



LICENSE TO PRODUCE

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ANIMAL BREEDING IS PART OF THE FOOD CHAIN

We all are totally independent on the ecosystems

- **Recycling nutrients, water**
- **Bacterial activity (N etc.)**
- **Pollination (bees etc.)**
- **Immunity systems (insects, animal and plant diseases)**
- **Decomposition of waste**
- **Diversity (genes etc.)**
- **Climate...**

WE ALL ARE MAKING BUSINESS ON NATURE RESOURCES - > BIG RESPONSIBILITY

Purity
AND RESPECT
FOR *nature*

GLOBAL TRENDS

– CHALLENGES AND STRENGTHS FOR ANIMAL PRODUCTION

More food,
more animal
protein



POPULATION GROWTH
- Middle class growth

Trans-
parency



**ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS
AND A NEW WAY OF LIFE**

Action



**GLOBAL WARMING
CLIMATE CHANGE**
- Diversity loss

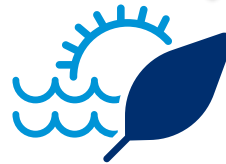
Efficiency



Services

DIGITALISATION
- Artificial Intelligence

Brains?



Feed - no
food



**INCREASING COMPETITION FOR
RESOURCES**

Less arable
land



URBANISATION

THE UN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS FOR 2016–2030 AIM AT ERADICATING POVERTY AND SAFEGUARDING WELLBEING IN ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE WAYS



SUSTAINABILITY IS INCREASINGLY MORE SIGNIFICANT TO CUSTOMERS, CONSUMERS AND EMPLOYEES

53%

of Finns consider sustainability a very important or important quality in a product or service

73%

of Finns are willing to pay more for a sustainably produced product or service.

49%

of Finns have decided not to buy a product or service that was unsustainably produced.

36%

would not apply for a job with an employer who operates unsustainably.

28%

would refuse to work for an unsustainable employer.





**CONSUMERS EXPECT COMPANIES TO PROVIDE SOLUTIONS
FOR GLOBAL PROBLEMS**



**NO MORE ONLY CLEANING FOOTSTEPS BUT LEAVEING
MORE HANDPRINTS**



CHALLENGES FOR ANIMAL BREEDING AND PRODUCTION:

1. MITIGATION OF THE CLIMATE CHANGE

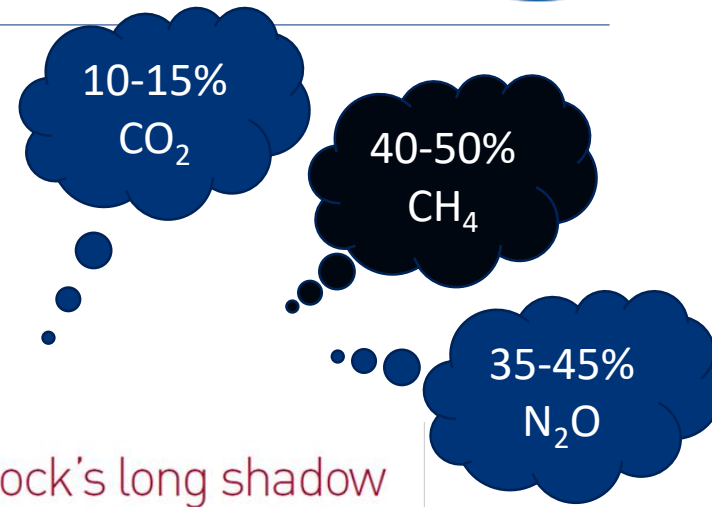
GHG IS THE PRIZE TO PAY FOR USING RUMEN BACTERIAS TO CHANGE FEED FOR HUMAN FOOD

- Methan
- Global animal production 7,1 gigatons CO₂ equiv. GHG = 14,5% all human caused GHG
- Footprint analyses do not pay attention on nutrition quality
- No clear standards on footprint analyses

