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# Today's speakers



**Tom van Aken**  
CEO



Since 2002

25y of industry experience

*Selected previous experience:*



**Boudewijn van Schaik**  
CFO



Since 2023

20y of finance experience

*Selected previous experience:*



# Introduction





# Avantium at a glance: a leader in renewable chemistry



## Who we are

A leader in the high-growth industry of renewable chemistry

## Our mission

Commercialise disruptive technologies to accelerate the transition from fossil-based to renewable and circular plastics

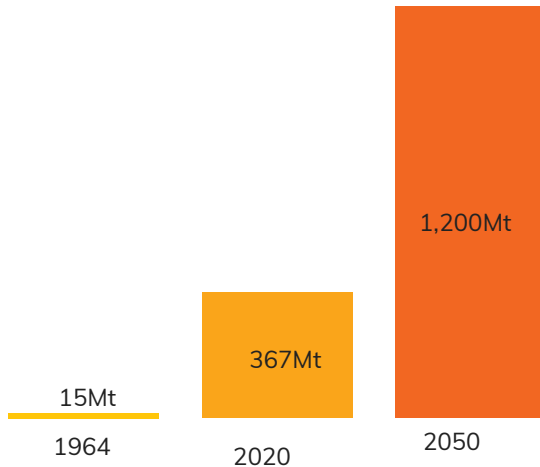
## Our ambition

Leading the transition to a fossil-free chemical industry by 2050

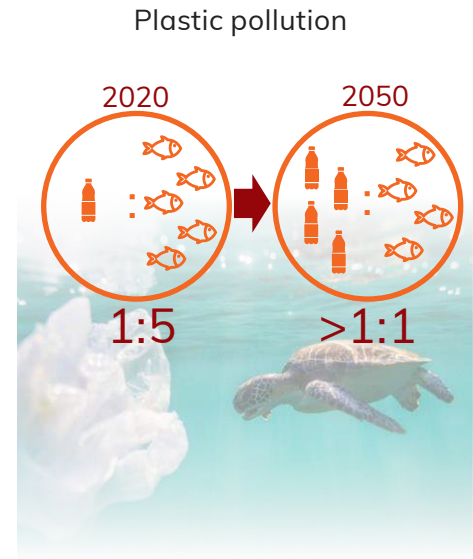
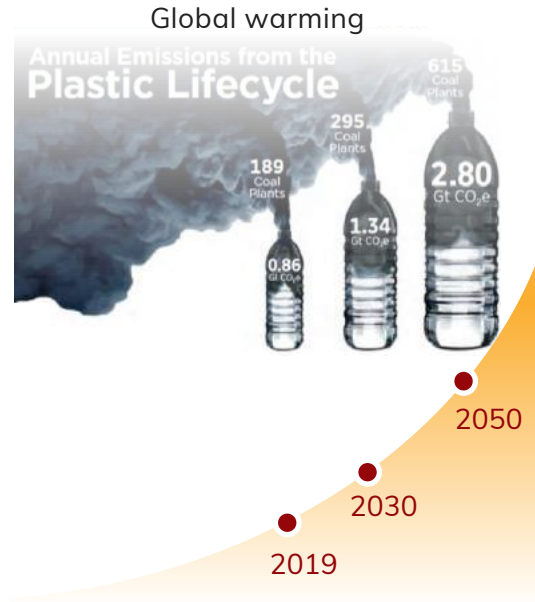


# Increasing worldwide use of plastics causes major environmental challenges

Global plastics production will triple by 2050



Plastic production and waste cause major environmental problems





# Fossil-based products will ultimately phase out

## Key market drivers



Demographic growth and increasing purchase power of a growing worldwide middle class



Tougher regulations geared towards recycling and/or bio-based feedstock, combined with neutral carbon footprint via CO<sub>2</sub> taxation



Increasing industry commitment towards sustainable products



Product performance determines size of market, speeds of adoption and price level

## Challenges cannot be solved by recycling only

“ America simply **does not have enough recycled PET** supply or processing capacity to satisfy commitments being made by brand owners to increase recaptured resin content in their bottles. ”

