, is designed with an inlet butterfly valve and is supplied complete of electro-pneumatical panel in box.

GC type has been developed to convey particu- larly abrasive material, thanks to the special inlet cone valve designed by GVF Impianti, which guarantees a high resistance to wear.

The conveyor is supplied complete of its electro-pneumatical panel in box too. GA COMBO type has the same features of GA type but it is studied to be compact, economical and modular, really useful if the available space is reduced. Its distin- ctive mark is the electro-pneumatical panel installed on board the vessel.

Finally, the GA-A type is suitable if it is necessary to weigh the product before the transport. Indeed, it is equipped with load cells and with a load control unit, which allows to create batches of product just before the transport.

But, what distinguishes all these pneumatic conveyors from the competitors is the special design of some components and the unique air distribution system. Indeed, all GVF Impianti's pneumatic conveyors are equipped with outlets made in cast iron, and further strengthen by a thermal treatment. In addition, the out- let unit is equipped with spilt flanges made in cast iron too, which allow to have an easy directing of the outlet pipe.

Very important in terms of performance is also the exclusive uniform air distribution system, which di- stributes the compressed air in three main parts of the vessel: in the outlet, laterally and in the central part.

GVF Impianti Srl can supply on request also pneumatic conveyors for high temperatures and high performan- ce pneumatic conveyors HP type, for long distances and big hourly capacities.

Finally, all GVF Impianti's pneumatic conveyors offer the following advantages: automatic execution, low wear, reduced product breakages and un-mixing, low air consumption, efficient product/air ratio, low operational and maintenance costs.

PNEUMATIC CONVEYING COMPONENTS AND EQUIPMENT

In the pneumatic conveying systems' production range GVF Impianti produces also all the pneumatic conveying components (such as pipeline's boosters, pinch valves and wearresistant bends) and diverter valves (two-ways diverter valves and multiways diver- ter valves).

Indeed, very interesting are the twoways diverter val- ves which are mainly divided in 3 types: DAS, DP and Y. The two-ways diverter valves DAS type are studied to be installed on the top of the silos, in order to divert the product between more silos or to become a ter- minal box made in a wear-resistant material.

DP type allows to divert the material from one to two ways, and is particularly suitable for abrasive products. Y type is equipped with two pinch valves, and allows to select between two ways.

But, if the number of ways in which the product should be sent is higher than two, GVF Impianti has developed a very interesting multi-ways diverter valve DS type, which allows to divert the material flow up to 12 destinations. $\widehat{\mathbf{m}}$

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WONDERFUL COCONUT!

ultivated in many tropical countries, coconut (Cocos Nucifera) contains a deliciously fragrant white pulp, a source of mineral salts (iron and potassium), and some vitamins (E, K, B, C) even if in quite small concentrations.

Faravelli Food Division offers a wide selection of coconut-based ingredients signed by Franklin Baker, a Philippine company that has been a world leader in the sector for over 100 years.

Further to two great white dried classics - GEM MEDIUM and GEM MAC-AROON (different in size) – Faravelli also offers ready-to-deliver Golden Toasted Coconut Niblets, made from uniformly roasted and dried coconut pulp and characterized by a distinctive aroma and crispy texture and consistency, Kosher and Halal certified.

They are ideal as toppings for cakes, ice cream, biscuits and donut-like donuts, in wafers, in cereal mixes.

Virgin Coconut Oil is a virgin coconut oil derived from the simple cold pressing of the pulp, not to be confused with traditional coconut oil, which is obtained by extraction with solvents. Virgin Coconut Oil is very rich in medium chain triglycerides (MCT), colorless and characterized by a very delicate typical aroma. It is used in the bakery sector and as a frying oil; also, for its excellent nutritional properties, it is used in the nutraceutical and cosmetic industry to nourish the hair and as a body cream.

Coconut milk is also obtained from the pressing of the pulp, a very nutritious product, very caloric and rich in saturated fats.

It does not contain any traces of lactose, nor milk proteins (e.g. caseins)



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and a very fragrant and tasty fat, suitable for feeding lactose sensitive subjects and in vegetarian diets / vegan.

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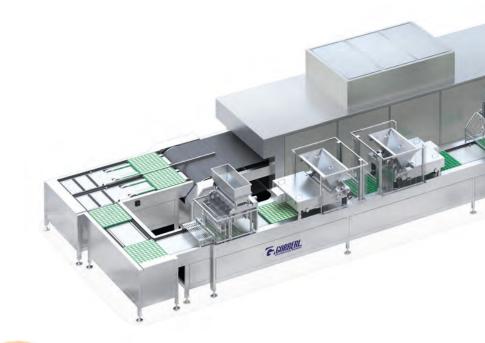
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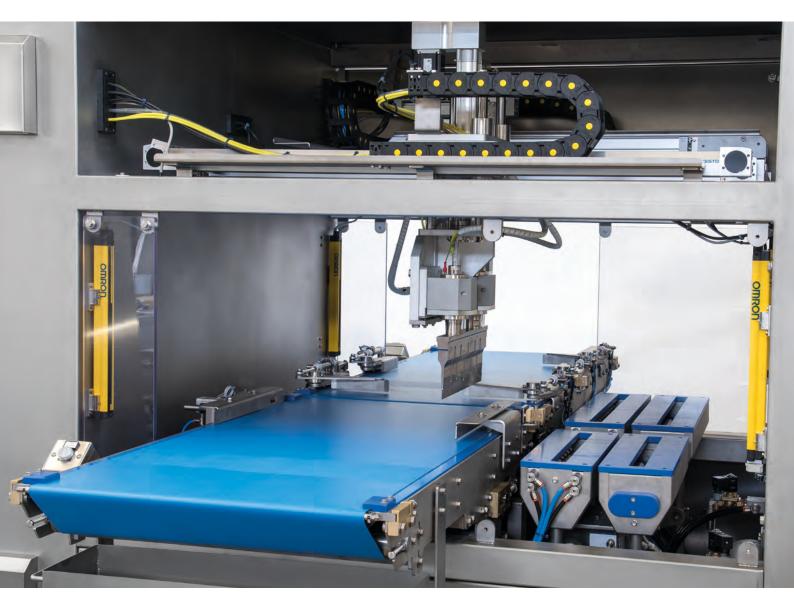


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The CONFECTIONERY SECTOR in the era of healthy food

n the confectionery market, as in the large-scale retail, the search for healthy products seems to be an unstoppable trend: the modern consumer, stimulated by the emergence of new styles of consumption, is increasingly looking for natural, organic and free from products.

New purchasing habits that, on one side, depend on the greater attention to eating disorders (in industrialized countries, gluten intolerance has grown by more than 20% in the last 5 years), but also on the perception the consumer have about these products understood as "healthier". Here then, the clean label becomes the lever that drives the purchase decision: the absence of dyes, preservatives or allergens is one of the most appreciated characteristics.

The combination of food and wellbeing pushes the consumer to prefer products of certain and/or certified origin, so doing products "without", organic, IGP, Zero miles and local, are increasingly gaining space.

A search for naturalness that affect the confectionery sector, which records growth rates before pandemic up to +8% per year, of which over 40% comes from bakery products, followed by chocolate and cocoa products (over 30% approximately), ice cream (15%) and confectionery. In this new, highly specialized market segment, it becomes essential for success, to know how to renew its own production and anticipate consumer trends, which are increasingly demanding in terms of naturalness and ethics.

In this context, Cesarin S.p.A, an Italian company of semi-finished fruit and vegetable products, that has made



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Understanding the taste of the modern consumer means giving priority to natural ingredients without additives, dyes or preservatives in favour of quality. Cesarin studies new methodologies to preserve the authenticity of fruit and vegetable flavors for the sweet and savory industry.



innovation its competitive advantage, stands out.

With over 100 years of experience in the processing of **candied fruit**, **Cesarin** has been able to anticipate market trends to propose high-quality solutions that guarantee the maximum attention in the search for raw materials from certified origin and the absence of artificial flavours, dyes and preservatives.

An example of this is the line of Fruit HG with low water **activity:** it is a product studied in the Company Research Development Centre, that inhibits the activity of water and keeps unaltered the taste and structural characteristics of the raw material, with a softness and a fresh flavour not comparable to a traditional dehydrated or freeze dry product.

Created as an inclusion for chocolate bars, today it finds its best use in the production of biscuits, energy bars and cereal mixes. The product is naturally gluten-free, contains no artificial colours and is OGM free. **Fruit HG Cesarin** is also available in the Light version without added sugars (sweetened with maltitol) in the flavours most requested by the international market: from classic red and yellow fruits, to the more exotic flavours of mango, pineapple and papaya and the highly appreciated lime and ginger, or in the version with Sorbitol for excellent resistance to high temperatures and soft texture after baking. Following the trend of freshness, naturalness and low sugar added, Cesarin offers as an alternative to the traditional **candied fruit**,



the Semi-candied fruit TuttaFrutta, obtained by a cold process from the best fresh fruit on the market, ideal to garnish and fill baked products or ice cream.