Media

Social media

IPCC



livestock's long shadow
environmental issues and options

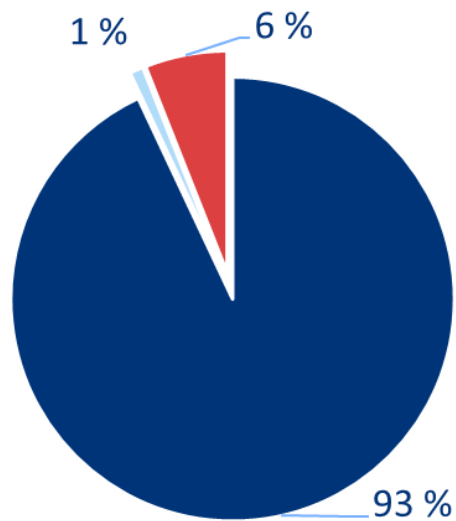


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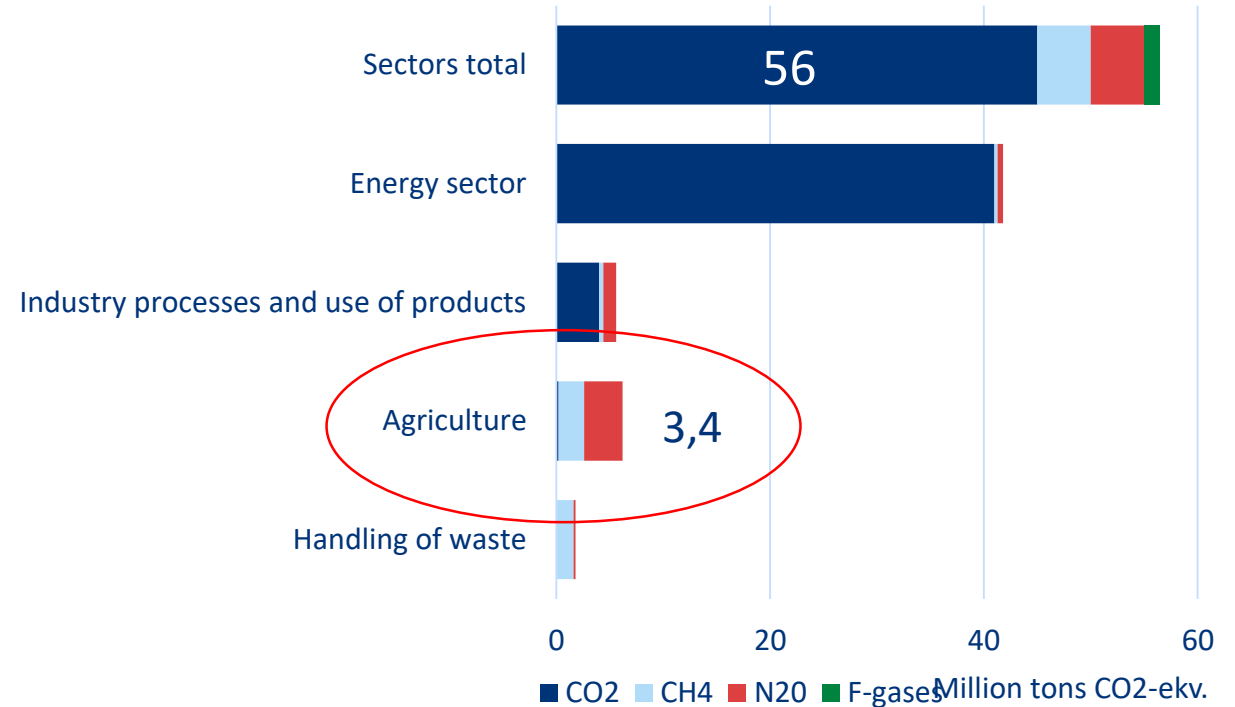
SCALES AND PROPORTIONS ARE NOT CLEAR FOR MOST OF THE PEOPLE

Greenhouse gas emissions in Finland 2017

Emissions of the milk sector around 4.4% of Finland's total 56,1 milj. tn GHG emissions

