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CHANGING PERSPECTIVES: FROM WASTE AND WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT TO SIDE-STREAM VALORISATION

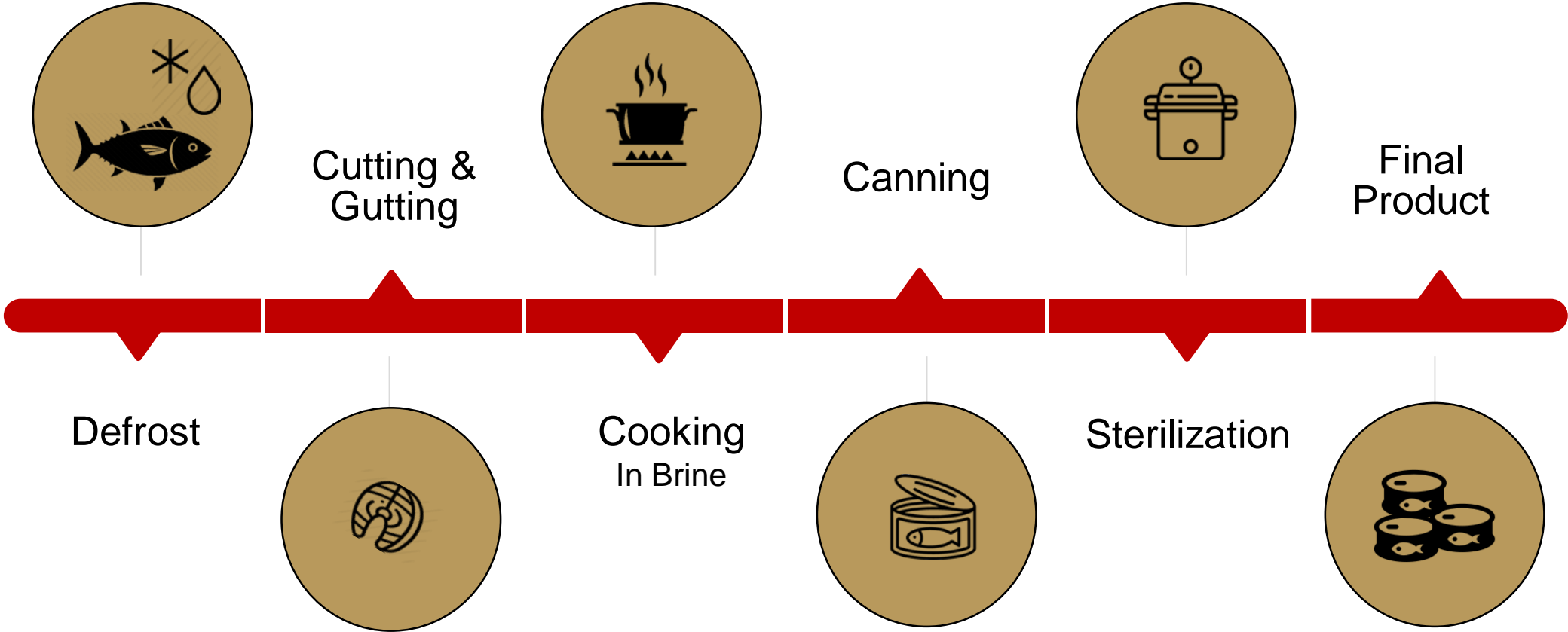
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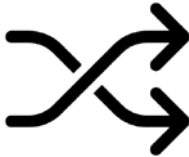
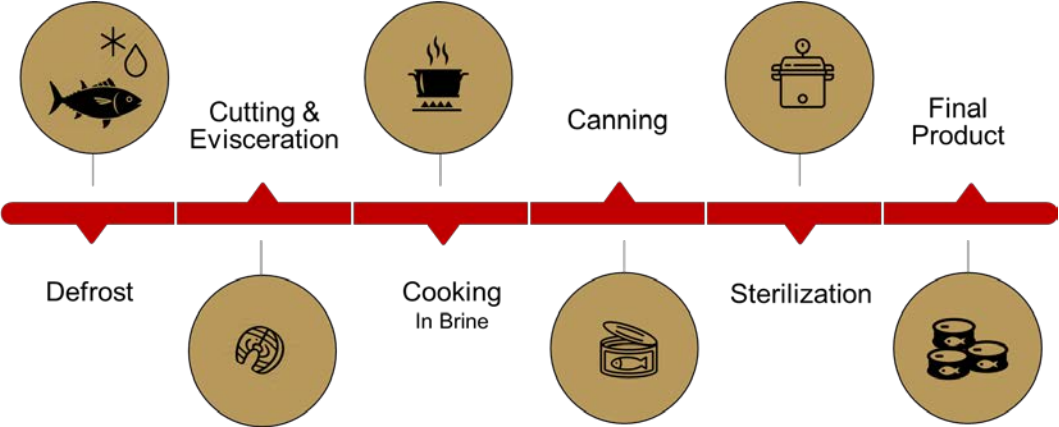
Circular economy in the fish canning industry

The fish canning sector is characterized by the low utilization of the main raw material (for example, 40-60% tuna) and higher water consumption in its processing lines. However, it is one of the food sectors with the highest intensity of recovery of by-products for direct use as fishmeal.