But in **Cesarin** the focus is not exclusively on the sweet pastry side.

Over the years, the company has established itself on the international market also for the search for a line of vegetables dedicated to the food industry.

An example of this is the **Vegeta**bles **HG** with low water activity that represent the perfect solution

to all the problems associated with the use of dehydrated or frozen vegetables: stabilization in fact allows the preservation of vegetables through the partial inhibition of the water activity naturally present in the fresh raw material.

This process guarantees a better organoleptic appearance and a less fibrous structure than dehydrated products and a higher resistance to mechanical stress as well as less water release than frozen products.

The stabilized vegetables are obtained from vegetables harvested strictly by hand at the right degree of ripeness, to ensure the high-quality standard.

Stabilized vegetables can be used as a topping to improve the aesthetic appearance or as an ingredient in sandwiches, ready meals, quiches, crackers, breads and rice/pasta salads.

Talking about sugar-free foods, Cesarin launches the **MisterAlberto line - Without Sugar Added** on the occasion of the company's 100th anniversary, to celebrate the company's founder.

The **MisterAlberto** line includes fruit jams and ice cream ripples with over 50% less sugar than the average standard products, designed to enhance some of the best Made in Italy products. In this case the choice falls





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on the natural sweetness of the raw material and on the nutritional properties of the fruit.

In addition to the MisterAlberto line, Cesarin is famous for the quality of the jams produced, all bake stable, and the various fruit preparations aimed at the food industry.

Many innovations and many alternative products that do not forget the fundamental relationship with the territory of origin: Cesarin is very attentive to its environmental impact.

This is demonstrated by the strict controls to which the Company is periodically subjected as the environmental management system (EMS) conforming to ISO 14001:2004, those to the progressive reduction of resources used, the continuous improvement of its infrastructure in terms of environmental impact, through the search for effective and increasingly efficient solutions. $\widehat{\mathbf{m}}$

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The European confectionery industry faces challenges such as rising raw material costs, consumer demand for healthier products, and global competition. Companies are innovating with low-sugar, natural, and sustainable products

he confectionery industry is one of the driving sectors of the European economy, thanks to its tradition, innovation, and product quality. In recent years, however, the sector has faced several challenges, including rising costs of raw materials, increasing consumer awareness of health and environmental issues, and global competition.

One of the main problems that has arisen concerns the rising costs of raw materials, such as sugar, cocoa,



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and hazelnuts. This has resulted in increased production costs for confectionery companies, which have tried to compensate by raising the prices of their products.

Furthermore, consumers are becoming increasingly demanding in terms of health and the environment, requiring healthier and more natural products. In response, many companies have developed products with low sugar and fat content, using natural and organic ingredients.

Global competition is another major challenge for the sector, with many confectionery producers from emerging countries seeking to enter the European market by offering lower-priced products compared to local companies. This competition is particularly evident in the chocolate sector, where producers from emerging countries are trying to gain market share.

Despite these difficulties, the sector is trying to innovate and adapt to changing consumer demands. Many companies are developing low-sugar and low-fat products using natural and organic ingredients. In addition, many producers are working to reduce the environmental impact of their production by using biodegradable packaging and reducing carbon emissions.





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real market requirements, permitted to grow up rapidly and establish itself over the main international markets.

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Over the years, EUROPA has consolidated world-wide its own position, thanks to a constant renewal of its range with increasingly more advanced products.

It continues to grow year by year, consolidating its presence both in

Italy and abroad, relying on a strong mark, which means quality and modernity.

Besides, thanks to the cooperation of a loyal and specialized distributors' network, EUROPA is able to guarantee an excellent assistance service to all its customers, whether it is a small pastry shop, a traditional artisan bakery or a bakery industry with loading and unloading automatic systems.

EUROPA offers two main product lines, in which you can find the most suitable oven according to your own needs. Besides, every product line has its own accessories.

The BLACK LINE presents a wide range of solutions for large and regular production, including: electric deck ovens, steam tube deck ovens, both traditional and evolved rotary rack ovens, multi-loading deck ovens and provers. It features two models of rotary rack oven: the traditional GALILEO, with rear heat exchanger, and the evolved JOBS, with side heat exchanger. Furthermore, both series have two different versions, the DIGIT and the PRO ones, to satisfy all customers' requirements. Among its many characteristics, the standard DIGIT version comes with digital control panel, 2-speed baking fan, weekly programmable ignition system, motorized steam damper and stainless-steel outer panels.

The PRO version, instead, has the electromechanical control panel, manual steam damper and 1-speed baking fan. However, regardless their differences, GALILEO and JOBS have several common qualities, such as: solid structure, refined design, improved technology and surprising recovery times.

The GREEN LINE presents multiple products for small production, regular production, bakery cafés and horeca. It includes electric modular deck ovens, compact rotary rack ovens, mini-rotary rack ovens, convection ovens, combined solutions and provers. Among the products of the new GREEB LINE series, the main ones are those composing the BELL and COOPER series: ultra-compact rotary rack ovens for bakery and pastry products.

Thanks to their modular structure, they can be installed in less than 2 hours; besides, they can pass through common doors and they can be fitted into premises with very low ceilings. The special "FREESTYLE" version (patented) allows to reduce the consumptions from 33% to 66% when the baking of a complete rack is not needed: that is to say, that you can decide whether to bake 5, 10 or 15 trays and thus to use 1/3, 2/3 or 3/3 of the power. Stainless steel massive structure, modern design, excellent baking quality, versatility and friendly use: these are the features that make the BELL and COOPER series suitable for all customers expecting great performances from a small oven

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Level regulation without blemish Smart level sensors in CHOCOLATE PARADISE

apacitive sensors are a fine thing in and of themselves: They can detect levels of liguids, powders and granular materials through non-metallic container walls without the sensor coming into contact with the media. However, conventional capacitive sensors also have a number of disadvantages. The sensitivity of the sensor must be adjusted in a time-consuming process so that the signal is triggered not by the container itself, but by the container wall together with the medium. And if you ever try to accurately detect the level of chocolate, ketchup, etc. using a conventional capacitive sensor, you will discover that these media do not drain without leaving residue, and deposits regularly lead to sensing errors, which make error-free measurement impossible.

This challenge was faced also by Gysi, the renowned chocolate manufacturer in Switzerland, when seeking to equip the agitators of various tempering machines for heat treatment of chocolate when retrofitting new sensors for level regulation. The previous level detection system based on measuring the pressure difference was getting up in years and repeatedly had to be checked and cleaned at regular intervals, which incurred considerable effort and downtime. Therefore Gysi looked for a new solution.

First attempts with a built-in sensor from the machine manufacturer, however, did not look promising because the application could not be left unattended. Then a Balluff



sensor with smart level technology was chosen finding an error free solution.

Smart level sensors operate at an oscillator frequency significantly higher than conventional capacitive sensors. In addition, the patented electronic processor unit gathers more information than is usually the case with capacitive level measurement. It evaluates not only the capacitance, but also the conductivity value of the medium. Since compact media have high, thin films of the same medium, but only low conductivity values, the new sensors have no trouble distinguishing between thin deposits and the real level. This means that sensing errors with media that do not drain without leaving residue, such as chocolate, are largely prevented. Gysi now has 6 machines retrofitted with the new sensors and there are already plans to

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retrofit additional systems. The sensor in the container wall detects the level of the chocolate directly through the end face of the plastic sleeve in the container wall. If the chocolate falls below a certain fill level, the sensor triggers and after 30 seconds liquid chocolate is refilled until the optimum fill level is reached.

Unlike conventional capacitive sensors, these fill-level indicators do not have to be readjusted, neither during operation, nor when changing the recipe. Thus the switch point between white and dark chocolate, for example, differs by only three millimeters.

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Mondi & Henkel partner to launch fully recyclable mono-material refill pouch for Pril

ondi, a global leader in packaging and paper, and Henkel are helping consumers to wash dishes more sustainably by creating a completely new reuse packaging concept. The two companies worked together on a packaging solution for Henkel's hand dishwashing products that allows refilling plastic bottles from flexible pouches.

This supports Henkel's sustainability targets of making 100% of its packaging recyclable or reusable and reducing 50% of fossil-based virgin plastic by 2025.

Since January, consumers can purchase a new keep-at-home refillable pump dispenser with refills in the lightweight, mono-material pouch produced by Mondi. The flexible standup pouch reduces plastic by 70% every time it replaces rigid plastic bottles and is easy to recycle where existing infrastructure exists.

Convenient and lighter to carry home, the pouch completely empties thanks to its shaped design, leaving no residue. It is soft touch with a sturdy base so it can easily stand in-store, offering retailers attractive and eye-catching on-shelf appeal while also communicating all the brand information including sustainability benefits.

Mondi's leak-proof pouch is certified according to ISTA 6, providing a highly durable packaging for both instore and online shopping.

Muriel Joncheray, Global Key Account Manager Consumer Flexibles, Mondi says: "Sustainability is a vital element in the homecare industry and a trend that is shaping the whole market - and rightly so.