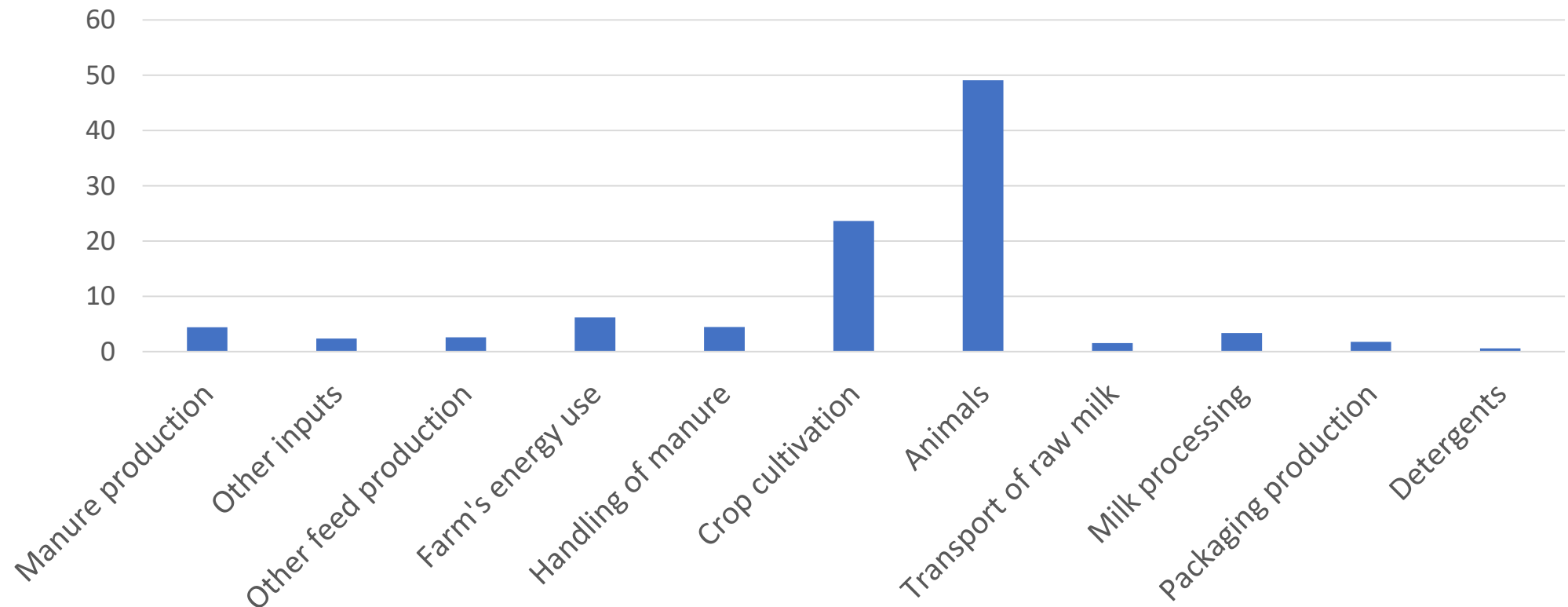


■ Primary production ■ Transportation ■ Milk processing



CARBON FOOTPRINT OF MILK IS BORN ON THE FARM, 1 KG ECM = 1 KG CO² EQV.

Milk's life-cycle analysis (low-fat milk),
emissions by source



Valio
Finland 2018



ACTIONS ARE NEEDED TO STOP GLOBAL WARMING

- **Emissions must be reduced in all sectors**
- **Emissions must be removed from the atmosphere
– only reducing emissions is not enough to achieve
the targets of Paris climate agreement**
- **We must leave fossil economy to
circular economy**

THE
know-how
AND
LOVE
OF MILK

CHALLENGES FOR ANIMAL BREEDING AND PRODUCTION :