PRODUCTION PROCESS



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Byproducts & waste:

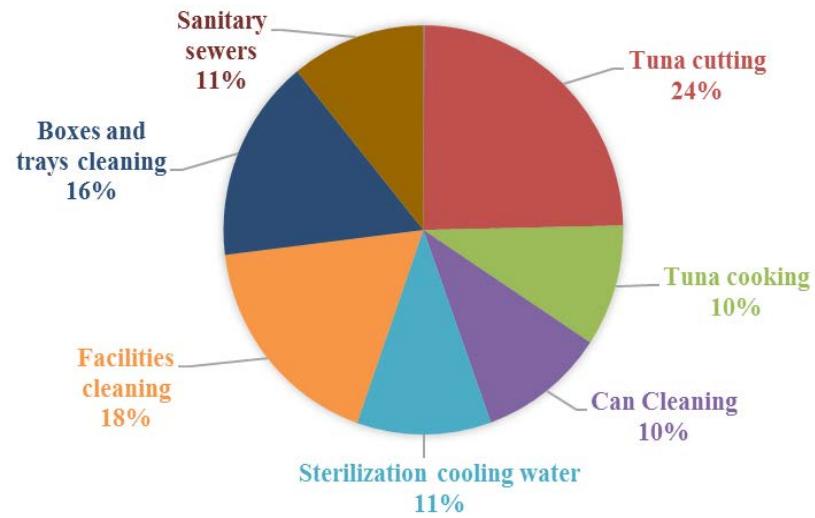
- Heads
- Bones
- Skin
- Vistera

→ FISHMEAL

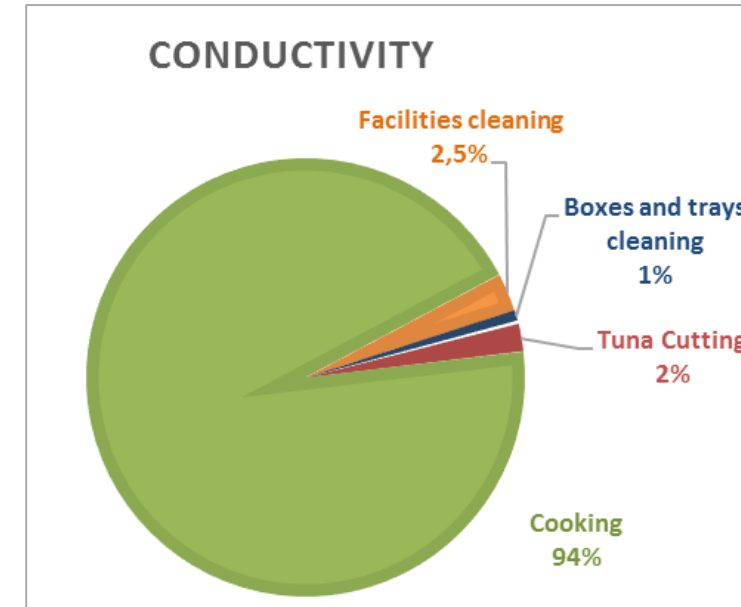
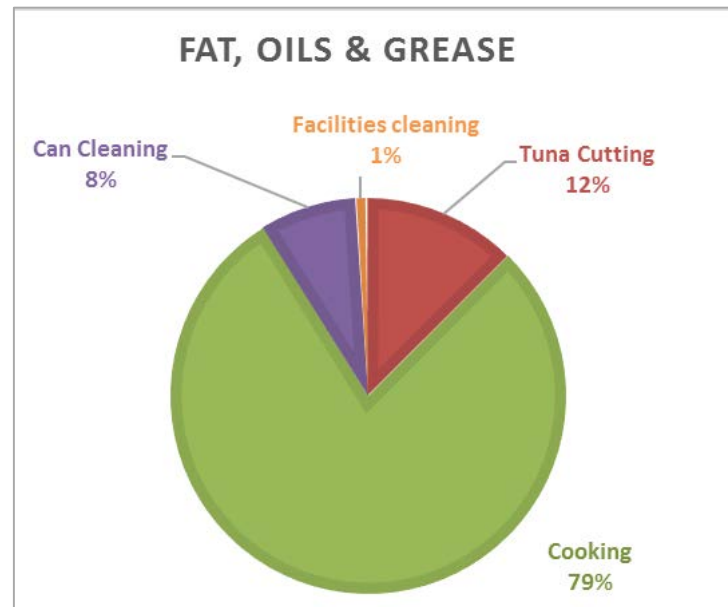
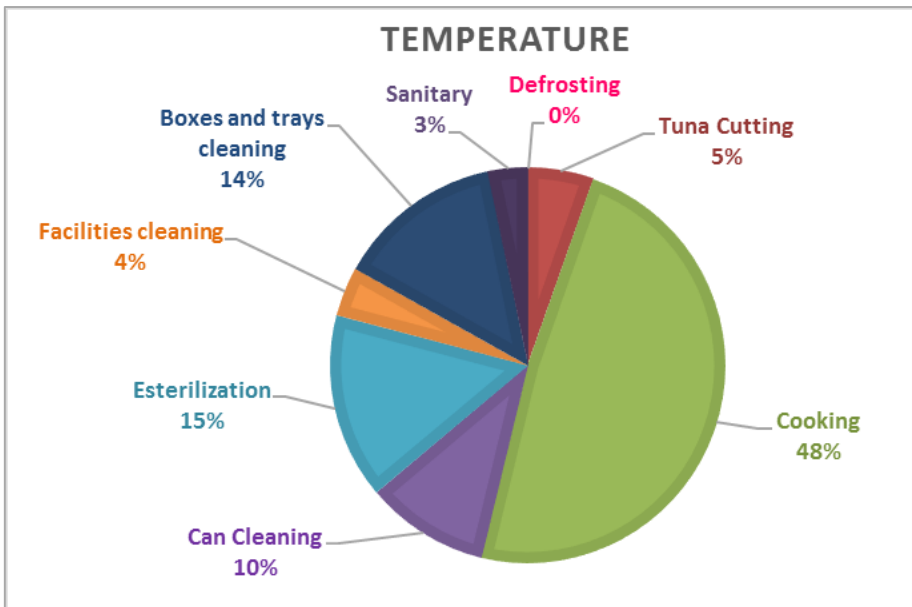
Wastewater:

- Sewage load
- High fats and grease content
- High salinity
- High temperature

Water Consumption



Main pollution of effluents



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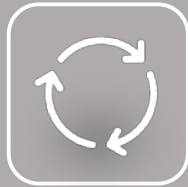
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Improving **Eco-Efficiency** in the processes



2



Regeneration of food brines and fish proteins **upcycling**

RESALTUN project

3



Intelligent waste & loss monitoring:
Use of **IoT & AI**





Objective:

Demonstration of an integrated solution (technical, legislative and environmental) for reduction at the origin and the controlled integration of high organic and saline load discharges from the SME's canning industry in the urban sanitation system.

Levels Project performance

Level 1 - Tuna canning industry

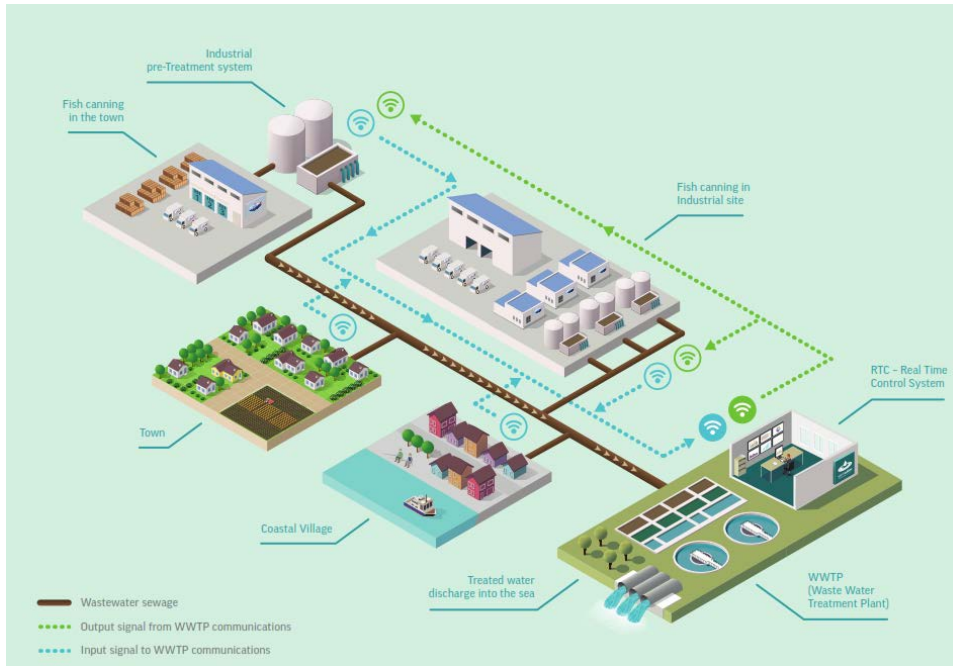
Strategies for the minimization of highly polluted effluents and secondary raw material

Level 2 - Sewerage system

Develop and model a virtual simulation platform integrating industrial pretreatments, collector network and WWTP