At Mondi, we have defined sustainability goals that focus on circular driven solutions in our MAP2030 action plan. This includes a target to make 100% of our products reusable, recyclable or compostable by 2025 – just like the recyclable pouch for Henkel. Our EcoSolutions approach meant that we worked very closely with the Henkel team to create the new packaging. While the aim was to provide a solution that helped Henkel reach its



The new packaging concept is being launched for Henkel's brand Pril in Germany. It has been certified by "Blauer Engel", the independent ecolabel of the German Federal Government



sustainability targets, we also needed to ensure the materials and structure would protect the product in transit and on-shelf, preventing leakage and minimising waste."

Carsten Bertram, Head of Global Packaging Innovation Dishwashing at Henkel added: "At Henkel, we recognize our responsibility related to packaging. We're committed to driving sustainable packaging and have a set of ambitious targets.

Our strategy is based around circular economy and focuses on integrat-

ing recycled plastics, reducing the amount of plastic packaging, having reusable packaging and using fully recyclable packaging concepts to close the loop.

Mondi was the obvious partner to help us with their expertise in creating the best possible solutions - for the product, the planet and the customer."

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- Mondi has created a recyclable refill pouch enabling Henkel consumers to reduce plastic by 70% and helping Henkel to move closer to its sustainability targets
- Henkel's Pril hand dishwashing liquid is available in a 100% recycled PET pump dispenser bottle which can be re-used many times using refills packaged in Mondi's recyclable mono PE refill pouch
- The innovative pouch is light-weight, convenient to use, certified as leak-proof and highly durable even for home deliveries





Labelling system for COWLESS milc® milk bottles

n addition to environmentally responsible business, ecology is also increasingly important in production and packaging of food.

COWLESS milc® has built an ecologically responsible way to produce plant-based milk by planting cashew trees at farms.

This way CO2 is not emitted but absorbed, which contributes to its reduction in the atmosphere. In addition, biodiversity, animal welfare and soil quality are increased.

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Every step of the production process is carefully considered; nature and the people behind the production always come first. For the production of the nut milk a completely new production line was assembled in the Netherlands in Ouderkerk on the Amstel.

COWLESS milc® for a unique, self-developed production process, started looking for specialized machine manufacturers and, for labelling the glass bottles, Etipack BV was contacted. After an intense process of design, both of the adhesives for the label and line specifications, the company finally installed an Etipack System 5.

Customized Etipack labelling system

System 5 consists of several modules for the application of adhesive labels. At the input of the system, the bottles are spaced by means of two DRP side belts. A seal label is placed on top of the cap, which is then pushed on the side of the bottle with a pneumatic roller.

This guarantees the daily fresh quality of the milk. When the seal has been applied, the bottle is clamped between an upper belt and the conveyor belt.

Two Strong 200 label dispensers, apply one front and one back label. The label on the back is first marked with lot number and production date. At the end of the labelling system, the labels are further adhered thanks to two large application rollers.

Etipack has been known for many years as a reliable partner for labelling projects. Etipack's extensive range of labelling systems makes it possible to customize standard systems with different standard modules.

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SCIENCE AND THE CONSUMER: the key to the packaging circular economy

Winfried Muehling, Marketing & Communications Director, Pro Carton







n the current discussion around single-use and reusable packaging, I feel a crucial dimension is being lost: the consumer. Consumer engagement plays an essential role and policies to promote the circular economy will be most effective if they consider the factors that shape consumer behaviour and demands.

Consumers want to do 'the right thing', but legislators and businesses must first create the conditions for them to act. Their buy-in is absolutely crucial.

The European Commission's proposal to amend the Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR) - which focuses on the implementation of reusable packaging - has proved a source of controversy, not least, because it appears to contradict the will of the consumer.

One of the conclusions from our 2023 consumer research, which examined the attitudes of over 5,000 Europeans towards the environment and packaging, was that consumers have a high level of trust in packaging material manufacturers and brand owners when it comes to securing a future with recyclable packaging solutions. In fact, 92% of consumers in Europe see the responsibility with packaging suppliers and brand owners, and only 8% with legislators.

Advocating for a mandatory reuse system undermines the ability of these stakeholders to innovate in such a way that drives the circular economy and to further improve recycling abilities in a sustainable and widespread way. This one-size-fits-all approach is a hindrance, not an aid.

Fortunately, there is another option: Life Cycle Assessments (LCAs). LCAs of packaging materials identify, quantify and assess sources of environmental impact throughout a product's life cycle, taking into account the supply



of raw materials for all packaging components, use of packaging and disposal after use.

The result is that product packaging can be scientifically evaluated on a case-by-case basis, accounting for the concerns and demands of the consumer, and closely evaluating the environmental impact of the packaging solutions chosen.

However, in disregarding science in favour of top-down regulation, we are seeing potential cracks start to appear in the Commission's plans.

In Germany, in a bid to comply with the proposal, fast food restaurants have set up deposit systems for reusable packaging - including for "takeout" consumption.. These require consumers to store reusable packaging, rinse it and return it to the restaurant to redeem their deposit. The system risks alienating consumers by demanding a less convenient habit change, driving up the costs of value meals (for a family, the deposit could be more than 10 euros) and creating uncertainty around food hygiene - a nonnegotiable criterion.

The importance of consumer acceptance cannot be overstated if high return rates, and high rotation rates, are to be achieved.

Unfortunately, there is little evidence to suggest consumers are on board. Our recent survey, in which more than 1,000 German consumers were polled about their packaging preferences revealed that two-thirds (66%) of respondents demonstrated a low acceptance level of mandatory deposit schemes. Furthermore, in the fast-food setting, behaviours are largely the same, with 61% preferring to dispose of their packaging for recycling, compared to 39% who would choose to store, rinse and return reusable plastic packaging to a collection point.

It is worth remembering that Germany is a country in which deposit return systems have been used for decades in different variations.

Navigating this complex issue requires us to be agile and flexible – neither of which is possible with the current approach. Professionally prepared LCAs provided us with a clear avenue towards the circular economy, educating business owners on the best solution on a case-by-case basis, with close adherence to the demands of the consumers, and the interests of the environment.

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PERSPECTIVE of NVC NETHERLANDS PACKAGING CENTRE on Draft IENW/BSK-2022/263822 by Ms. VLWA Heijnen MSc.

This PERSPECTIVE comprises three parts:

- 1. Introduction of association NVC and its position on packaging and environment
- 2. Analysis of packaging and environment over the period 2013-2022
- 3. Policy recommendations for the year 2023 and beyond



1. Introduction of NVC and its position on packaging and environment

Every second, the world packs some 320,000 products - and the world's population unpacks them later and in a different location. NVC was founded in 1953 and now unites over five hundred companies with an interest in continually improving packaging. The NVC membership includes retailers, packaging suppliers, machine suppliers, branded article manufacturers, pharmaceutical companies, companies in the chemical industry, packaging printers, co-packers, design agencies, recyclers, testing institutes, and so on.

NVC supports its member companies by providing them with up-to-date and reliable business information, by jointly carrying out innovation projects, by educating and training their employees in packaging and by 'matching' supply and demand in the market ('market support').

Specific to packaging and environment, these include the following activities:

- a. Inform member companies of global legislative and regulatory developments through the NVC Members-only Environment Regulations Guide MERGE
- b. The NVC Workshop Sustainable Innovation in Packaging (Live Online, so 100% interactive and participation possible from any location worldwide)
- c. The PUMA Project towards the end of packaging as an environmental problem (see the enclosed PUMA MANIFESTO and all background information at: www.nvc.nl/puma)
- d. Stimulating innovation in the sector by scouting new techniques and linking supply and demand through exhibitions, conferences and the NVC online Buyer's Guide

NVC works with a 'holistic' vision to improve the activity of packaging, obviously in the Netherlands but especially also on an international scale, given the structural developments in the actors involved in packaging, like the raw material suppliers, the packer-filler industry, the logistics and the retail.



NVC has played an active role in the development of European (CEN) standards in the field of packaging and packaging waste since 1994 resulting from the European Packaging and Packaging Waste Directive of December 1994. Thanks in part to NVC's initiative and its active role in the standards development itself, the world (ISO) standards in this area were published in 2012. Photo: the plenary meeting of the ISO working groups on 6 May 2011 in Atlanta USA at the Coca Cola headquarters.



The PUMA MANIFESTO has now been published in nine languages (Dutch, English, French, Italian, Korean, Japanese, Chinese, Spanish and Portuguese). The German-language edition will be published on Wednesday 3 May 2023 during the PUMA World Conference in Düsseldorf, Germany. From 4-10 May 2023, the world's largest packaging exhibition with more than 100,000 visitors will take place there: the interpack2023. NVC will promote the results of the PUMA World Conference there from a dedicated stand (ENB/03) at the Main Entrance North.

NVC is not a 'vertical' trade association, like, for example, FNLI (the umbrella organisation of the food industry in the Netherlands) or CBL (the trade association of Dutch supermarkets) or NRK (the federation of plastics and rubber manufacturers). As such, NVC's primary tasks are therefore not to 'lobby' the central government to promote specific industry interests. However, we do appreciate maintaining good contacts in this regard.