NAPCOR<sup>(1)</sup>

“ We won't recycle or dispose our way out of plastic pollution... Future scenarios focused on collection, recycling, and disposal alone have been shown to fall short, with high ocean leakage and GHG emissions... Upstream innovation offers opportunities to rethink how products can be delivered to users without the need for single-use packaging. ”

The global commitment 2021 Progress Report

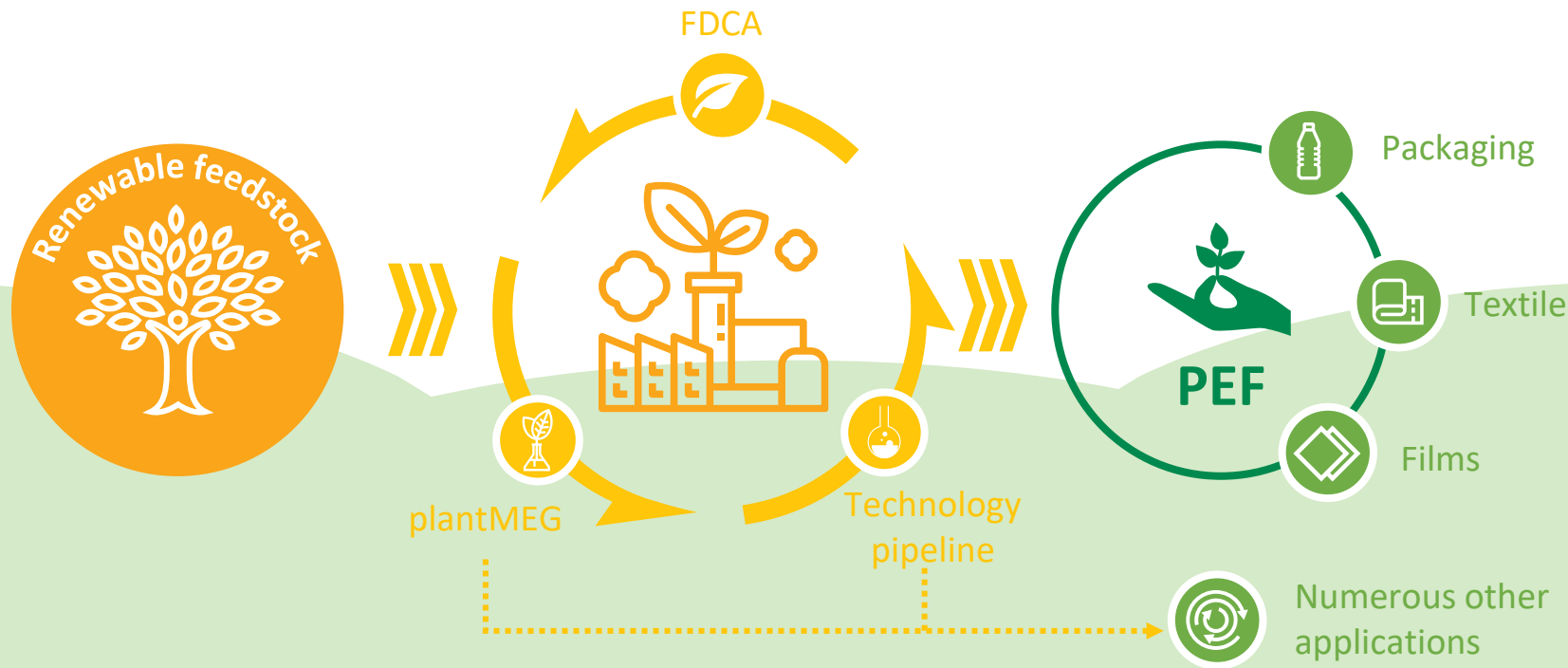


Note (1) National Association for PET Container Resources



# Pipeline of disruptive technologies in renewable chemistry

Focused on plant-based plastics, advancing towards commercialisation







# From technology development to commercialisation

FDCA Pilot Plant  
(since 2011)



PlantMEG  
Pilot Plant  
(since 2019)



Pilot  
Biorefinery  
(since 2018)