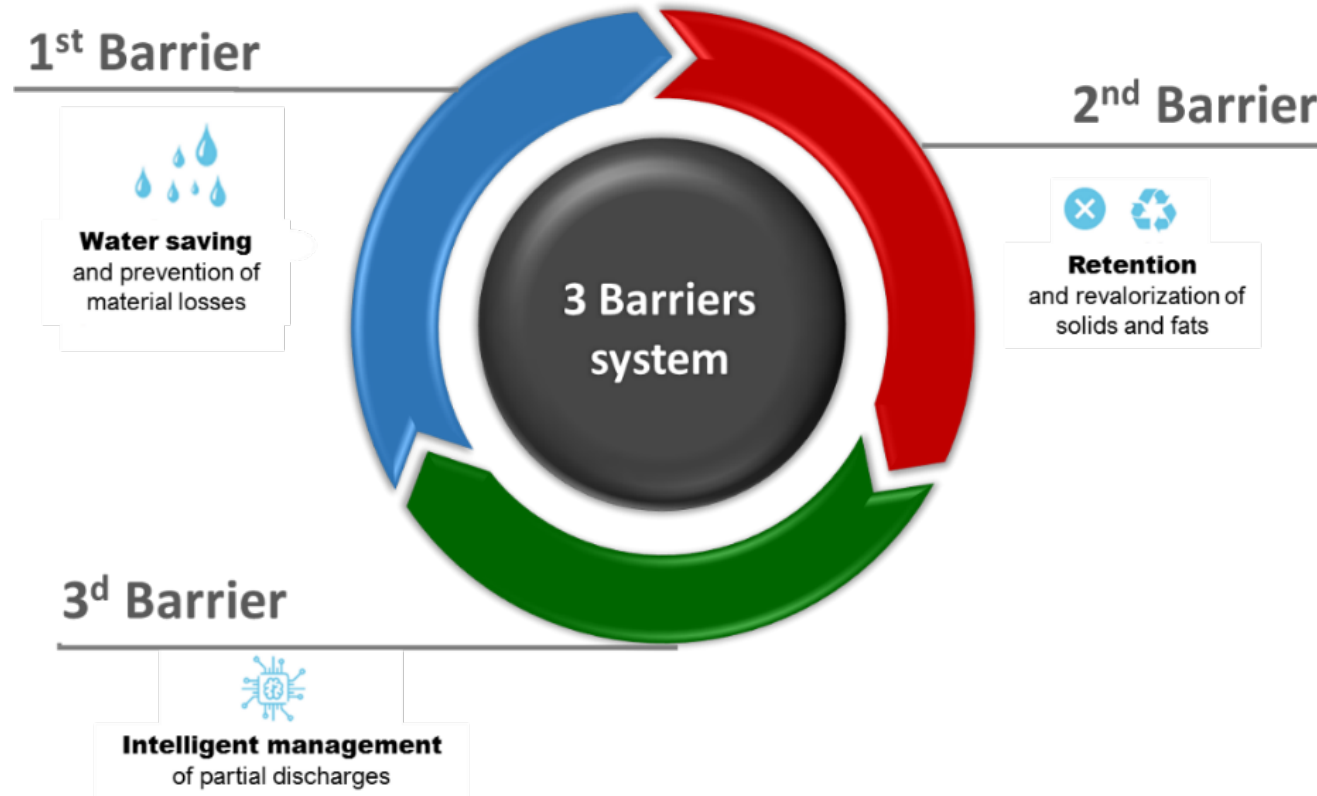
Level 3 - Environment

Monitoring the impact of the project actions on the environment





3 Barrier System





Sistema 3
Barreras

1st BARRIER

- Water consumption reduction in productive and auxiliary processes
- Avoid the loss of raw material and products and its disposal in wastewater

Water savings

- Installation of a pass sensor for tuna pieces
- Replacement of more efficient diffusers