NVC communicates 'across the board' via NVC News and in the various social media. The NVC website attracts about sixty thousand unique visitors annually (about 60% of whom are based outside the Netherlands). Some thirty thousand professionals and organisations located worldwide follow NVC daily via social media, especially Twitter and LinkedIn.

NVC is worried about the state of affairs regarding packaging and the environment in the Netherlands and worldwide in 2022. The first European legislation on packaging and packaging waste dates back to December 1994(!) and we are now on the eve of the year 2023. In the meantime, a proposal for follow-up legislation was launched by the European Commission on 30 November 2022: the Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation PPWR.

As a society and industry, we unfortunately have to conclude that the problems have clearly not been solved over the past 29 years. On the contrary, they seem to have actually gotten worse. Why is this? What can we learn from the past and how can we all do better in the future? How do we end packaging as an environmental problem? You can find this NVC basic position in our PERSPECTIVE on the Draft Decision of the Minister.

2. Analysis of packaging and environment over the period 2013-2022

The first significant European legislation on packaging and the environment dates from December 1994: the European Packaging and Packaging Waste Directive. At that time, the Netherlands already had the Packaging Covenant, with the actor on the industry side towards the central government being the Stichting Verpakking en Milieu SVM. There came a Second Covenant in the Netherlands, with SVM.PACT (Project Administration Covenant Two) as the implementing organisation, and the European Directive was transposed into Dutch law in the year 1997.

With the Extended Producer Responsibility EPR comes a financing system for collection and recycling. After an 'interwar period' in which the central government started levying a Packaging Tax, the Packaging Waste Fund Foundation StAV took office in the year 2013. In conjunction with - and paid for by - the StAV, several other foundations came into being, each of which started working in a subfield.

To be mentioned in this context is the Knowledge Institute for Sustainable Packaging Stichting KIDV. This organisation has the Stichting StAV as its only client, with the mutual performance agreement being confidential. Over time, the pricing for specific materials (plastics) by Stichting StAV has been linked to whether or not they comply with Recyclechecks to be drawn up by KIDV. The operational relationship between Stichting StAV and Stichting KIDV is characterised by intensive personal ties (the former Stichting KIDV director is now Stichting StAV director).

To address litter, the Stichting Nederland Schoon SNS was set up. Its funding was originally linked to the moderated introduction of deposit fees on specific types of emptied packaging. April 2022, the Stichting StAV presented a plan to collect a whole range of 'deposit-fee sensitive' emptied packs (bottles, cans) through a large number of 'circular hub' collection sites. The plan did not include a public cost budget and went off the table soon after presentation.

Now, after a legal joust and a three-month delay, deposit fees will be introduced across the full breadth of the relevant packaging spectrum on 1 April 2023. What are the costs going to be? The question also arises as to the usefulness of the continued existence of, or funding by, the Stichting StAV of the Stichting SNS.

Regarding the Stichting Nedvang, a different corporate form is envisaged for the coming years: a Private Limited Company (BV). This raises the question of the (future) ownership structure, including the financial allocation of any profits generated by this BV.

StAV's internal organisation comes up for discussion in a report by ILT Inspectorate¹ which audited the accounts for the year 2019. The report contains damning conclusions

regarding the limited financial, accounting robustness of the organisation, including the remarkable way the auditor approved the StAV financial statements for the year in question. The question is, whether these criticisms have now been addressed and durably covered by the Stichting StAV.

The substantiation of the rates used by the StAV Foundation is also unclear, with sudden rate changes (/increases) of up to +1000% occurring in recent years². There are concerns about the unsatisfactory substantiation of the proposed rates and about the possibility that the Stichting StAV, after having been granted the General Binding Declaration (AVV) by the Minister, has a free hand for five years to implement substantial and unexpected rate increases.

The accountability of the Stichting StAV and the policy structure it funds is also negatively discussed in a recent study by the University of Utrecht³. It analyses for various product categories, including packaging, the extent to which collection and recycling takes place in a transparent manner, with an unambiguous allocation of the various responsibilities. The situation for the packaging sector is outlined as unfathomable.

Finally, there are questions about the data available to the Stichting StAV in the context of its levies. To what extent are the personal and business data of the Dutch industry paying the fees shared with the Stichting KIDV, the Stichting Nederland Schoon and Nedvang BV - and then through these entities with third parties engaged by them (consultancies, lawyers, self-employed professionals, and so on)?

All in all, major concerns have grown at NVC over the past decade about the effectiveness of the policy structure around the StAV Packaging Waste Fund Foundation as set up in the year 2013 and legitimised by the central government. The concerns focus on two questions:

1. What charges does the Stichting StAV want to charge, with what justification?

2. What environmental performance will be achieved by the Stichting StAV with these targeted levies?

Question 1 has increased in importance now that there is talk of a possible tripling of the envisaged levy per Dutch company, while this was denied in so many words by a representative of Stichting StAV in an NVC members' meeting in early 2022. The foundation's draft multi-year budget is insufficiently conclusive. The foundation does not commit to the level of tariffs for the coming years. What will be the costs (revenues) of the introduction of deposit fees as of 1 April 2023? The basic organisational system costs (at €12.5 million a year equivalent to a workforce of 100 FTEs and significantly increasing) also lack substantiation.





Question 2 is almost even more important, especially now that the definition of 'recycling' is changing. A look at the Model in the PUMA MANIFESTO makes this clear. In fact, the 2013-2022 period looked at the amount of Collect-Control and not at the amount of 'newly usable, circular' materials actually created via a material recycling Backend process. Also, it is fundamentally flawed to exclude energy aspects from Collect-Control and Backend processing.

Essential for sustainable decision-making is the elaboration of the Circular Materials Plan (CMP1) promised by the Minister to be published by mid-February 2023, including an analysis of the desired material flows in the context of the Circular Economy of the Netherlands.

The NVC Survey The future of the packaging recycling in the Netherlands certainly will take into account the insights of the CMP1. The results of the NVC Survey will be presented on 5 April 2023.

Finally, an analysis of the timeframe leading up to the Draft AVV decision over the past twelve months. In the spring of 2022, we communicated our concerns to the Stichting StAV and on 11 May 2022 we met with the management. We had constructive discussions with various industries, the policy department of the Ministry, the Inspectorate and several Members of Parliament.

A total of over hundred NVC member companies actively participated in one or more of the NVC member meetings on the topic. NVC attended the parliamentary debates of the relevant Lower House parliamentary committee and actively shared the information with NVC member companies and the industry as a whole.

The Draft Decision with an intended entry into force of 1 January 2023, was published on 7 November 2022. Given the deadline for the submission of PERSPECTIVE by interested parties like NVC (six weeks, i.e. until 19 December 2022 at the latest) and the intended entry into force of 1 January 2023, the Minister has only a week and a half to make a decision. This is questionable for a dossier with an impact of at least ≤ 2 billion in costs for business and - in our view, much more importantly - with an obligation to future generations to now actually start making an end to packaging as an environmental problem in the Netherlands and worldwide.

Based on the above, one conclusion must unfortunately be that the policy structure in place since 2013 to manage packaging collection and recycling has serious shortcomings anno 2022. This entails significant risks for the Netherlands society, both in terms of costs in an economically turbulent period and in terms of (not) meeting environmental targets in a world where environmental issues rightly need to be addressed.

The decision-making on Draft Decision IENW/BSK-2022/ 263822 by Ms. VLWA Heijnen MSc., Minister for Infrastructure and Water Management, regarding a General Binding Declaration AVV of the levies by the StAV Waste Fund Foundation (Stichting Afvalfonds Verpakkingen) is a decisive benchmark in the context of the above.

3. Policy recommendations for the year 2023 and beyond

With regard to the Draft AVV Decree, we submit the following recommendations for the Minister's consideration. Of course, the Minister is free to adopt them entirely, partially or not at all. In all cases, we would appreciate receiving a motivation and will actively share them with our member companies and the sector as a whole.

- 1. Postpone your final Decision until 1 July 2023.
- 2. Include in your final Decision the insights from your CMP1 (to be published mid-February 2023) and ideally the results of the NVC Survey the future of the packaging recycling in the Netherlands 2023-2027 (results known 5 April 2023).
- 3. As a condition for a final Decision, ask the Stichting StAV for an analysis addressing the years 2023-2027 of the budgeted costs in relation to the environmental results. This analysis should also include the impact of the various Stichting KIDV recycling checks on costs and environmental results to be achieved.
- 4. In your final Decision, require the Stichting StAV to pre-determine rates for all years covered by the AVV.
- 5. As part of your final Decision, request disclosure of the performance agreement between Stichting StAV and Stichting KIDV including the annual reviews for the past years 2013-2022.
- 6. Engage Parliament prior to your final Decision, especially in the run-up to the public meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on IenW in the spring of 2023.



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SLIMFRESH

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The versatility of the product and its immediate display are the strengths of his new packaging. In addition, thanks to a completely customazible paper based with four colour printing, it offers a new advertising solution and it also give the opportunity to pack irregular shapes for better merchandising.