## Technology testing

**R&D research**  
**Develop technology economic feasibility**  
**Product validation and applications**



Lab scale & Pilot Plants



## Demonstrate technology & market testing

**Technology demonstration**  
**Commercial launch**



Flagship Plant



## Commercial roll-out



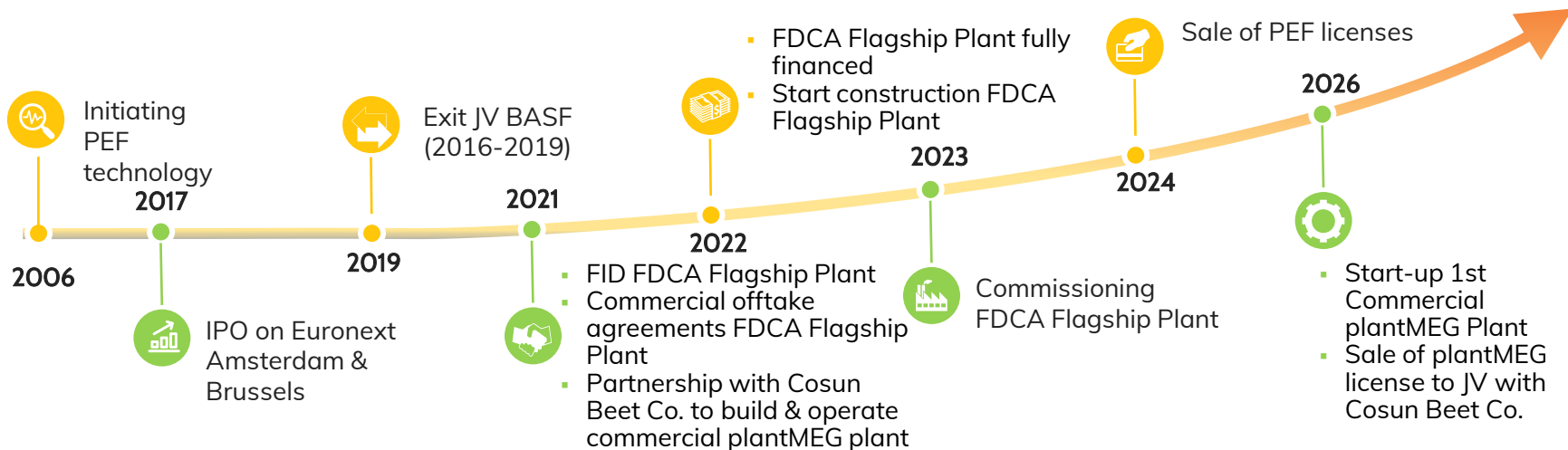
**Commercialisation & industrial roll-out via technology licensing**

