

# **Pivara Skopje AD**

## **Policy to Tackle Food Loss & Food Waste**

### **Our commitments**

The food & beverage industry in Europe is part of a joint declaration on food *loss & wastage*, "Every Crumb Counts" with the commitment to prevent edible food loss, to promote a life-cycle approach to reducing wastage and to proactively feed into European, national and global solutions and initiatives in this area. Besides, the ambition is to create more awareness of the need to reduce food loss & *food waste* within own operations and along the entire supply chain. Eventually, signatories pledge to collaborate across all stakeholder groups and to contribute to the development and dissemination of best practices. Pivara Skopje AD supports all relevant aspects of this declaration, which directly contributes to our zero waste-to-landfill target.

### **Causes of food loss & food waste and our holistic focus across the value chain**

Pivara Skopje AD applies a holistic approach in tackling the loss & waste along the entire supply chain, through continual analysis of potential losses of food, ingredients, repro-materials and final products, caused by quality non-conformity, delisting, spillage, breakages or storage beyond expiry date, in manufacturing, warehouses & distribution or at customer level.

### **Actions to prevent food loss & food waste**

Through operational excellence, Pivara Skopje AD strives to either prevent food *loss & wastage*, safeguards that only a residual mass will be eventually disposed of. This approach includes a broad array of activities and stakeholders, i.e.

- Training employees to prevent food *loss & wastage* and optimized production *and sales*, as well as engaging with customers to share identified best practice, pilot Zero Waste Schemes and communicate results and benefits to the wider community;
- Providing different serving sizes for our products to fit the needs of consumers;
- *Donating product to employees (for birthdays, holidays, awards, representation and degustation);*
- Liaising with raw materials suppliers to ensure compliance with Supplier Guiding Principles, Sustainable Agricultural Principles and applicable regulatory safety and quality standards;
- *Engaging with non-profit and humanitarian organizations to support donations of product safe for consumption;*
- *Engaging with companies for managing by-products, for bio-gas production or intended for animal feeding;*
- Providing product storage instructions and freshness rules to customers as well as best-before-dates to consumers;
- Engaging with business partners, regulators, academia, peers, NGOs and our communities in order to identify and implement innovative solutions that help prevent food loss & food waste.

### **Reporting**

Pivara Skopje AD tracks the progress of food loss, along the entire supply chain, as an integral part of the internal managerial reporting routines. The aggregate results are transparently communicated within the company and as a part of the annual company report.

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