Upon request, **Slimfresh** can be produced with paper branded FSC (Forest Stewardship Council). FSC, is the international NGO that established a certification system to ensure responsible forest management and sustainability in the wood-paper supply chain. FSC issues two different certifications: FMC (Forest Management Certification) and COC (Chain of Custody).

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A range of labellers for production speeds of 1,500 to 50,000 b/h

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For the high volume PET market, such as the water and soft drinks sector, Makro Labelling has developed the **MAK Roll Feed** series of rotary labellers. The 6,000 b/h to 40,000 b/h production speed and use of wrap-round plastic labels on a reel with hot melt application guarantee maximum economic benefits in the production process. The modularity of the machine also allows the roll feed unit to be replaced with a hot melt unit for pre-cut, wet glue or self-adhesive labels. Again designed for the water





and soft drinks market, but needing between 6,000 and 16,000 b/h, the new series of **MAKLINE Roll Feed** labellers features motorised axles and brushless motors to minimise costs while maintaining meticulous labelling quality.

The new **double-station selfadhesive MAKLINE** is, on the other hand, designed for the beverages, food, detergent and pharmaceutical sectors. It packages large and small containers and offers the same high quality labelling as a rotary machine. In common with the entire Makro range, the MAKLINE is fitted with the **Vision Control** system to verify the quality and correctness of the packaging and manage rejects.

The **Follower** optical guide system (an exclusive patent) enables the bottles to be aligned for application of the labels in precise positions with respect to a reference on the bottle and reduces format change times and costs. It is available in carbon fibre and fitted with a line scan camera. Thanks to a special, patented paper delivery system, the new **MAK AHS2** self-adhesive labelling module responds to the need for faster, more precise machines. It guarantees a linear speed of 100 metres a minute at a label pitch of 20 mm.

The technical and R&D departments monitor the market closely to understand its demands and anticipate them with new solutions able to offer efficiency, speed and a concrete response to specific labelling needs. Latest developments include the prototype of C Leap, a new, truly revolutionary labelling system, and two new inspection systems - M.A.I.A. (Makro Advanced In-line Analysis) and A.L.I.C.E. (Advanced Label Inspection and Control Environment) - which guarantee high performance, less production rejects and the highest finished product quality. 🏛

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Achieving excellence by focusing on the continuous improvement of quality of products, services and processes and designing a sustainable production model to ensure environmental and human respect are the main values that drive the definition of the strategies and everyday actions.

A constant consolidation of the market share and the new challenging opportunities in the packaging industry have been the main drivers for Fiorini International to become a strategic partner in the Drive to Paper process and in the design of sustainable packaging solutions, fully and easily recyclable, compliant with existing filling technologies, according to the European directives.

In order to measure and evaluate sustainability and performance and design the path for a sustainable development, Fiorini International has started its sustainability performance assessment with a series of activities focused on minimising environmental impact and to creating awareness of sustainability culture, offering solutions and answers to the community and engaging the entire company network, supporting by a strategic scientific partner Università Milano Bicocca and Toroto, a leading environmental company.

The company commitment to sustainability development has been awarded with the Leader in Sustainability 2023 award: the important acknowledgement is the result of a research by II Sole 24 Ore and Statista that examined about 1,500 Italian companies based on 45 key sustainability environmental, social and economic indicators.

The continuous analysis of trends and consumer habits, and the ongoing research into technological solutions and innovative materials have aided an organic and rapid growth in the packaging industry, leading the company to successfully diversify production, while firmly maintaining the ecofriendly commitment to the exclusive use of paper, FSC certified in compliance with the forest chain of custody and ecosystem.

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olcezze Savini is a company based in Tuscany that for three generations has passionately been working in the art of bread and pastry making, using old processing techniques and carefully selected ingredients. From its factories in Valdarno, for over fifty years Dolcez-

ze Savini has been baking high-quality products such as the famous bread cooked in a wood-burning oven, made with Tuscan wheat.

In addition to the different varieties of bread and pizza made with different types of flour, the Valdarno brand bo-





asts a rich pastry production that also includes the typical traditional pastries from Siena produced by the historic company Fiore 1827, acquired by Dolcezze Savini in 2017.

Among these specialities there are three important IGP products: two of them are from Siena and they are Panforte and Ricciarelli, while the almond biscuits named Cantuccini are linked to the Tuscan territory.

For a long time, Dolcezze Savini has focused its activity on a production that pays particular attention to the importance of some elements such as natural ingredients, reduced gluten products, Dolcezze Savini's artisanship meets Tecno Pack's technological innovation



palm oil-free products and a clearer labelling system.

The current size of the company, which counts more than a hundred employees in total, has not affected the original characteristics of Dolcezze Savini, confirming its vocation for craftsmanship, its dedication to quality and its desire to be at the forefront of the technology used in its factories.

In this regard, in 2019 the company built a new production plant of over 4,000 meters with the clear intention of investing in technological innovation. Alongside the integration of two new semi-automatic lines for the production of partially baked bread, the new investment has opened more space for artisanal production with the strengthening of the production of handmade pizza dough. The company has also developed a complete electronic management system, making it part of the world of industry





4.0. This innovation process has found full achievement in the strengthening of its packaging sector, for which Dolcezze Savini has called upon the group Tecno Pack, a leading company in the supply of packaging technologies.

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The partnership between Tecno Pack and Dolcezze Savini has resulted in the development of three packaging lines, specifically designed by the group for the bread sector of the Tuscan company. These, in detail, are the new packaging lines implemented in the production system of Dolcezze Savini:

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- The FP 015 line for sandwiches. This horizontal pillow pack wrapper

has a particular cantilevered frame with easy accessibility that helps sanitation, both for hygienic and maintenance reasons, guaranteeing full safety at work.

At the same time, the historical production carried out by Fiore 1827 was also implemented with the purchase of a vertical + multi-head packaging machine to improve the type of packaging and achieve greater production efficiency.

With the selection of these tailormade solutions, designed according to the production needs of Dolcezze Savini, the Tecno Pack group not only proves to be a leading manufacturer in the sector of packaging machines and systems but also confirms to be the ideal partner to integrate new technologies created as "tailor-made" solutions according to specific automation requirements.

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EXPLORING TRACEABILITY IN THE BEVERAGE INDUSTRY: FROM PRODUCTION TO CONSUMER

A journey through technologies and practices ensuring safety and transparency in beverage products

n recent years, traceability has become a key concept in the beverage industry. Consumers are increasingly interested in knowing the origin and quality of the products they purchase, prompting companies to implement increasingly sophisticated systems to ensure safety and transparency throughout the entire production chain. In this article, we will explore the technologies and practices that are revolutionizing the concept of traceability in the world of beverages.

One of the primary tools used for traceability is radio frequency identification (RFID) technology. This technology allows for the application of small RFID tags to bottles, containing unique digital information. RFID tags



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can be read and recorded during each stage of the production and distribution process, enabling companies to monitor and trace the journey of each individual bottle. This means that product authenticity can be



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verified, potential security issues can be identified, and detailed information about the entire supply chain can be obtained.

In addition to RFID, another technology that is gaining increasing importance is blockchain. Blockchain is a distributed and immutable digital ledger that securely and transparently records transactions. In the beverage industry, blockchain can be used to create reliable and tamperproof traceability. Every transaction, from the purchase of raw materials to beverage production, can be recorded on the blockchain, allowing companies and consumers to access detailed information about the origin, ingredients used, and production practices. This ensures high food safety standards and promotes consumer trust in the product. However, traceability is not just about technology. Sustainable practices and collaboration among the various parties involved in beverage production are equally important. Many companies are committed to working in partnership with raw material suppliers, manufacturers, and distributors to ensure accurate traceability of beverage products while adhering to sustainability standards. This active involvement of all stakeholders contributes to creating a responsible and transparent supply chain.

Furthermore, the use of labels and warranty seals is another common tool to guarantee traceability in the beverage industry. Labels can provide information about the place of production, expiration dates, and quality certifications. Warranty seals, on the other hand, indicate that the product has not been opened or tampered with. These elements provide additional guarantees to consumers regarding the safety and authenticity of the products they are purchasing.



AI, digitalization, food safety: the future of technology for the food industry is on display at Cibus Tec

utrition and technology, these two intertwined concepts represent the beating heart of innovation for the food industry. On the consumers' side, the market is more varied and demanding with each passing day; that requires food companies to be up to a complex task, which is to identify and anticipate all sort of needs.

Moreover, food companies are nowadays coping with the emerging necessity of developing new virtuous Held in Parma from 24th to 27th October, the trade show marks the comeback of China to European food-tech events and confirms its long-established mission to showcase innovative solutions for the whole industry





and efficient production models, featuring smart digital hi-tech options, innovative packaging solutions and – last but not least – new tracking systems for the industrial production.

These are the very burning issues around which a crucial match is to be played for several sectors related to the food industry. All these themes represent the core focus of Cibus Tec, the well-established Italian exhibition (and authentic milestone in the European expos' calendar of food tec and innovation events), taking place in Parma from 24th to 27th October 2023.