Industrial

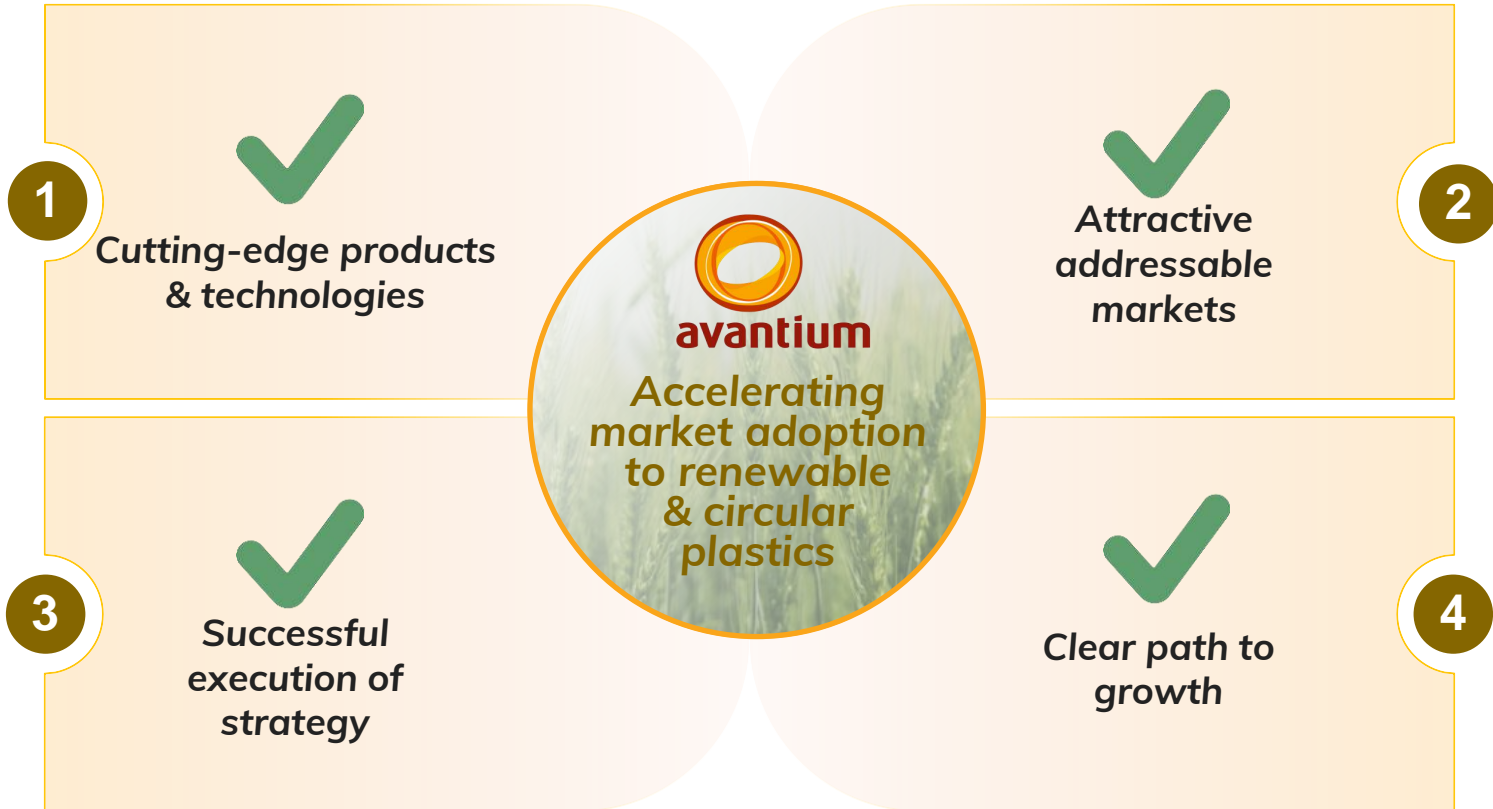
**Mission: create & commercialise disruptive technologies & products to accelerate the transition to renewable & circular plastics**



# Avantium's succesful trajectory towards growth



# Key investment highlights





## Part 1:

### CUTTING-EDGE PRODUCTS & TECHNOLOGIES

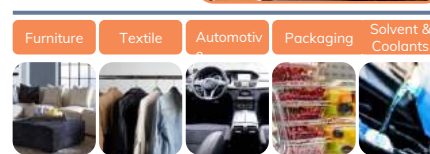
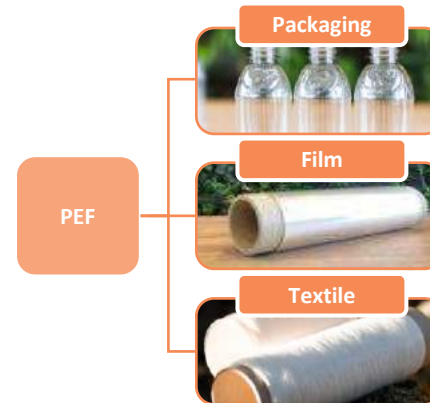