Avoid loss of raw material

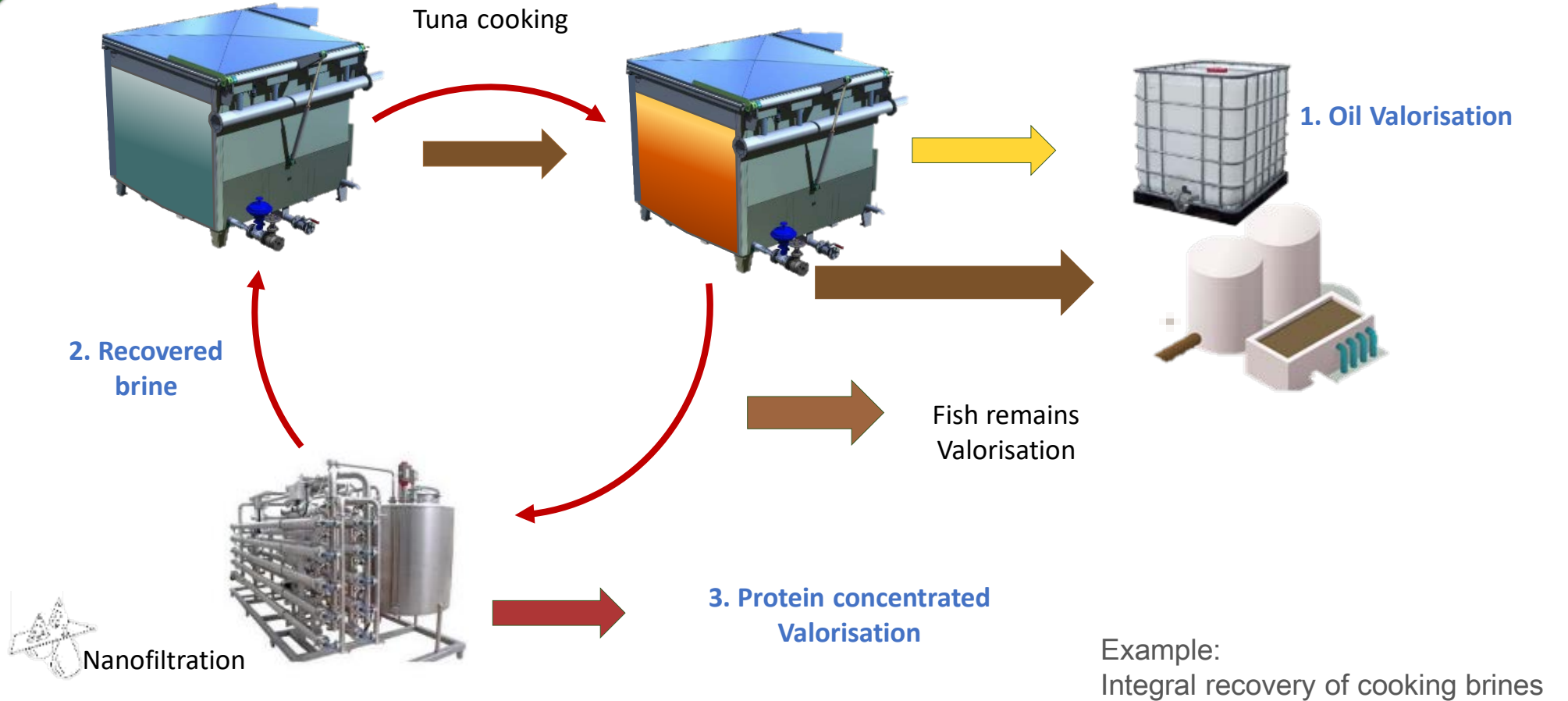
- Installation of baffles to avoid loss of raw material
- Install trays for the hygienic collection of tuna crumbs





2nd BARRIER

Retention of solids and food fractions in a hygienic way through specific systems and technologies that allow their recovery





3rd BARRIER

Intelligent internal management of partial discharges, through temporary storage, partial treatment, reuse before being discharged



Example: Recovery of sterilizer cooling water for internal reuse in floors cleaning or other uses

RESALTUN Project: UPCYCLING OF BY-PRODUCTS

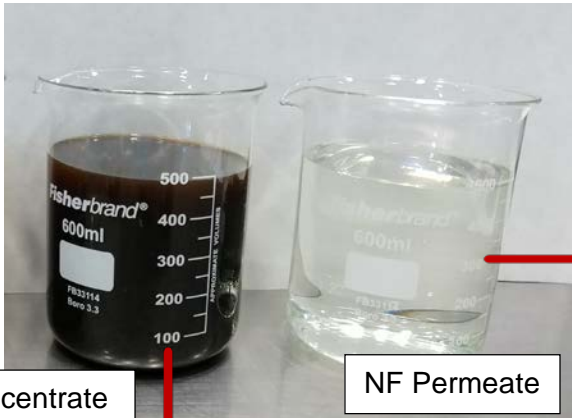
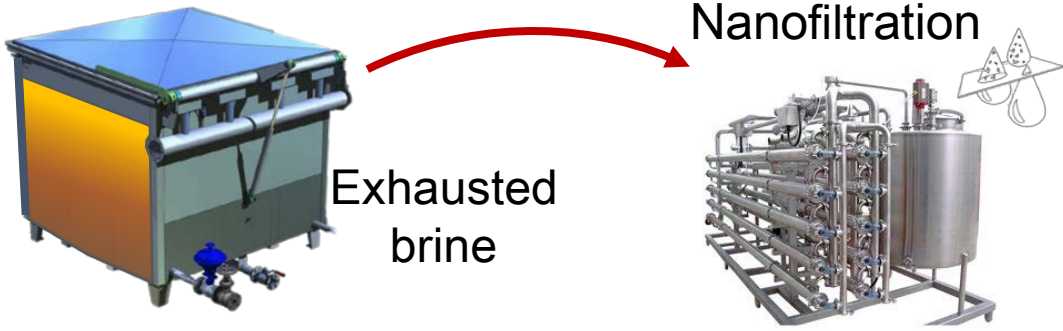


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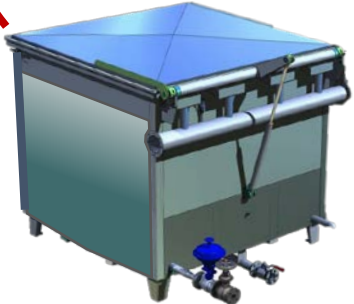
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Brine recovered for reuse