THE NUMBERS – 40,000 visitors are coming from all over the world.

Over 1,000 exhibitors (representing 30 different countries) are ready to showcase hundreds of innovative food technology solutions to the thousands of operators attending the show. Italy will be represented by all its top brands, but many other leading countries in the field of innovation, such as Germany, Spain, Netherlands, Turkey, India, USA and China, will bring their most renowned companies (incidentally, the complete catalogue is now available at the link https://catalogo.fiereparma.it/manifestazione/cibustec-2023/).

Speaking of China, this edition marks its comeback to the European trade show scene, representing an enormous asset for Cibus Tec, since it strengthens its cosmopolitan vision.

This is even more evident considering the size of this year's buyers program, involving more than 3,000 VIP operators coming from the most important global hubs of food processing.

The program is made possible by huge targeted investments and the long-term cooperation with both ITA – Italian Trade Agency and the Emilia-Romagna Region.







START-UPS: AN AUTHENTIC ADDED VALUE FOR THE EX-PO – Cibus Tec is undoubtedly the ideal stage to unveil the most interesting innovations and applications of AI. 100 accurately selected startups from every part of the globe will offer a complete overview on topics of interest related to food processing, such as cultivation, packaging and nutritional analysis processes.

FOOD SAFETY: A CRUCIAL POINT – With regards to the former topic, Cibus Tec develops a specific focus, confirming and reinforcing its positioning as the main platform to discuss food safety in the Italian landscape.

There are no doubts about the importance of this theme, which is gaining prominence thanks to the interest of a growing number of conscious consumers, who are more and more interested in the origins and the quality of the food they daily bring on their table.

This trend, that has not gone unnoticed by Cibus Tec organizers, is forcing a structural rethinking of many processes and paradigms, involving all the members of the sector, from producers to food processers, not to mention distributors and food tech suppliers. The main goal of all these players, meeting in Parma next October, is to put on the market safer and better tracked products, if possible, supported by a simple, clear communication, allowing consumers to seriously rely on the brands and build up a long-term trustful relationship with them.

That is why the next edition of Cibus Tec, taking place in Parma from 24th to 27th October 2023, is going to be remembered as a special occasion for food tech. Visitors will join a leading platform, where they may start a dialogue on the future of the industry and share knowledge on a bunch of complex and serious issues for the whole food sector.





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New Success for AKOMAG

n recent years there has been a strong growth in the market of gallon water bottles, both in Italy and worldwide.

Dispensers showed a positive trend, apart from the temporary setback caused by the Covid-19, mainly involving offices, factories, warehouses and various communities.

The success of gallon bottles, in particular those of reusable PET or PC bottles, obviously involves the need to guarantee the safety of water, and consequently the cleaning of containers and dispensers. Which must be accurately and periodically sanitized. The water used to fill the gallon bottles, which can be natural spring water or water from other sources, must comply with the quality parameters defined in Community legislation on water intended for human consumption.

Used empty gallon bottles, if still intact, can be reused. But before being inserted in a new filling cycle, they must be inspected for integrity, absence of discoloration and possible odours.

After that, they must be washed with water and specific detergents and rinsed thoroughly with special machines. Like those built by Akomag, for example, an Italian company specialized in the design and production of machines and plants for the bottling industry.

Washing, rinsing, filling, capping The Monobloc washer for gallon bottles Sira has been designed by Akomag for washing and sterilizing PET or PC gallon bottles or other bottles of various sizes, to be filled with still water.

The washing cycle adapts to the various production needs of the end customer and is very effective. For this machine Akomag has designed and produced a special spraying and brushing device for gallon bottles that ensures total cleanliness.

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ply setting the type of container to be handled on the control keyboard.

The stainless steel control board installed next to the monobloc is easily accessible for the operator.

The panel is equipped with a touchscreen for the complete management of all line functions, and the display of operating parameters and alarms

The Monobloc features an automatic de-capper in stainless steel: a pneumatic system grips the bottle neck while ejecting the cap. The system is



safe, but it can be equipped with a system for the selection and ejection of gallon bottles that have not been properly de-capped.

The bottles are then filled by means of special inverter- controlled pumps.

A valve designed by Akomag guarantees a laminar flow and no contact between the valve and the bottle.

The filling is carried out by means of a special metering device that ensures extreme filling accuracy.

The capper consists of soundproof vibrating hopper, a descent channel, and a tear-off pick-up head.

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nterested in the world of meat grinding, Ezio designs and develops a line of accessories for meat grinders, in particular it specializes in the production of molds and knives that largely satisfy most of the manufacturers of plants for the food industry and producers of cured meats on the market.

Ezio, starting from simple ideas, brings to the market an increasingly innovative and quality product over the years.

In 1991 Ezio left the family business to his son Dario, who has always been very passionate about the world of small mechanical parts, he brings the company into constant professional growth and expansion on the Italian and foreign market

Since 2007, always attentive to market developments, the Nirso company has been buying new numerical control automation systems with software able to control in a precise and detailed way the various processing phases

In 2017, Dario studies and manufactures a patented and certified cutting kit for food use for the production of mortadella, which allows to bring numerous benefits in the grinding phases.

After numerous steps between mechanical tests and paperwork, this patent repays Dario for many difficult moments, when the competition was strong and the market difficult to scratch.

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requested in the preparation of foods such as cured meats.

Another strong point of the company concerns the sharpening of molds and blades of any shape and size, with a department that presents high quality machinery.

In 2017, Dario added his son Marco to the company staff, representing the third generation, who deals with marketing and communication, supporting his father Dario in the various stages of mechanical processing, to steal all the secrets. In 2021, thanks to the determination of his son Marco, the company proudly participated in the Meat Tech fair concerning the process and product technologies of the meat industry in Milan from 22 to 26 October, in conjunction with Host and Tutto Food

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Solve Fermentation Challenges Through APPROPRIATE VALVE SELECTION

By Rodolphe Karpe, Product Marketing Manager, Fluid Control and Pneumatics, Europe at Emerson

ith the explosion of craft beers, demand for new wine blends and rise of international distilleries, the alcohol business is booming. This proliferation has given consumers more choices than ever and expanded the alcoholic beverage market both regionally and around the world.

Whether you're a small-town brewer, boutique winemaker or multimilliondollar global brand, it's essential that your products maintain the same high levels of quality and taste to keep up with demand, despite such variability.

The secret to meeting customer expectation every time lies in your fermentation process.

To ensure quality, consistency and taste across various beverage styles and flavors, the fermentation process requires exact temperature control. To precisely control heating and/or cooling parameters, control tanks must be equipped with the right valve system.

Too often, valves experience short service lives and other performance issues that can cause temperature fluctuations — compromising beverage quality and costing precious time and money.



The fermentation process in the beverage industry requires precise temperature control

Common Obstacles Make Tank System Upgrades Difficult

Alcoholic beverage producers typically control tank temperatures, and therefore the fermentation process, using glycol or ammonia systems.

Depending on your system, it's also important to select valves that are rated to handle the appropriate me-



dium. In propylene glycol systems, for example, this nontoxic liquid medium flows through thermal jackets surrounding the fermentation tanks. In a



closed circuit, the glycol is pumped through and cooled in a chiller before it flows back down through the jackets. The chilled glycol then cools the tanks and their contents.

Because fermentation is such a vital process, it's no surprise beverage makers look for opportunities to install or upgrade their tank cooling and heating systems.

But these modifications aren't without their challenges. Many facilities, particularly smaller operations, have limited physical space.

As a result, tank systems need to be positioned as close as possible to each other to maximize floor space and remain accessible during maintenance — making innovative yet costly tank designs a necessity.

Other challenges include:

- High energy costs. Energy is one of the largest overhead costs in the food and beverage industry

 including alcoholic beverage production. Because fermentation is considered a wet environment, beverage makers also need to have additional electrical safety features in place.
- Extensive installation and maintenance. Depending on the size and number of tanks, the labor required for piping and wiring can be costly and time-consuming. In addition, maintenance and upkeep become all the more complex — increasing potential downtime.



• **Possible product loss.** For wineries, in particular, any issues that compromise batches during extended fermentation periods equate to several years' worth of lost time, materials and cost.

In addition to ensuring precise temperature control, proper valve selection can address the challenges associated with installing, maintaining and upgrading fermentation heating and cooling systems.

By choosing the right valves, you can save equipment space, conserve energy and optimize productivity.

How To Select Valves That Overcome Fermentation Challenges

Whether you're spending too much time on piping or you're a startup operation with limited resources and space, Emerson can help you select the right fluid automation product to meet your unique needs. In addition to their reliability and durability, our products provide the industry's longest expected service life — maximizing your uptime during every precious minute of the beverage-making process.

Choose from the following valve solutions, all of which are suitable for systems using glycol or ammonia:

Two-Way Valves. Two-way valves are a traditional, tried-and-true valve type for fermentation heating and cooling systems.