# PEF is a 100% plant-based plastic made from our two core products FDCA and plantMEG

Feedstock flexible

Unique technological platform centered around catalysis process

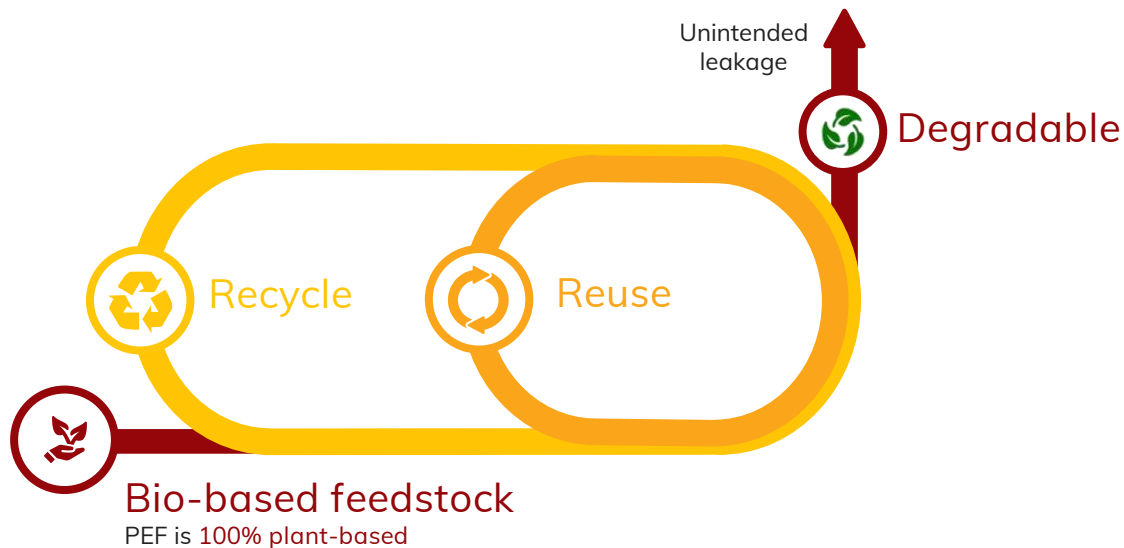
Broad range of applications





# PEF solves the challenges of today's conventional plastics

Offering solutions for plastic waste and CO<sub>2</sub> reduction



**Renewable:** PEF is plant-based instead of fossil-based, resulting in clear reductions in greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions <sup>(1)</sup>



#### Recycle:

- PEF has a proven fit with existing sorting and recycling facilities - endorsed by the European PET Bottle Platform
- PEF can substitute small and multi-layer packaging that cannot be recycled



**Reuse:** Performance potential in reuse under development



**Degradable:** when PEF unintentionally ends up in nature, tests show that PEF degrades

- Degradation tests show that PEF degrades much faster than PET under industrial composting conditions (250-400 days with air / oxygen @ 58°C in soil)
- Initial results from ongoing 10-year degradability field trial demonstrate that PEF degrades under ambient conditions

Note: (1) The 2021 ISO-certified LCA demonstrates significant improvements in carbon footprint of around 35% in GHG emissions dependent on the chosen application, compared to the incumbent fossil-based PET bottle designs; European LCA standards and methods do not allow carbon discounting based on temporary storage.



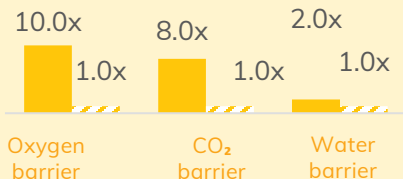
# Showing enhanced performance while being cost competitive

## Enhanced product properties

■ PEF ■ PET



Strong gas barrier



Enhanced performance

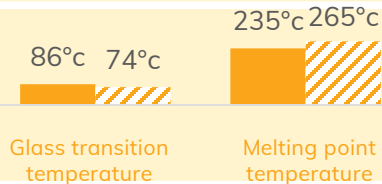


Lightweighting

- Thinner applications
- Reducing weight by more than 20%



High heat resistance



Food contact approval<sup>(1)</sup>



Fully Sustainable

Cost competitive

Today:  
High-value applications

€ € €

Tomorrow:  
Value applications

€ €

Longer-term:  
Mainstream applications

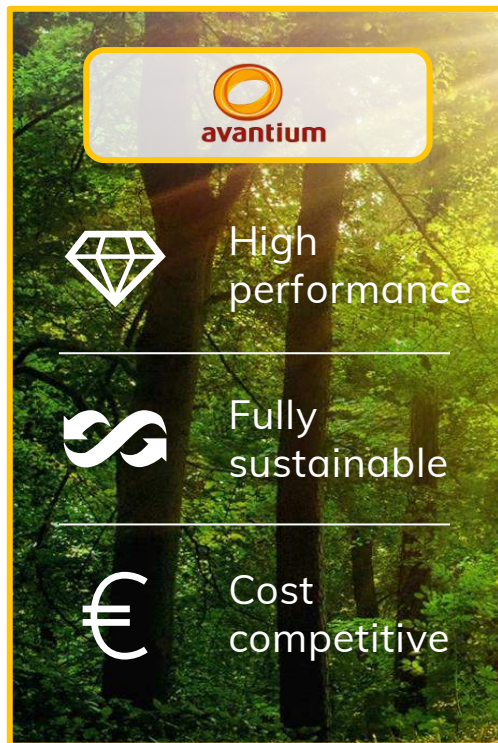
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Volume economies of scale