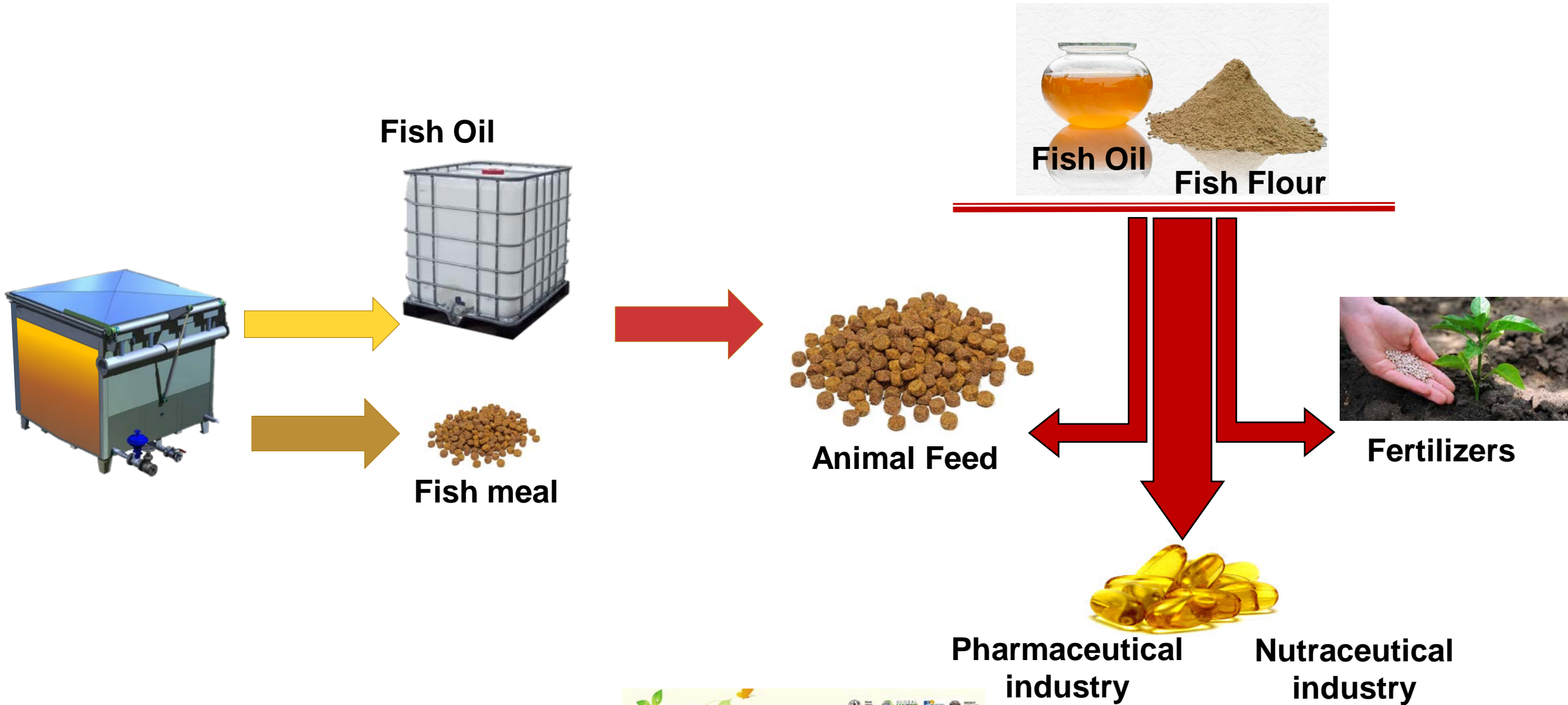
Protein concentration from 6 – 8 g/L to 25-36 g/L for use in savoury or fertilizer industries

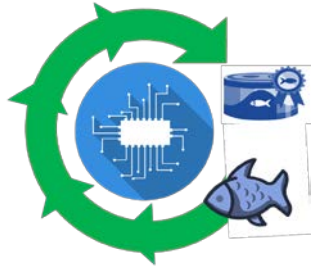
Recovered brine



Fish protein Upcycling System

RESALTUN Project: UPCYCLING OF FISH BY-PRODUCTS





iFishCan – intelligent waste & loss monitoring test bed for the Fish Canning industry



