

PRESS RELEASE

Tetra Pak and Lund University extend their strategic partnership with focus on innovation

- Tetra Pak and Lund University have renewed and extended their five-year collaboration agreement, reinforcing their long-term partnership
- The collaboration aims to explore new solutions within food technology, packaging materials and circular systems
- The objective is to strengthen synergies between academia and industry, drive innovation and position the region as a hub for advanced food and materials research

Lund, Sweden, 7 April 2025 Tetra Pak and Lund University have renewed and extended their strategic partnership for the next five years, with a joint commitment to develop future-oriented solutions. The renewed agreement will build on existing research projects and continue to strengthen skills and education in six key areas:

- New materials
- Material characterisation
- Food and process technology
- Automation and digitalisation
- Market and business development
- Education and lifelong learning

The original partnership was established in 2020 and has now been extended to 2030. A notable outcome of the past five years is Biotech Heights – a joint innovation hub focused on opportunities within biotechnology. In addition to the 20 ongoing research projects, several initiatives have taken place at MAX IV, one of the world's most advanced synchrotron light facilities, including work to better understand and optimise the structure of fibre-based food packaging materials.

The collaboration has also enabled several doctoral and master's thesis projects over the years – and six new PhD projects are currently underway.

“For Tetra Pak, partnerships like this are essential to advance research across the food value chain and in various industrial processes. By combining research resources, sharing expertise and accessing cutting-edge infrastructure, we can develop materials and food solutions that are more resource-efficient and responsibly produced,” says Joakim Turesson, Vice President Materials & Package at Tetra Pak.

The collaboration combines Tetra Pak's industry-leading expertise in packaging materials and food processing with the research infrastructure of Lund University – ranked among the world's top 100 universities, and in the top 3 globally for Environmental and Sustainability Research.

Annika Olsson, Dean of LTH, Lund University, says: *"Lund University invests significantly in research and education, and we are pleased to do so in collaboration with strategic partners like Tetra Pak. The strength lies in our shared ambition to drive excellent research, enable innovation and educate future talent – creating new opportunities for both industry and society."*

The extended agreement builds on current research and reinforces the region's position as a centre for pioneering innovation in food technology, packaging logistics and circular systems.

ENDS

Notes to the editor

For more information, please contact:

Eva Schiller

PR Manager, Tetra Pak North Europe

+46 7333 611 75

eva.schiller@tetrapak.com

ABOUT TETRA PAK

Tetra Pak is a world leading food processing and packaging solutions company. Working with our customers and suppliers, we provide access to safe, nutritious food for hundreds of millions of people in more than 160 countries every day. With over 24,000 employees worldwide, we commit to making food safe and available, everywhere, and we promise to protect what's good: food, people and the planet. More information about Tetra Pak is available at www.tetrapak.com