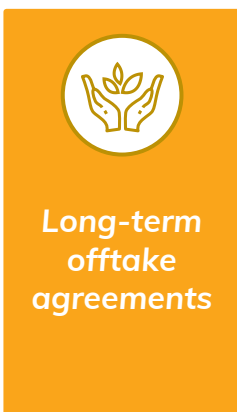
Note (1) In 2015, FDCA was adopted by the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA). In August 2016, FDCA was included in the Plastics Regulation as a food contact material. And in 2021, Avantium released PEF food contact grade, RP90N<sub>x</sub>, that complies with the required regulations of food contact materials, which would allow the use of the PEF resin in direct contact with acetic foods and alcoholic drinks with an alcoholic strength less than 20% as well as with clear and cloudy drinks in the EU & UK.



# Numerous strategic collaborations & offtake agreements



R&D  
collaborations



Long-term  
offtake  
agreements

Development of PEF for beverage applications



PEference<sup>(1)</sup> aims to establish an innovative supply chain for FDCA & PEF



The PEF Textile Community aims to develop PEF yarn applications



Bottles		 Major food & beverage brand owner
Film		
Other		 Brand owner

Note: (1) The PEference consortium has received funding from the Bio-based Industries Joint Undertaking (JU) under the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation program under grant agreement No744409. The JU receives support from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation program and the Bio-based Industries Consortium.