These high-flow solenoid valves come in a range of pressure ratings, sizes and resilient materials like brass or stainless steel — providing long service life and low internal leakage. Many feature low electrical consumption and are mountable in any position — boosting their installation flexibility in tight or limited configurations. Look for an IP65 rating for use in fermentation and other wet environments.



IP washdown solutions eliminate contamination and protect components from corrosion that may cause downtime



High-flow solenoid valves, such as the ASCO Series 8210, provide long service life and low internal leakage in heating and cooling systems

Solenoid Valves. Solenoid valves include several electrical enhancements that achieve even greater energy savings and longer service life.

Look for valves that incorporate power management circuits, as well as electrical surge suppression to both the solenoid and electronic controls. These features result in energy savings that can lower your total cost of ownership by 14 percent.

In addition, these valves accept both AC and DC voltages without sacrificing flow or pressure specifications, increasing DC performance up to 500 percent by today's industry standards.

Because the valve's DC characteristics now rival AC pressure and flow values, you can eliminate AC output cards to simplify control, reduce wiring costs and provide safer working environments for DC users.

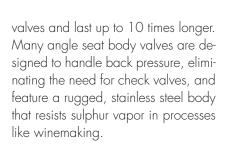
Solenoid valves also eliminate the hum associated with AC voltage and have expanded AC and DC operating temperatures. They also extend product life through low solenoid temperature rise, and they meet UL, CSA and CE approvals and RoHS 2 compliance.

Angle Seat Body Valves. Air-op-

erated, direct-acting angle body seat valves are ideal for aggressive and high-viscosity fluids. Many models feature a straight-through design and wide range of advanced options, including a signaling box, compact positioner for proportional control and stroke limiter.

These valves are the preferred alternative to diaphragm and ball valves. They allow tight shutoff in both directions and contain no bleed holes, eliminating the chance of glycol plugging and the possibility of related tank temperature fluctuations.

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Automation Further Improves Temperature Control

In addition to proper valve selection, it's important to consider automating your fermentation heating and cooling systems to achieve even greater thermal precision.

For example, the G3 Electronic Fieldbus Platform makes this process quick, simple and painless. G3 integrates communication interfaces and input/ output (I/O) capabilities into your pneumatic valve manifolds, which enables your PLC to more efficiently turn valves on and off, as well as channel temperature data from resistance temperature detector (RTD) sensors. Compact and modular, G3 includes a range of innovative features to enhance your fermentation operation, including a graphics display for easy commissioning and fault diagnosis, as well as compatibility with a range of industrial communication protocols, including Ethernet, PROFINET, DeviceNet and many others.

The right valves in combination with the G3 automation platform provide a single solution that overcomes many of the challenges preventing alcoholic beverage makers from installing, expanding or upgrading their fermentation systems.

In addition to saving space, conserving energy and improving critical uptime, this combination delivers the peace of mind that comes with knowing your beverages — no matter the style, flavor or blend — are achieving only the highest levels of quality, consistency and taste.

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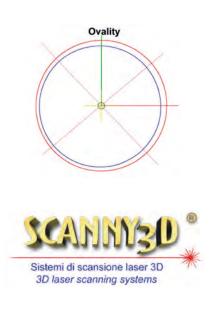
S canny3D has designed and developed a double laser spot rotating 3D scanner. It is a patented device, 100% "Made in Italy" that performs a 360 ° scan without contact, at high speed, at very high resolution and in a completely automatic way.

The 3D scanner allows you to digitize and analyze bottles, plastic bottles, containers of any material and shape and various accessories.

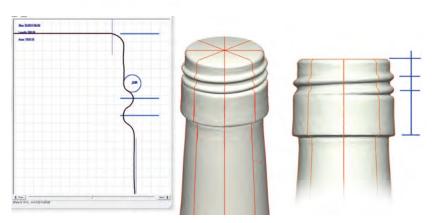
The device returns a high fidelity 3D model and the supplied software offers numerous functions designed specifically for the beverage, packaging and bottling sector, among which the possibility of exporting the 3D model as a "solid", thus ensuring maximum compatibility with the main CAD-CAM software.

The scanner management software contains many features, including: section analysis and measurement; assessment of the centers of gravity; automatic alignment; symmetry calculation; quality check; evaluation of inclination and stability etc.

One of these functions, for example, allows you to obtain and analyze all







the sections of the bottle, easily carry out all measurements, evaluate the centroids of the sections, align the 3D model based on the center of gravity or the symmetry of a section and more. Among these numerous features, one is of particular importance for quality control on bottles.

This function allows you to geometri-

cally and numerically evaluate the deformations of a bottle with respect to the "theoretical" model or with respect to a reference bottle.

With this function, the software automatically calculates and displays the ovality of a section of the bottle, the accuracy of the bottleneck screw, the

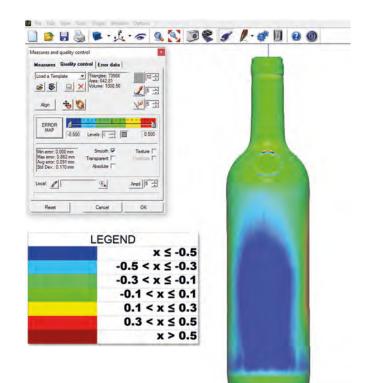


symmetry of the neck, the inclination (slope) of the bottle with respect to the plane, any deformations in the lateral surface of the bottle., and much more. The automatic screw control of the bottleneck, among other things, is very important to ensure a perfect closure of the cap.

These geometric evaluations are carried out automatically by the software, which generates both a graphical and numerical report, and it is possible to export the results in various formats (eg Excel) for statistical purposes.

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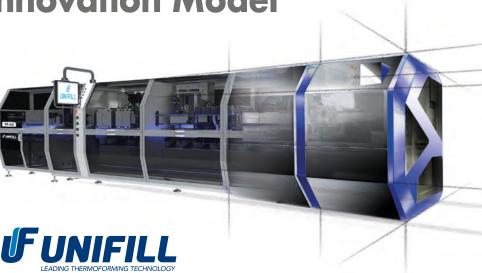
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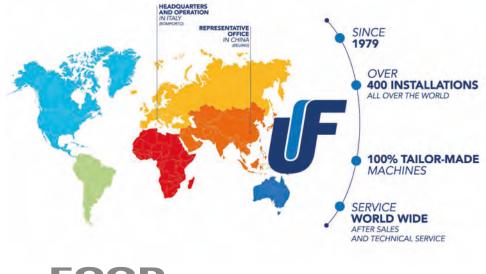


We are at a turning point in history

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leading suppliers in the design and production of sustainable materials. The process of studying and researching new materials cannot be carried out individually. Companies and suppliers must work together to achieve this goal. We are at a turning point of history. It is no longer a question of whether or not to adhere to particular innovation process. The point is whether we want to be spectators or protagonists. For UNIFILL, sustainability and attention to the environment have therefore become a constant focus of its business and is ready to play a leading role not only in paper solutions, but also using recyclable materials with single polymer (e.g. mono PE, mono PET and PP). 🏛

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Why dosing is so important in food processing?

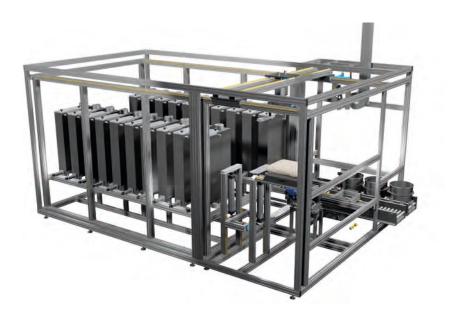
Weighing is a key element of the food production process for quality compliance: dosing the proper amount of ingredients is extremely important to fulfill recipe specifications and constant quality requirements.

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weighing department employs operators who manually dose raw ingredients, resulting in difficult and complicated management in terms of weighing accuracy.

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Full automatic dosing system

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Semi-automatic dosing system

On the other hand, the semi-automatic weighing system can offer a good compromise: the robotic storage of powder products with the manual







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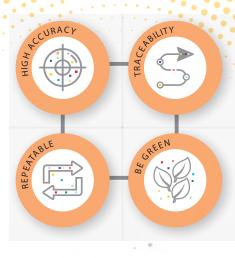






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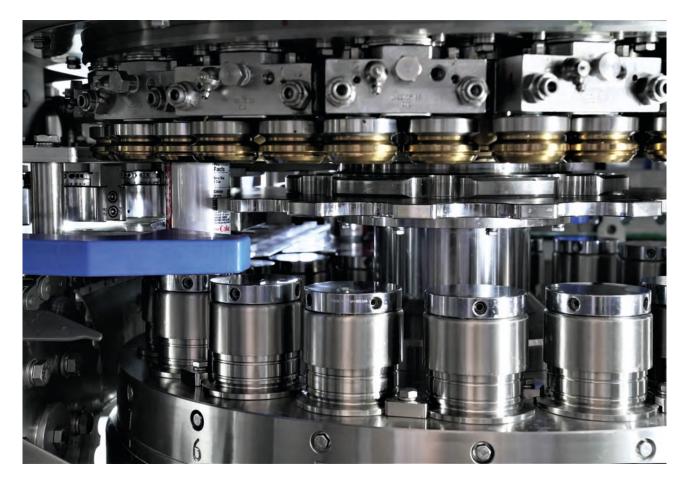


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n the late 1800's and early 1900's, the invention of the double seam - a means of folding 5 layers of material in a way that interlocks a can end with a can body – transformed Food and Beverage packaging by eliminating the need for soldered seams to achieve a hermetic seal. By 1910, Henry L. Guenther had taken this advancement to the next level by designing and patenting the first machinery to create these double seams on cans. With that invention, the Angelus Sanitary Can Machine company was founded, with a vision of creating the finest machines of their kind, anywhere in the world.

