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# EU FOOD SAFETY FORUM

Supporting the Food Safety Systems of the future

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#### **VISION**



Pioneering the next frontier of insect farming, natively converting food waste into high-value nutritional products, while addressing several UN SDG

#### **AMBITION**



Become a leading provider of insect-based nutritional solutions through an end-to-end circular production process

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#### **VALUE PROPOSITION**

Produce a range of high-value products targeting multiple end-markets: plant nutrition, feed, pet food

nextProtein is best positioned to benefit from financial upside resulting from further favourable regulation tailwinds, on the back



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Unique ability to manage a large variety of feedstocks



Advanced **discussions** with organic **waste retail** players

Ongoing R&D and Methods projects

#### Two operational sites with 10.6kt<sup>(1)</sup> production capacity by 2026



nextProtein operates a 4,000sqm(2) industrial plant in Grombalia, Tunisia

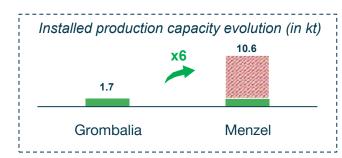


2<sup>nd</sup> site in Menzel, Tunisia, that will allow to reach10.6kt production capacity across the two sites by 2026



nextProtein's products and processes are compliant with **all EU standards** 

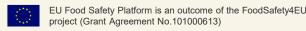
## Entering new stage of growth with significant increase in production capacity





- ✓ Authorisations obtained
- √ Sourcing secured
- ✓ LOI & off-takes signed





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#### nextProtein's contribution to the Eu's Food security

Addressing major sustainability challenges in food and feed sectors, in Europe and beyond



#### **Protein GAP**

10bn world population by 2050 thereby increasing protein demand by 4 times



#### **Food waste**

One third of all food produced around the world is wasted



#### **Pollution**

22% of GHG emissions generated by the food system



#### **Water scarcity**

70% of water used for agriculture



#### Wild fish shortage

2.6t wild fish meal to produce 1t of farmed salmon



#### **Arable land loss**

40% of arable land used for livestock



Thanks to their low natural resource consumption and waste-upcycling capacity, insects are the key enabler to tackle the world's most acute sustainability challenges



#### Circularity AND quality at the heart of nextProtein's business model



Usage of EU- authorised organic waste for larval feed formulation

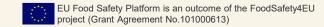


In 2019, nextProtein is the first player worldwide which obtained authorization to export its products to Europe (EU TRACES systems)



Since 2021, nextProtein is certified GMP+ FSA, a globally recognized system for ensuring compliance with strict quality and product safety standards





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#### nextProtein challenges as a pioneer

#### Main challenges

#### Regulatory & Quality Compliance

- need for new, consistent and uniform policies across all european countries
- novel feed and food



#### Italian case regarding Insect protein in Poultry Nutrition

#### Biological & Technical development

- need for adapted technologies
- looking for high rearing performances and steadiness at industrial scale

#### Market Opportunities

- need for integrating highly competitive markets
- proof of performances (POC)

#### Consumer reluctancy

- no historical entomophagy practice in EU
- no historical use of insects derived products

#### Mitigation through intensive R&D program & network

#### **BSF Biology**

- Nutritional requirements
- Technical development
- Mass rearing
- Animal welfare



#### **Raw Materials**

- Organic waste characterisation
- Feed formulation & Technical development



## Product Development & Industrialization

- Products nutritional values
- Products quality
- New Products devpt
- Scale up



#### **Animal Trials**

- Poultry / SoybeanSubstitution
- Laying hens
- Broilers
- Aquaculture / Fishmeal Substitution
- Tilapia
- Trout





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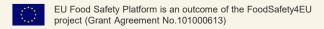


#### Bio-fertilization in Agriculture

- Ecocert Certification
- Lab Testing
- Field Trials
- Product Devpt







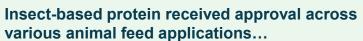


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#### nextProtein successes and on-going work

#### **Regulatory & Quality Compliance**

- Participation to EU working groups
- supporting product safety by scientific data
- promoting regulation harmonization in EU















Insects for Food and Feed

#### **Biological & Technical development**

- Proper development **and** validation of processing units replicable for further international scale up through operational R&D
- 1 patented process for high value proteins



FeedSolver, an internally developed tool enabling automatic formulation of an optimal larval recipe based on the available feedstocks, despite its heterogeneity

#### **Market Opportunities**



- high investments in POC studies
- partnership with qualified laboratories and companies
- nextProtein is building trust with major feed manufacturer through evidence on product stability and quality compliance

#### Open for collaborations

POC and applied R&D Insect Oil & Frass markets





#### Consumer reluctancy

Consumer Education and market engagement through awareness campaigns, demonstrating that insects are a natural diet for many species



Focus groups and cross-country online survey in EU to explore attitudes and meanings regarding alternative sources of proteins (insects, algaes, plant-based) and generate qualitative data

-> Identifying levers to facilitate their adoption





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