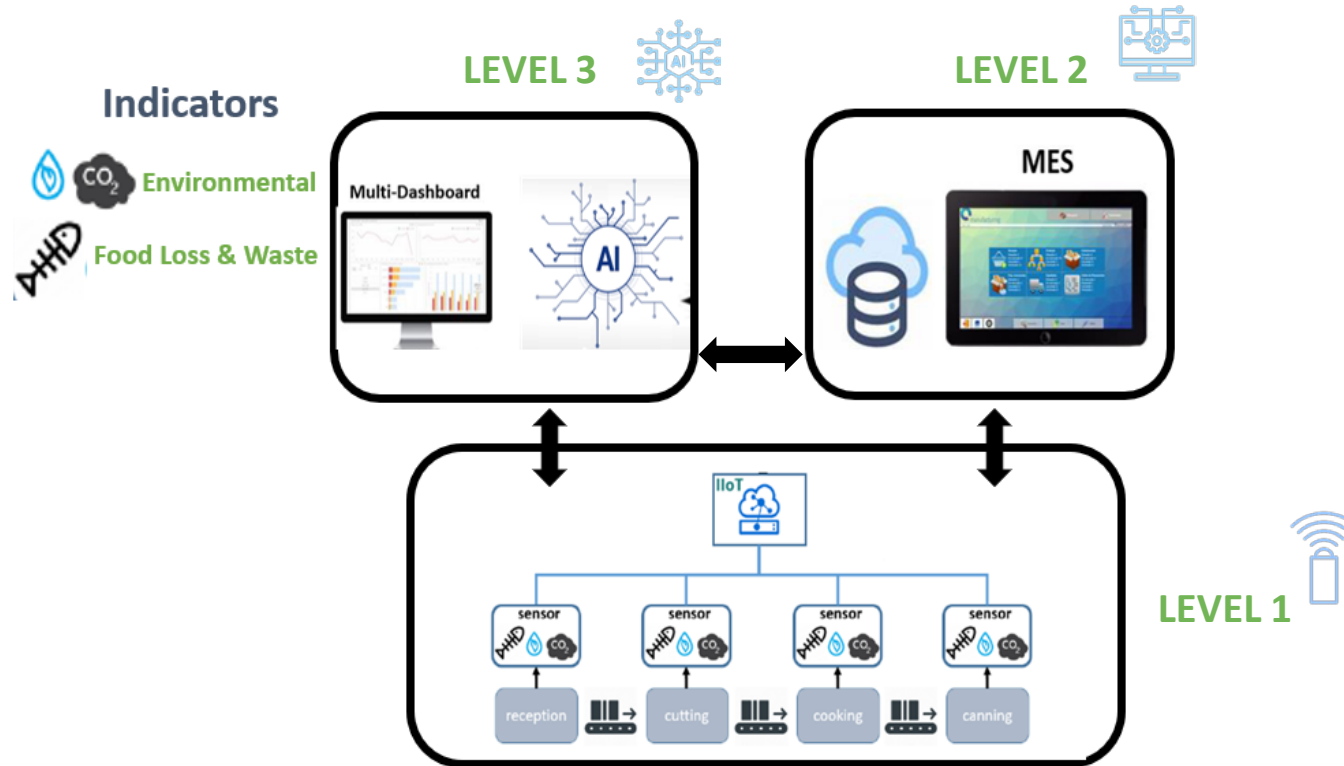
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OBJECTIVE

Improving the performance and sustainability of the fish canning sector through digitalization and Artificial Intelligence

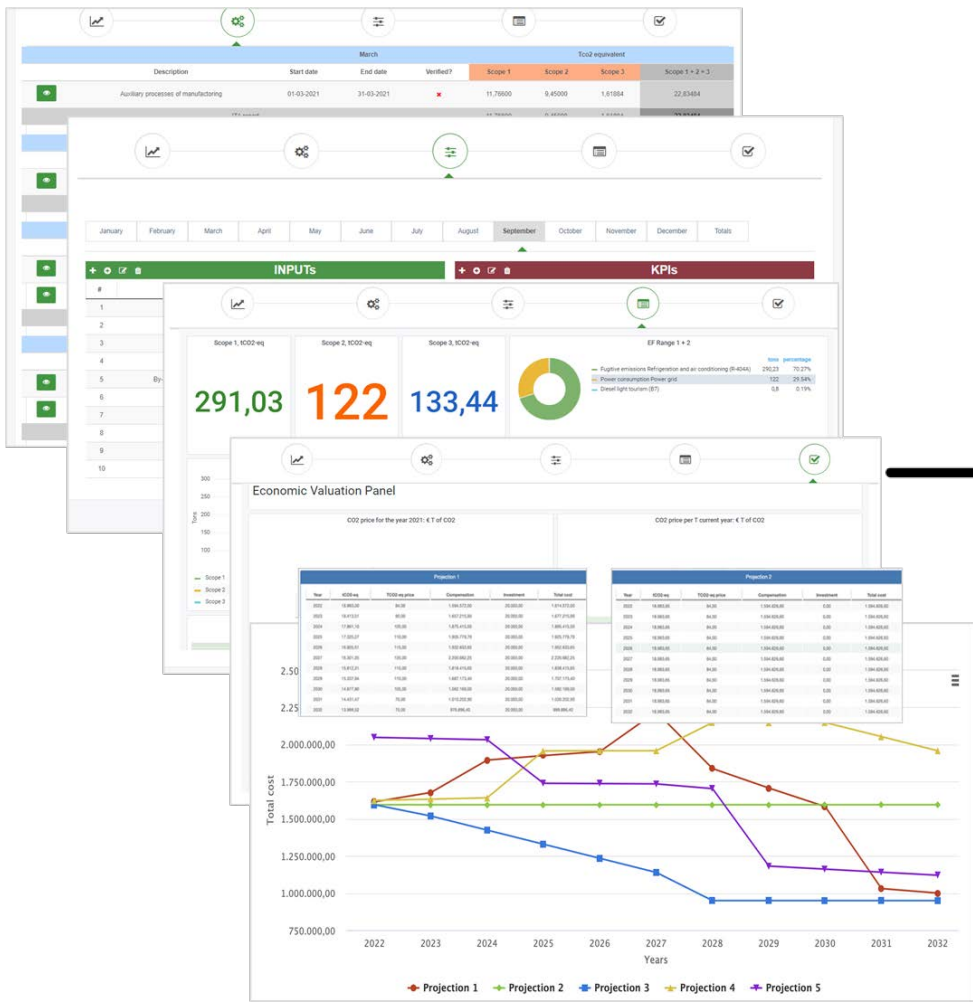


¿What is iFishCan?



