

### **WEBINAR**

HOW TO MEET THE GROWING GLOBAL DEMAND FOR SUSTAINABLE RICE?

## WELCOME!



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## **Rice** Exchange

## **Rice Exchange**

 Rice Exchange is a digital marketplace for rice with an integrated supply chain solution underpinned by blockchain technology

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- Built and maintained by
- Launched in October 2020
- More than 100 users from over 40 countries
- Rice Exchange is part of Digital Commodity Exchange (DCX)



### Digital Commodity Exchange

- DCX builds trusted, transparent and efficient marketplaces for agricultural commodities
- Independent and fully integrated commodity trading solutions
- Incorporated in Singapore
- Two operating marketplaces: Rice Exchange and Fertilizer Exchange
- DCX Pulses and DCX Grain are in development (2022)
- DCX Freight and DCX Finance are stand-alone services

## DCX has a global presence

- Demand from the major rice buying markets
- Sustainable rice is being

adopted in many countries

#### Active user markets on DCX platforms



## **Opportunities for SRP rice producers**

90% of rice market participants see sustainable sourcing as a priority

Rice Exchange is a secure environment to trade premium rice Rice Exchange gives visibility on offers and demand for SRP rice Buyers on Rice Exchange are vetted providing a secure environment for parties to connect Verification is uploaded by the nominated inspector or seller and securely stored on the platform



## Rice Exchange gives sellers the tools they need

- A secure environment
- Connections with trusted buyers
- Efficient tools to manage trade documents and sustainable certifications
- No subscription fee US \$1 per tonne charged to the seller



## **Benefits for buyers and sellers**

- An immutable audit log
- Smart contracts and document-matching tool save time and money and reduce fraud
- Freight opportunities via
- Access to unique and competitive financing from CCX FREIGHT



- Fully integrated inspection services from Control Union, Cotecna, Intertek and ISC
- Price discovery



## **Rice Exchange Service Partners**



## What our users say

Since we became users of the Rice Exchange platform, our company has benefited from improved efficiency and faster processes. Uploading a trade request and agreeing terms with the seller is very easy. We can quickly and easily agree all contract terms. The biggest benefit is the establishment of long-term business partnerships based on trusted data. The Ricex platform is designed to safeguard against fraud and poor quality products. Parties participating in the business are reliable given the onboarding procedure."

Róbert Jakab, Managing Director at Emirates Foods



"We onboarded as soon as the Rice Exchange platform was live. We don't regret it as within a few days we concluded our first deal with a new buyer whom we connected to via the Rice Exchange platform. The process of negotiating was smooth and easy to understand. The contract was created within seconds of concluding the deal and our trusted inspection company, Cotecna, received an automated notification. We like the marketplace: the platform is well-designed and saves time and money when executing a rice trade. We expect to conclude more deals in the coming days. We would recommend this platform to all parties involved in rice trade."

Lakshya Agarwal, CEO of KLA Group in India Geowth with values... KLA@

## Register Now Exchange





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# Transforming the global rice sector for a sustainable future

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## SRP

## SUSTAINABLE RICE PLATFORM TOWARDS A HEALTHY, SUSTAINABLE & INCLUSIVE GLOBAL RICE SECTOR





## **Rice** - a critical impact commodity



**Rice consumes** 40% of the world's

irrigation water

depend on rice

farming

1 billion livelihoods

on rice as their staple food

Rice produces 10% of global methane emissions

Rice prices are highly sensitive to climate shocks as less than 10% of global rice production is traded internationally



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Source: Earth Security Group, 2019



### The forgotten crop?





### How to...

- Meet future rice demand
- Improve the lives of farmers and rural communities

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### Whilst...

- Reducing environmental impact
- Protecting biodiversity
- Increasing climate resilience



## The Sustainable Rice Platform (SRP)

"Feed the world. Sustainably"



- A global multi-stakeholder alliance
- Convened by UNEP, GIZ, IRRI and private sector partners
- >100 institutional members
- Registered as a not-for-profit member Association in Germany









### SRP tools: SRP Standard & Performance Indicators

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MARY 2020

- A widely-recognized working definition to benchmark rice sustainability
- Sustainable sourcing for private sector supply chains
- Compare sustainability of <u>any</u>rice system
- Monitor improvement/impact
- Normative basis for policymaking/advocacy
- Indicators linked to SDGs
- Reporting architecture for green finance





### **SRP Standard: Technologies supported**

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- Alternate wetting and drying
- **Direct Seeded Rice**
- Laser levelling
- **IPM / biologicals**
- Site specific nutrient management
- **Digital approaches**
- Knowledge-sharing



## SRP Approach & Reach

- Market: Value chain initiatives (sustainable procurement)
- Public: Drive scale through development partnerships
- Build capacity
- Demonstrate real-world impacts
- Facilitate S-S knowledge exchange

### **Registered SRP Projects**

 SRP Registered projects managed by SRP members are introducing the SRP Standard to > 400,000 farmers

### 22 active projects in 19 different countries, >400,000 farmers







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## **Rikolto's Sustainable Rice Programme**

## Active in 9 countries

> 50,000 rice producers, members of 57 rice producer's groups, associations, cooperatives and parboiling unions



## Sustainable rice for all

Sustainable rice cultivation Market inclusion for both consumers and producers Enabling environment

## Three cross-cutting themes

Youth inclusion

Gender equity





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Thank You

## **BEHOLD INTERNATIONAL**



## 🔹 EUROPEAN RETAILER & BRAND ENGAGEMENT

### **OVERALL PROJECT OBJECTIVE:**

Increase the value of the SRP Trademarks and broker relationships with downstream rice value chain actors to expand market penetration in Europe, and with that contribute to safeguard livelihoods of > 1 million smallholder farmers while minimizing environmental impacts of rice production.



