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STATE OF SDG TARGET 12.3

Headline:

We're not on track to achieve 12.3 unless there's an immediate prioritization to address food loss and waste worldwide



COMPANIES THAT HAVE REDUCED FOOD LOSS AND WASTE BY 20% OR MORE

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COMPANY	% FOOD LOSS AND WASTE REDUCTION ACHIEVED
Ingka Group (IKEA)	54
Kellanova	42
Fresh Del Monte	41
Ahold Delhaize	37
Cargill	35
Pick N Pay	31
Danone North America	30
Kroger	26
Ajinomoto Foods	23

Note: This list is nonexhaustive. Percentages reflect a reduction of food loss or waste compared to total food handled by the business.



Examples of country progress

- USA
- Australia
- EU legislation
- India
- Africa



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An annual update on behalf of Champions 12.3

LETTER FROM THE CO-CHAIRS OF CHAMPIONS 12.3

Just six years remain to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals' Target 12.3, which calls for halving food loss and waste worldwide by 2030. At this juncture, we fear that the uncomfortable truth is that SDG 12.3 is fast becoming out of reach.

This report shows that the world is at a fork in the road. Unless a slew of companies and countries prioritize food loss and waste reduction, we will have missed one of the best opportunities to build a resilient food system for generations.

But if governments and the private sector act immediately, we may still achieve significant benefits for people, the economy, and the climate. In fact, halving food loss and waste would reduce global greenhouse gas emissions by up to 5 percent, according to estimates from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.

That's an astonishing figure, and it shows how sizeable the rewards are for addressing the world's food loss and waste problem.

As Champions of SDG 12.3, we have been leaders in this effort for almost a decade. We understand just how overwhelming it can feel to reduce food loss and waste. It can be especially difficult in an ecosystem where few others have prioritized the issue. We therefore have a very simple message for everyone: Identify at least one thing you can do in a food loss and waste hotspot, and then do it.

If that's working with a single supplier to reduce food losses, do it. If that's working with a government agency to promote consumer education, do it. If that's managing how much food your own household throws out, do it. No matter what or where the hotspot is, do something.

As you read this report, please take inspiration and ideas for how to curb food loss and waste in your own life and sphere of influence—because the only chance we have to realize SDG 12.3's enormous promise is if we all do *something* and we do it now.

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- Farmer facing organisations engage a significant number of farmers (20k for the largest) to reduce losses by 50%
- Formal launch in September
- Signatories to date:
 - Olam, ITC Chupal, Sereni Fries Ltd, Kinazi Cassava Plant (KCP), Spice World Ltd, ETG and Premier Foods Ltd (PFL)
 - Several others close to signing up
- Priorities for coming year
 - Engage more companies
 - Develop and carry out training for companies to start to measure baseline
 - Build partnerships including with solutions



Summarising points: Underlying themes

- Engagement and awareness
- Collaboration
- Overcoming resistance



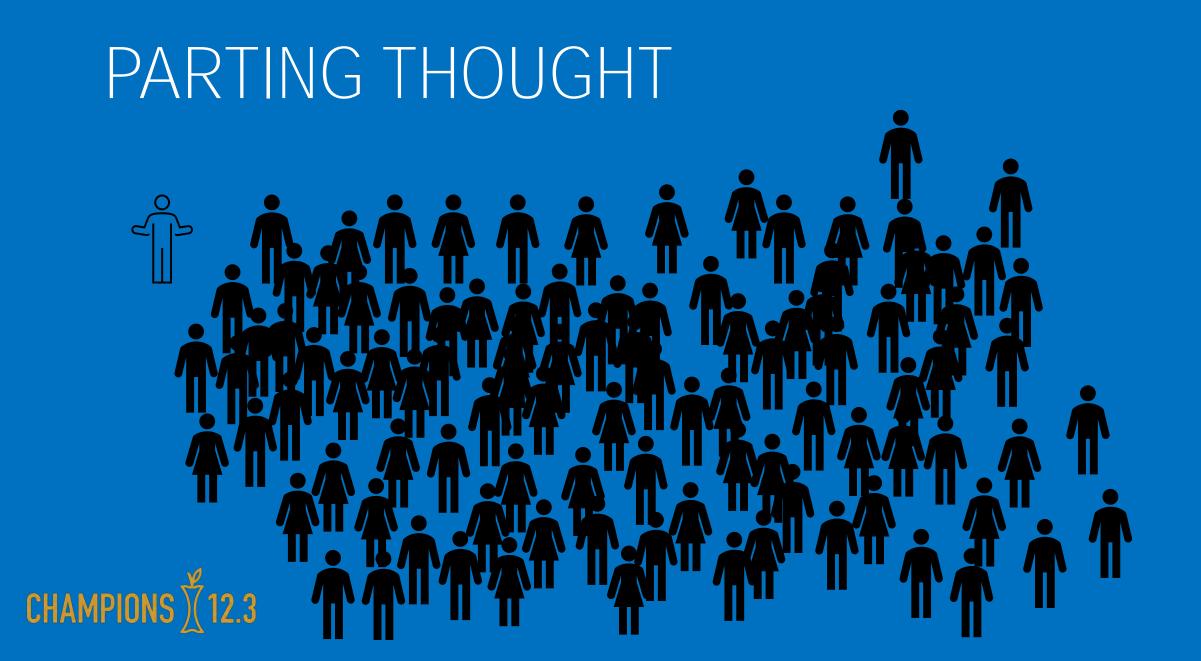
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In 10 steps, you have reached the entire global population