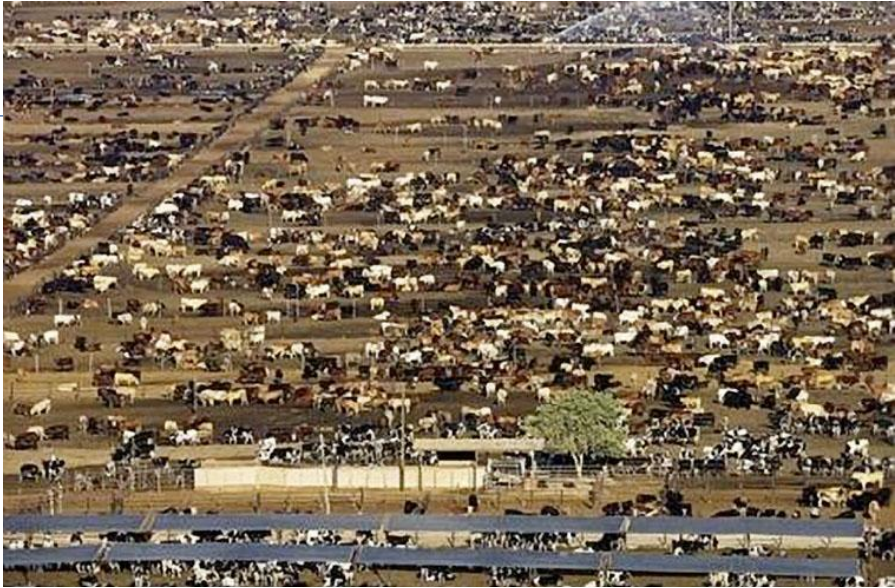
2. KEEPING UP THE TRUST OF CITIZENS AND AUTHORITIES

EVERYTHING IS OK IN AGRICULTURE?

#EndTheCageAge - European Citizens' Initiative (ECI)



PESTICIDES



LIVE ANIMAL TRANSPORT



across the EU.

One million animals are transported every day in Europe, most of them for slaughter. Live animal transport, especially over long distances, is a major animal welfare concern. Animals are often exposed to stress during loading and unloading, and can suffer because of heat, exhaustion, lack of space or rest. Transporting live animals also poses serious risks to human health. Scientific evidence shows that animals are even more vulnerable to disease during transport.



When animals are transported, current legislation to reduce animal suffering and existing rules need to be better enforced.



PICTURE OF ANIMAL BREEDING: MORE PRODUCTION

CLONING



Cloning is a technique of artificial reproduction to create identical animals. However, the cloning process is inefficient, wastes animal lives and has a huge potential to cause pain, suffering and distress at all stages of the process. It also has very low success rates: 10% in cattle and 6% in pigs. In addition, cloning compounds the view of farm animals as commodities rather than sentient beings. EU consumers and citizens are against this technique to produce food.

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BIOTECHNOLOGY



Modern biotechnologies are applied to animals for research (GA) animals. They are also used to develop a cloning) for the breeding of farm animals.

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GMO – MORE EFFICIENCY

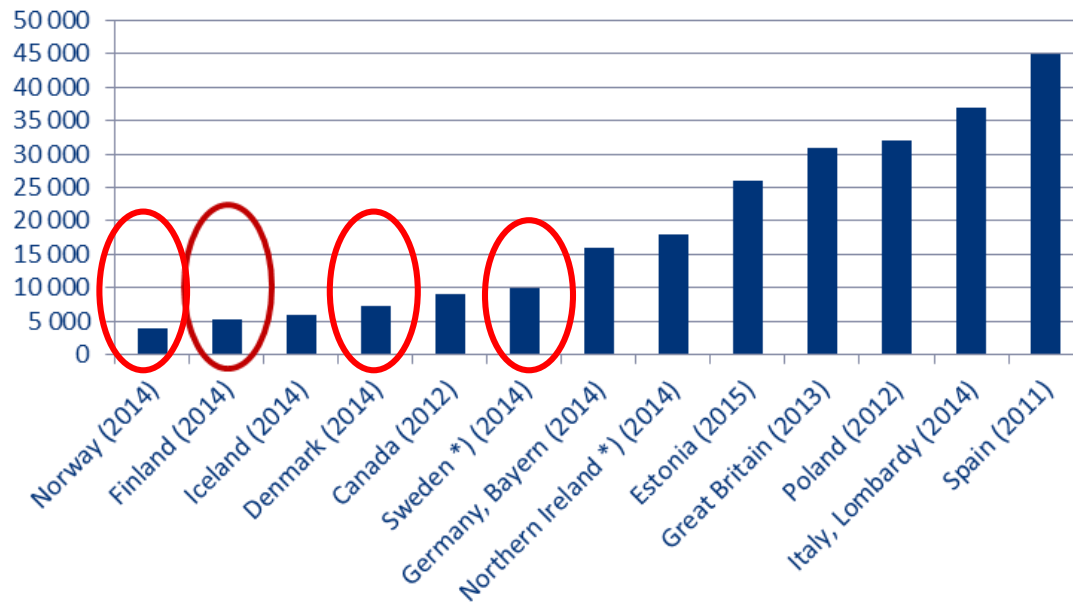
GENE EDITING – FOR BETTER HEALTH?