## SUSTAINABILITY A mantra for retailers as well as consumers

sustainable products over the past five years

(before 2019)



92% of retailers expect sales in sustainableproducts to increase in the next five years (after 2019)

#### 35

### CONSUMER INSIGHTS Growing market trends for sustainability

### **Sustainability**

- Environment & Climate change
- Packaging, CO2 & Circularity
- Certification & quality standards

#### <u>Organic</u>

- Bio
- Certification
- Vegan

### Fair trade

- Conscious consuming
- True pricing & fair wages
- Origin, transparancy & blockchain

### Healthy living

- Pure healthy diet
- Health benefits
- Super food

### <u>Global vs local</u>

- Global cuisine
- Local produce
- Private labels vs specialty

### E-commerce / convenience

- Online groceries
- Convenience (OOH -Hello fresh)
- Covid 19 (working from home)

## EUROPEAN MARKET SEGMENTS OF IMPORTED RICE VARIETIES

Europe is not self-sufficient in rice. Around 60% of the demand is fulfilled by Europe's own production, leaving a need to import 1.8 million tonnes of husked and milled rice.

The most popular variety of specialty rice is basmati. Europe imported 371,000 tonnes of basmati rice in 2019/2020. The Netherlands and the United Kingdom are the biggest importers, followed by Italy, Belgium and France.







#### **Purchasing Power Europe**

- 480MMT produced a year
- 150m smallholders, 166m ha.
- EU (inc UK) imports 2MMT of non-European imports (1.6MM from Asia, mostly fragrant varieties)

#### Retail Landscape Europe

Norway: 6 chains UK: 29 chains Netherlands: 28 chains Germany: 44 chains Sweden: 8 chains Switzerland: 11 chains Austria: 14 chains Ireland: 12 chains Denmark: 9 chains Belgium: 14 chains





### **Retail Ambassadors for Sustainability Europe**

**SPAR International (NL)** 48 countries, 13.230 Stores, 14.5 million consumers every day.

#### Ahold (NL)

10 countries, 19 brands, 7,452 local groceries, 55 M shoppers each week.

### Plus (NL)

270 stores6.5% share of the Dutch grocery market

### Superunie (NL)

14 supermarket companies, 1800 stores, Dutch marketshare of about 30%.

#### Picnic (NL)

Online only With customers in 200 cities across the Netherlands, Germany, and France. Metro Group (DE) 30 countries, 681 stores 17 million customers.

LIDL GERMANY (DE) 32 countries, 11,200 stores.

**TESCO (UK)** 11 countries, 4,673 stores Market share of around 28.4% in UK

### MARKS & SPENCER (UK)

1,509 stores , 100 websites globally. 30 million costumers per year.

### DANSK (DK)

Salling Group. 3 countries (Denmark, Germany & Poland), 1400 stores.

COLRUYT (BE)

3 countries (Belgium, France, Luxemburg), 553 stores

### AXFOOD (SE)

1,137 stores, of which 274 are group-owned. Market share of approximately 20%

### COOP (CH)

2,478 stores. Coop accounts for half of all the organic food sold in Switzerland.

### **MIGROS (CH)**

The biggest Swiss supermarket chain. +600 large stores. 2 million Swiss residents are members.

### MARLEY SPOON EUROPE

Meal kits, 254.000.000



We recently conducted a survey among a broad base of **retailers**, **brands**, **millers**, **traders and other downstream rice actors and stakeholders in Europe**.

The findings show a significant interest and increase in sustainably produced rice in the near future:

- Over **90%** of respondents view sustainable sourcing as a priority.
- **70%** of the respondents already work with sustainable rice.
- 33% of respondents expect 70% of their rice volumes to be sourced from verified sustainable sources by 2025



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The **highest ranked** motivations for sourcing sustainable rice are:

- 1. Consumer sustainability interest
- 2. Reputation & business potential
- 3. Company sustainability policy

**Upcoming legislation** is <u>not</u> one of the main motivations.





The **main obstacles** in sustainable rice procurement are:

- 1. Not enough supply
- 2. Lack of sufficient consumer demand
- 3. High prices





Most of the respondents are interested in the SRP's **environmental areas** of focus:

Better land use and biodiversity
Ensuring better water management
Reducing greenhouse gas emissions
Creating climate change resilience

Boosting smallholder farmers incomes is also very relevant for the respondents.



## MARKET FORECAST 2025

Just like bananas and coffee, we expect sustainable <u>RICE</u> to become the norm.

We expect the European retail demand for sustainable rice to double towards 2025

with a EU potential <u>market share of > 50%</u> of sustainable rice procurement by 2030.





## Q&A



## THANK YOU!