

TRansition paths to sUstainable legume-based systems in Europe

My experiences from the TRUE project

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Who is Karen?



Private company in Denmark

Market research and business development

- Focus on agri-food sector
- Value chains
- Organic food

Background: M.Sc. Agriculture

Figure 3 The typical agricultural value chain

farmers

associations

companies

Farmer

Logistics



processors

Machinery

suppliers

processors

Machinery

suppliers

Source: A.T. Kearney analysis

farmers

associations

Input providers

Farmer



companies

companies

Logistics

and supermarkets

Food and

beverage

companies

How did I become involved in TRUE



Plant proteins = HOT TOPIC

Legumes more than peas and beans



EU funded projects

Comprehensive network

Stakeholders from praxis







What is my contribution in TRUE?















Case Studies about food innovation and food service



























What did I know about legumes?



Peas and beans



Clover grass for dairy cattle



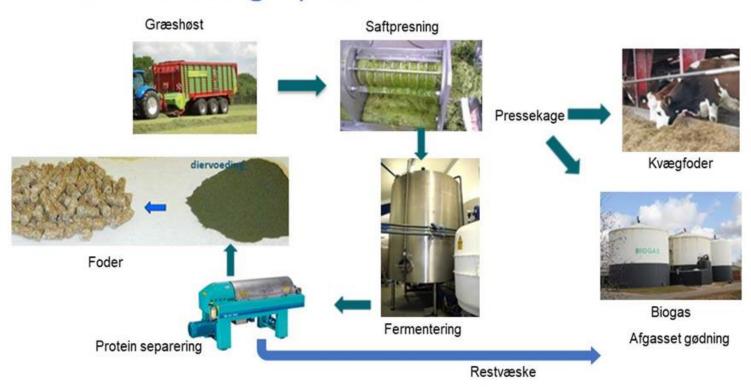
But also the **potential hidden in legumes** for feeding the world,

Production of refined food and feed products

The hidden potential in legumes? Raw material for refined protein production



Bioraffineringssystemet







Experimenting with growing peas





Interest in **biodiversity** –







Soybean meal is a widely used protein component in compound feed – would I find legumes in feed?













How would pulses fit into my regular choices of food and cooking skills?

I **started to look for** peas, beans and lentils in the supermarket

I tried to cook with lentils









I discovered the expanding range of new products made with pulses





I learned that companies want to develop new products made with pulses









New products need to have consumer appeal to become successful and remain in the market

Focus group in Denmark

Taste is the first priority



also for legume-based chocolate









Legumes are far more than peas and beans

Legumes can be grown all over the world

Legumes can be used for **food**, **feed**, **and more**

Legumes are ...so much more





More legumes are needed in the global agri-food system to feed the World and maintain biodiversity and quality of ecosystems

Impact is the way forward for this to happen

Most important experience: The TRUE project creates impact

Most important learning: **Grow as you go**







Thank you for your attention

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