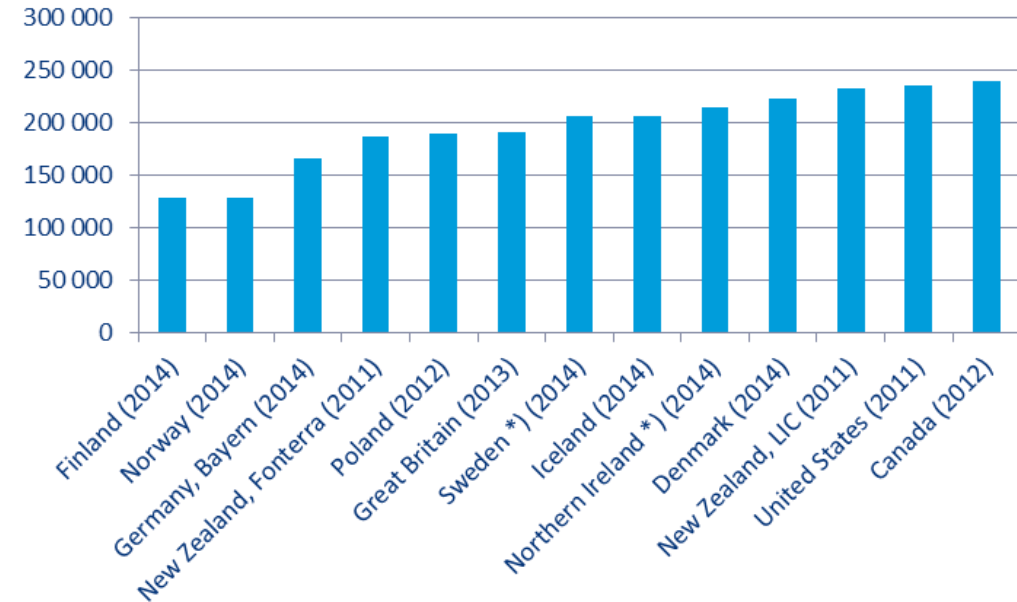
NORDIC MILK – AMONG THE CLEANEST IN THE WORLD

Cows in Nordic countries are among the healthiest in the EU and we use antibiotics only by a veterinarian to treat a sick animal.

Bacteria content (geometric mean)



Somatic cell content (geometric mean)



CHALLENGES FOR ANIMAL BREEDING AND PRODUCTION:

3. ANIMAL WELFARE



CONSUMERS' CONCERN

- **Bigger and bigger farms**
- **More and more production / animal**
- **No access to the pasture, tie-up barns**
- **Calf rearing**

**We have to get out of our silos and bubbles
- even if we are sure that we know best**

CHALLENGES FOR ANIMAL BREEDING AND PRODUCTION:

4. NATURE DIVERSITY



DIVERSITY MEANS SAFETY AND RESOURCES

- Resistance against increasing weather phenomenas, rain, floods, dryness, storms...
- Genetic diversity
- Breeds (learn from poultry, pork...)
- Soil care
- Recilience in cultivating
- Soy-free feeding saves rainforests

VALIO
100%
SOY-FREE FEED FOR
COWS ON VALIO FARMS



CHALLENGES FOR ANIMAL BREEDING AND PRODUCTION:

4. INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION



SOSIAL AND ECONOMICAL FAIRNESS

- **Economics**
- **Ownership of the breeding scheme**
- **Ownership of the gene resources**
- **Transparency inside and outside**
- **Democracy**
- **Co-operative principles – who gets the profit**



GENE POOL FOR THE FUTURE

- Adapt the global warming
- New traits?
 - feed efficiency
 - resistance for new deceases?
 - resitance for heat stress?
 - calf care?
 - utilization more grass in diet?
 - ?

