

## Sustainable Packaging

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## **Nestlé's Vision for Packaging Sustainability**



### **Our long-term vision**

• None of our packaging ends up in landfill or as litter

## Our commitments for 2025

- 100% of our packaging will be recyclable or reusable
- We will reduce our use of virgin plastics by 33%



## Our packaging sustainability journey









April 2018 September 2019 January 2020

- Launched global commitment on recycling and reusable packaging for 2025
- Inaugurated Nestlé Institute
  of Packaging Sciences
- Pledged CHF 1.5 bn toward food-grade recycled plastics
- Committed to reduce virgin plastic use by 1/3 by 2025

- December 2020
- Published Net Zero roadmap



## **Our need: Fit-for-purpose food-grade packaging**

#### Delivering safe and nutritious food

Safety & quality



Pre-portion



Avoid food waste



Information



#### Adapting to product and geography

#### Product sensitivity



Climate



Route-to-market



Legislation





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## Our sustainable packaging 5 pillar strategy

Packaging reduction / elimination



Reusable / refillable packaging systems

Materials innovation for recycling and composting



Recycling and waste management infrastructure Rethinking behaviors of Nestlé, retail partners and consumers







## Pillar 1: Reducing our use of packaging material

#### **Reducing packaging complexity**



- Removing unnecessary plastic lids
- Eliminating plastic accessories
- Eliminating unnecessary plastic layers and films

#### Increasing use of recycled content

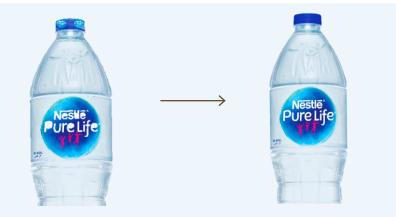


- Shrink films made of recycled material
- Recycled paper for non-food contact
- Bottles made from up to 100% recycled PET



## Pillar 1: Reducing our use of plastic packaging

#### **Eliminating bottle cap tear-offs**



- Removing plastic tear-offs covering bottle caps and necks on flexible bottles opening
- In Egypt, Nestlé Pure Life water eliminated 240 metric tons of PVC annually

#### **Removing unnecessary lids**



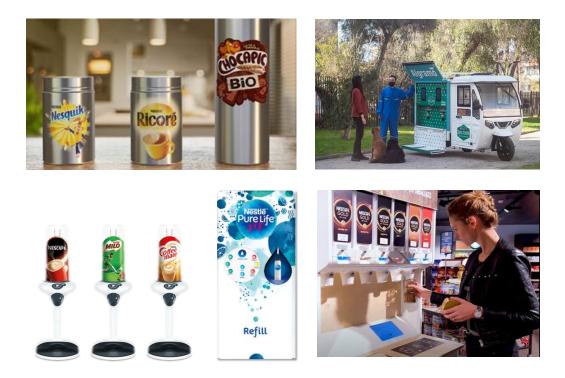


- Removing over-cap lids from food puree tubs eliminated close to 2,300 metric tons of plastic annually
- Introduced the Incredipouch, single material pouch for the future of recycling



## Pillar 2: Scaling different models of packaging-free delivery systems

- Reusable containers
- Refill systems
- Single-dose dispensers
- In-store dispensers
- Bulk Home Refill Delivery





## Pillar 2: Scaling reusable and refillable systems

#### Algramo: Bulk refill for Purina PetCare



- Piloting bulk delivery of pet foods by tricycle
- Running pilots with consumers in Santiago, Chile
- Convenience for heavy and bulky dry pet foods
- Reusable containers integrate RFID chips

#### LOOP: Reusable packaging



- Offering foods in high quality refillable packaging
- Piloting products in dairy, coffee, waters and petcare
- Engaging major retailers in the US, Canada and France
- Packaging shifts to a reusable resource



## Pillar 3: Pioneering alternative materials to facilitate recycling

Finding opportunities for paperization and the transition to mono-material polymers





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#### **Packaging paperization**





- Replacing plastic with paper
- Creating packaging fit for local waste infrastructure
- Innovating for protection in hot and humid climates

#### **Paperization of straws**



- Transitioning straws from plastic to paper
- First mover, collaborating to create new supplier partnerships, technologies and manufacturing processes



## Pillar 4: Supporting infrastructure that helps to shape a waste-free future

#### Investing in support of circular economy



- Supporting start-ups via CHF 250 m venture fund
- Creating a market for food-grade recycled plastic by allocating up to CHF 1.5 bn in premiums
- Exploring opportunities for investment in innovation

#### **Collecting and educating: Project STOP**



- 12 countries, 12 Plastic Neutrality Roadmaps
- Supporting development of recycled plastics supply chain and driving local empowerment and employment
- Facilities in Lekok and Nguling; 32 tons per day capacity



## Pillar 5: Rethinking behaviors: Operations, retail partners and consumers

### Training teams on packaging sustainability Encouraging recycling behaviors



- Rolling out a sustainable packaging education and training program to over 290 000 employees
- Accelerating behavior change and helping the company meet its packaging objectives



- Products designed to engage consumers in recycling and reuse
- Collection points and mail in bags in multiple markets (LOOP partnership, Retail sites, Nespresso)



## **Nestlé Institute of Packaging Science**



- **50 scientists** conducting cutting edge research for **safety and performance** of new materials
- Refillables, redesigning multi-material to mono-material, highperformance paper barriers and recycled content
- Part of larger ecosystem of our global R&D network



## Technology: Building a vibrant ecosystem for packaging innovation

## Start-ups and entrepreneurs





# Material suppliers and converters







# Universities and research institutes



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### Key takeaways

- Investing in sustainable packaging to future-proof our business
- Taking action with clear plans and milestones
- Delivering on our vision through a multi-pillar approach
- Collaborating to drive progress across the entire packaging ecosystem