Today, more than a century later, and with more than 16,000 seamers sold

in 132 countries across the globe, Henry's vision has been realized, and the Angelus name is still recognized as the standard for excellence in seaming technology and equipment. Joined with Pneumatic Scale Corporation in 2007, the combined company of Pneumatic Scale Angelus is a global leader in the design and manufacture of packaging machinery for liquid and dry filling, capping, can seaming, and labelling applications as well as state-of-the-art container handling solutions. The company is a division of BW Packaging under the Barry-Wehmiller umbrella of companies.

In recent years, the company has introduced the Angelus V-Series line, designed to meet the specific needs of the Food and Beverage markets. The same technology used for high-speed seaming applications has also been scaled for the needs of the craft beverage space. Angelus has manufacturing facilities in Ohio in the United States, as well as its Parma, Italy location.

In nearly all markets Angelus serves, concerns for sustainability and increased, pandemic-driven demand for shelf-stable products created a surge in can demand and a subsequent shortage of them. Though pressures have eased somewhat, with can makers working aggressively to increase production, it will still take time for supply to catch up with demand.

In addition, the lightweighting of cans brings challenges to seaming





equipment, as lighter cans can often lead to an increased risk for can damage during production and even transportation. Seamer suppliers like Angelus are responding with innovations to seamer design and container handling.

For Pneumatic Scale Angelus, consistent communication with can makers helps drive not only future product design, but also current partnerships with customers to analyze production and mitigate potential areas for damage, not only at the seamer, but also upstream and downstream from the seaming process. Angelus currently has patents pending for several new developments in seamer design and container handling that it believes will provide superior solutions for its customers, as well as a competitive advantage for the company.

When asked about the future of sea-

mers for Food and Non-Food cans, Thomas Thiel, Product Line Leader for Can Seaming replied, "Angelus continues serving the Food and Beverage markets with seamers specially designed to address their unique needs. We have a long history of innovation in seaming, and we are excited about our plans to continue that legacy well into the future."

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Raytec Vision Introduces Opportunity: Al-Driven Optical Sorter Setting New Standards in Food Sorting

Cutting-Edge Technology Redefines Precision and Quality Assurance

R aytec Vision, a leading provider of optical sorting solutions, proudly announces the launch of Opportunity, an innovative optical sorter that harnesses the power of artificial intelligence (AI) to revolutionize food sorting. Designed to meet the highest standards of accuracy and quality, Opportunity is

set to transform the food processing industry.

Opportunity combines advanced imaging technology with state-of-the-art AI algorithms, enabling it to analyze and sort food products with unprecedented precision. Its intelligent system learns and adapts to various sorting requirements, ensuring consistent and reliable results. With this revolutionary technology, food producers can achieve optimal product quality, reduce waste, and enhance overall operational efficiency.

"At Raytec Vision, we are committed to pushing the boundaries of opti-





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cal sorting technology," said Nicola Avanzini, Head of Sales at Raytec Vision. "Opportunity represents a significant breakthrough, as it leverages AI to deliver unmatched results, setting new standards for the food processing industry."

The Al-driven capabilities of Opportunity enable it to identify and eliminate defects, foreign objects, and contaminants in real-time. By swiftly and accurately removing imperfections, companies can en-hance product quality and safety, thereby protecting their brand reputation and ensuring consumer satisfaction.

In addition to its precision sorting capabilities, Opportunity also offers a user-friendly interface, making easy for operators to monitor and manage the sorting process. Its intuitive controls, coupled with real-time data visualization, allow for efficient decision-making and quick adjustments, resulting in increased productivity.

"With Opportunity, we aim to empower food processors to deliver the highest quality products to their customers," added Nicola. "By leveraging AI and cutting-edge technology, we are re-defining what is possible in food sorting, while simultaneously improving efficiency and reducing costs." Raytec Vision continues to innovate and develop advanced solutions that address the evolving needs of the food processing industry. With Opportunity, food industries can embrace the future of optical sorting and achieve the utmost precision, quality, and efficiency in their operations.

For more information about Raytec Vision and their Al-driven optical sorter, Opportunity, please visit. 🏛

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SYNTEGON LAUNCHES new pick-and-place platform

- New robotic pick-and-place platform for product handling, feeding and loading
- Strong combination of industrial expertise, control and robotics technology
- Syntegon RPP: modular, individually configurable and scalable

he Covid-19 pandemic has further fueled the automation megatrend. Manufacturers of different products, especially food, increasingly rely on robotic solutions to automate critical process steps or to fully automate entire systems. Syntegon Technology has been offering robotic solutions for process and packaging technology for many years. With its newly developed robotic pick-and-place platform, Syntegon RPP, the company sets a new standard in the automation of packaging lines. "We are more than ready for the requirements for the factory of the future. Automation and robotics are important strategic focus areas for Syntegon," says Dr. Silke Blumer, Vice President Strategy and Product Management for the business unit Food at Syntegon.

The core functions of the newly developed RPP platform include quality assurance, user-friendliness and efficient production processes. "Thanks to our proven expertise in robotics combined with industrial know-how, we can offer our customers automated turnkey solutions from a single source," Blumer confirms. "We understand the food industry's requirements for machines and lines better than any other manufacturer – from



Each robotic cell of the RPP platform can be configurated individually to automate processes such as feeding, handling and loading.

process technology to primary, secondary and transport packaging."

Maximum flexibility thanks to individual configuration

The Syntegon RPP platform automates process steps such as handling, feeding and loading. The new robotics platform is designed as a modular system. This allows individual configuration of the robotic cells. "Each customer project is different. Thanks to the modular RPP platform, we can handle a wide variety of products. The Delta robots can be flexibly connected and, together with transport modules, seamlessly integrated into an overall system," explains Andreas Schildknecht, Product Manager Robotics at Syntegon. "Together with our customers, we can automate single process steps consecutively and in line with their needs or budgets, following the principle 'build as you grow'. Moreover, the platform can be scaled to suit different production





The new robotics platform is designed as a modular system and can be incorporated seamlessly into existing production lines.

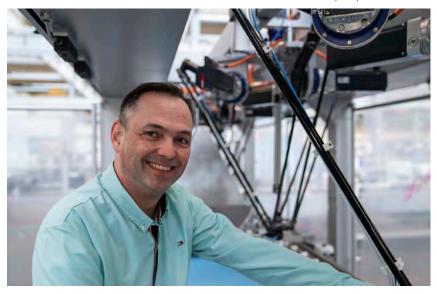
capacities, while multiple cells can be connected."

The open control software ensures the seamless integration of the Delta robots into the line. "The comprehensive integration of controls and hardware is essential for all components within the line to communicate with each other through a single control platform – and to function perfectly together," says Schildknecht. The platform, which was designed according to the latest UX aspects, ensures user-friendly operation. New features support the operators in making their daily work with the line easy and effective. The RPP cells provide excellent visibility, easy access and efficient cleaning. The stainless steel robotic cells meet the IP65 protection class. This minimizes the risk of

contamination for both current and future hygiene requirements in the food industry. Last but not least, the tool-free format changeover reduces downtime, allowing manufacturers to process different products on the same line and to respond quickly to changing market demands.

Automation is the future

"The growing need for more flexibility and efficiency will be increasingly realized by integrated robotics solutions. Automation is the future," Blumer is convinced. "With the Syntegon RPP platform, we are paving the way for future manufacturing. However, we have by no means reached the end of the road. Our unique combination of mechanical engineering, robotics and industry expertise makes



Andreas Schildknecht, Product Manager Robotics at Syntegon

the Syntegon RPP platform one step of many, albeit a very important one." In parallel, Syntegon will continue to develop further innovative automation technologies – and will soon introduce new developments to the market

Syntegon Technology is a leading global process and packaging technology provider. Formerly the packaging division of the Bosch Group, the company, headquartered in Waiblingen (Germany), has been offering complete solutions for the pharmaceutical and food industries for over 50 years. About 6,000 employees at 30 locations in more than 15 countries generated a total revenue of 1.3 billion euros in 2020. The portfolio of intelligent and sustainable technologies includes stand-alone machines, as well as complete systems and services. Fields of application in the pharmaceutical industry are the production, processing, filling, inspection and packaging of liquid and solid pharmaceuticals (e.g. syringes and capsules). In the food industry, the portfolio includes process technology for confectionery as well as packaging solutions for dry foods (e.g. bars, bakery products and coffee), frozen foods and dairy products.

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