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Innovation & Customer Co-Development



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Focus	The customer	The Market(s)
Process architecture	Aligned with Customer Buying Cycle	Traditional NPD process architecture
Decision competence	Go-To-Market teams	Central / Regional President
Implementation time frame	0 – 12 month +	6 – 36 month +



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The content of the service pack needs yet to be agreed, but is building on:

- Services outside of the value created by the 6 value drivers present within our solutions
- Services that may be split as to global, regional, industry or customers characteristics
- Building on synergies in supply chains & business strategies
- Linked to the customer segmentation



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The AAK Innovation process



Sensory: All proven aspects of the AAK solution that significantly contribute to a better sensorial experience in the end product



Functionality: All proven aspects of the AAK solution that significantly contribute to improved functionality in the end product



Process efficiency: All proven aspects of the AAK solution that significantly contribute to faster and more efficient product outcome



Health: All proven aspects of the AAK solution that significantly contribute to a healthier end product



Sustainability: All proven aspects of the AAK solution that significantly contribute to a sustainable supply chain



 Food safety: All proven aspects of the AAK solution that significantly contribute to a safe supply chain



The AAK Innovation process





The AAK Innovation process – Creation of insights

Our daily dialogue with our customers

Structured in depth interviews with customers and other stakeholders

Market data analysis

Easy access to the process by all AAK employees with on-line feedback and interactions

Research activities & regulatory initiatives



The AAK Innovation process – Technology drivers



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Major parts of main projects run internal at AAK

- Outsourcing of projects to selected preferred institutes in Europe and North America
- Selection of partners based on
 - Previous deliveries
 - The learning ability
- Outsourcing only on the ability of full AAK ownership of IP

Outsourcing partially include third party financing



Innovation is an integrated part of the AAK Way strategy

Innovation in The AAK Way is executed on different levels

Customer Co-Development covers the demands of our customers

• AAK Innovation creates the insights to cover future needs of the market

• Our technology pipeline creates the technology to meet future challenges





Innovation





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