INNOVATIVENESS
as
A DRIVING
FORCE



CHALLENGES FOR ANIMAL BREEDING AND PRODUCTION:

5. FEEDING THE FUTURE

ANIMALS HAVE A ROLE IN THE FUTURE FOOD SYSTEMS - BUT

“We should re-think the way - specially in the Europe - how the animals are used.

Re-think and avoid feed – food competition, breed and feed and house the animals in such a way that they utilize those biomass streams that we can not eat or do not want to eat – in a most efficient way. That also goes with consuming maybe a bit less animal source food in high income countries to allow the increase in other areas in the world”

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rUs_UwhMQLU

Imke de Boer: Do animals have a role in future food systems?” ,
Leroy Award 69th EAAP Annual Meeting, Dubrovnik.



CHALLENGES FOR ANIMAL BREEDING AND PRODUCTION:

5. STAY IN BUSINESS

A pastoral scene featuring a herd of cows grazing in a lush green field. In the background, a dense forest of tall, dark evergreen trees stands against a bright, hazy sky. The scene is split vertically: the left side is dark and shadowed, while the right side is brightly lit by sunlight. The text is overlaid on the left, dark side of the image.

TWO WAYS TO REACT

DEFEND

OR

ACT



MORE EFFICIENCY

- More efficiency – less emissions
- More efficiency – less acceptable by consumers?
- Meat and milk with from the same animal?
- Feed – food, no food for animals
- Carbon-neutral milk chain



ANIMAL BREEDING IN THE FUTURE

- Make possible to feed the increasing global population in a sustainable and safe way
- Nutrition needs of humans
- Support farmers' economics
- Environment issues
- Consumers' expectations

Purity
AND RESPECT
FOR
nature



- **Transparency**
- **Open the farms**
- **Put the animals on pasture**

**ACTIONS ARE NEEDED TO
INFORM THE CONSUMERS**

SUSTAINABLE MILK PRODUCTION AND CIRCULAR ECONOMY

REDUCING THE CLIMATE IMPACTS OF MILK PRODUCTION

The methane emissions of Finnish dairy farms have declined by nearly 50% over the past 25 years, mostly because of selective breeding

Current methods for reducing emissions include, e.g., the breeding and feeding of cows.

VALIO MILK FARM METHANE HACKATHON IN FEBRUARY 2018

FUTURE DAIRY FARM
TURNS METHANE INTO
NEW BUSINESS
OPPORTUNITIES



STOP CLEANING FOOTPRINTS – LEAVE HANDPRINTS





CO-OPERATIVE
OWNED
BY FARMERS



ANIMAL WELL-BEING



SUSTAINABLE MILK
PRODUCTION AND
CIRCULAR ECONOMY

 **Together** 
WE MAKE LIFE BETTER



INNOVATIONS PROMOTING
HEALTH AND WELL-BEING



TRANSPARENT
PROCUREMENT

TOWARDS A CARBON-NEUTRAL MILK CHAIN: THIS IS HOW WE WILL DO IT IN VALIO

Valio CARBO program

I. Grass as an efficient carbon sink and a novel raw material

max
50%

A. Modeling of environmental impact

II. Green cow –efficient milk production

max
10%

B Farm pilots

III. Feeding innovations

max
15%

C. Sustainability index for farms

IV. New technology in barn => ("zero-energy barn")

max
15%

V. Strategies to improve biodiversity

D. Collaboration network



Carbon-neutral
milk chain

Max
XX%

Potential to reduce emissions,
total



Pro
Manure
eco-
system

max
70%



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