IIoT digital cognitive platform for the optimization and prediction of process efficiency (waste, water, energy) in the canned fish industry.

- **WEIGHT** (Raw material, wastes & products)
- **ENERGY** Consumption
- **WATER** Consumption



OUTPUTS

- Analyse and visualize production data
- Trace the use of resources at each point of the production chain at **real-time**:
 - monitoring for efficient use of raw materials and reducing product waste
 - allowing to implement corrective actions in **real time**
- Estimate the impact of the implementation of different technological solutions on the efficiency and the associated **environmental footprint**

Testbed main goals:

 **10%**

Reduction of food loss during production

 **5-10%**

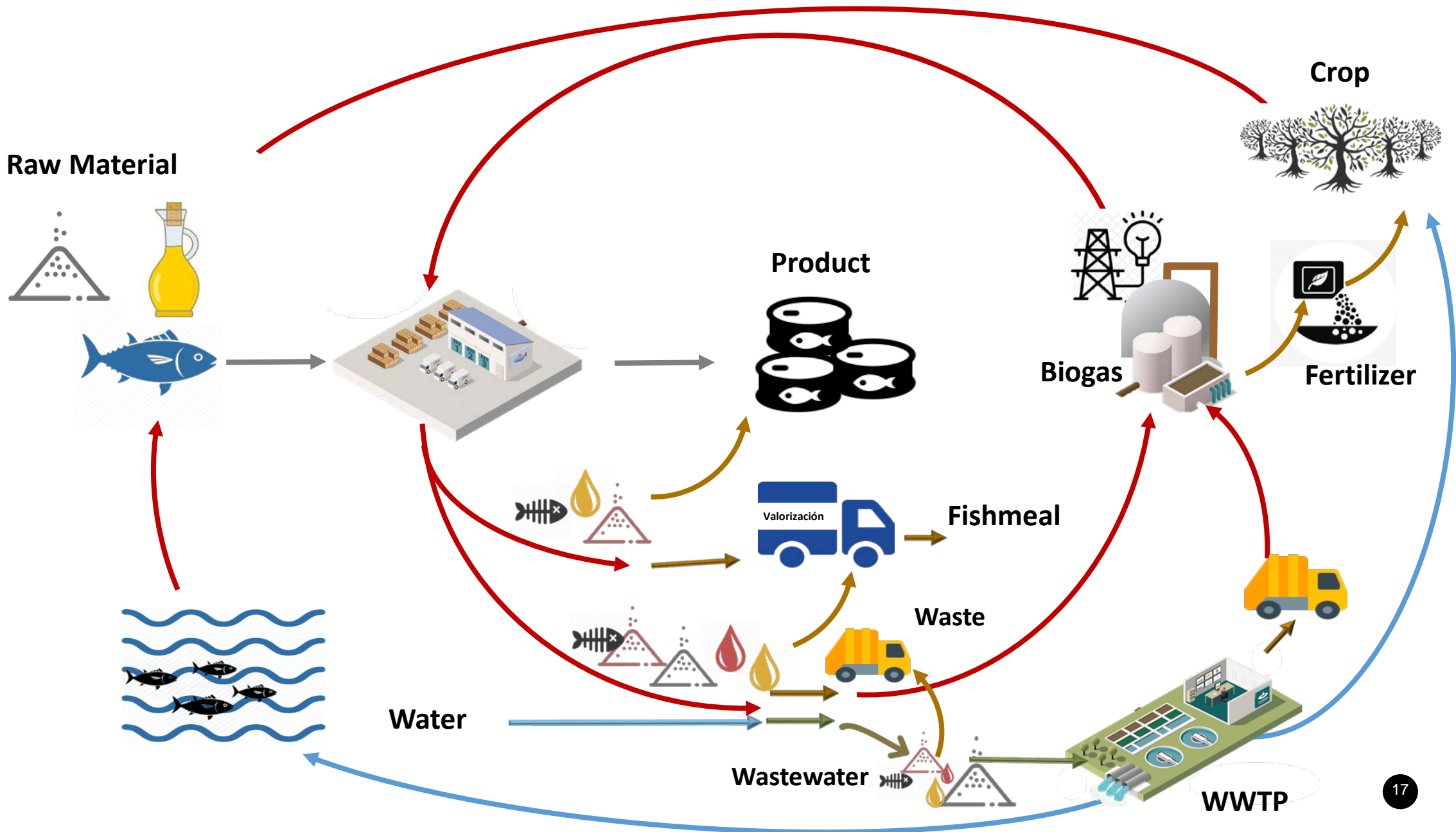
Reduction of energy consumption

 **5-20%**

Reduction of water consumption



Fish Canning Industry and Circular Economy



Thank you very much for your attention



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