## Part 2:

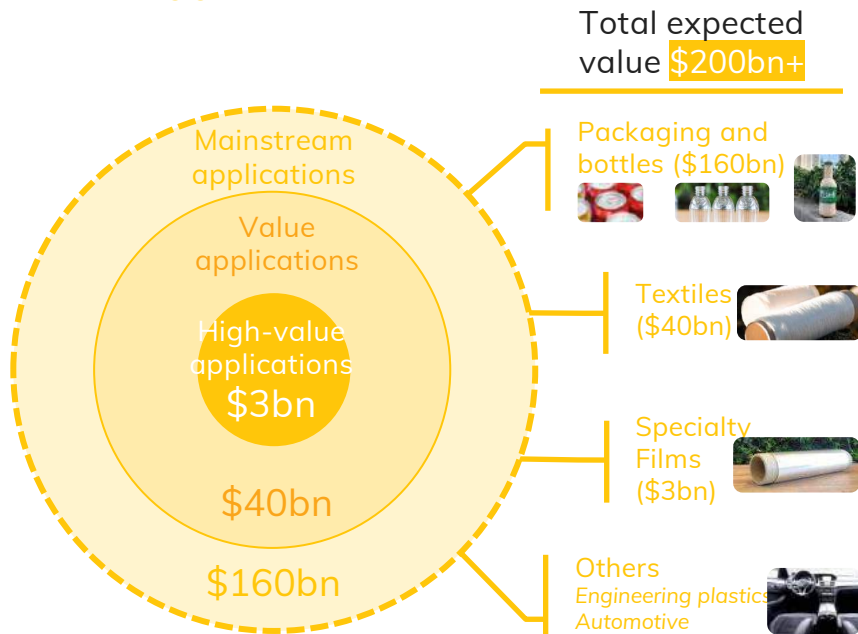
ATTRACTIVE ADDRESSABLE  
MARKETS



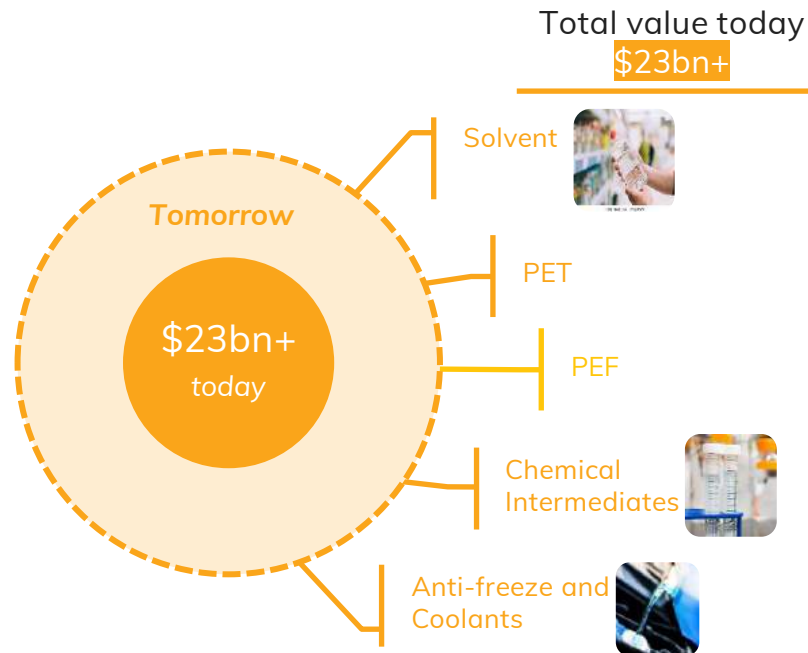


# Avantium targets large and diverse PEF and MEG markets

PEF addressable market –  
100mt+



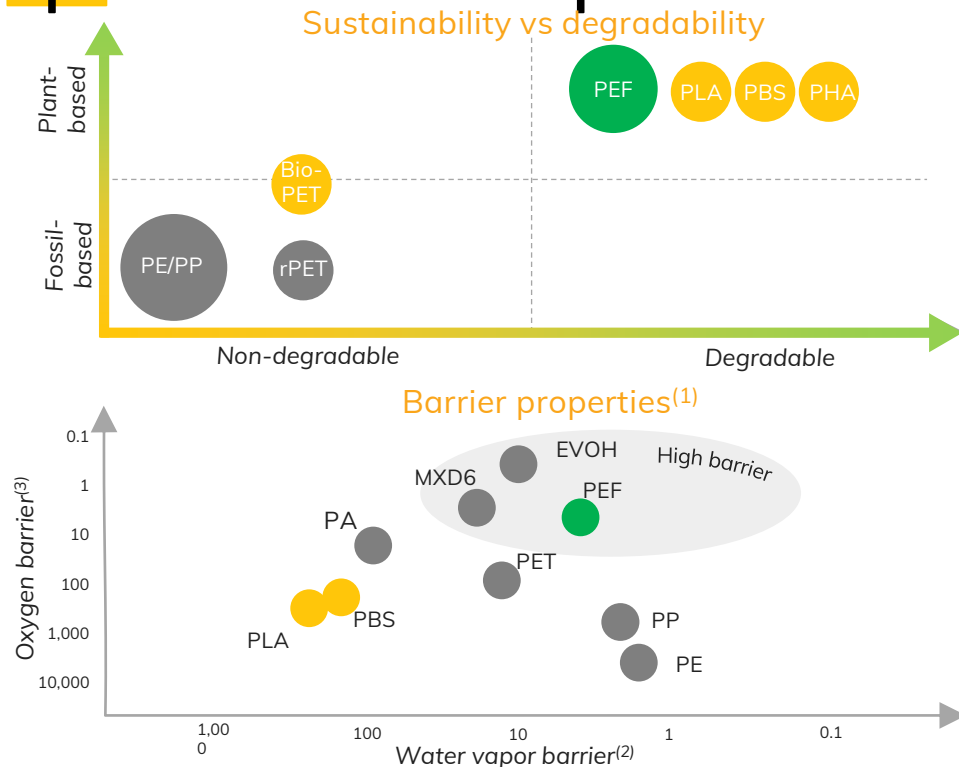
MEG addressable market –  
35mt+







# PEF has enhanced product performance and FDCA / PEF is protected with 60+ patent families



Source: European Bioplastics; Company Assessment based on: Markus Schmidt et al, Properties of Whey-Protein-Coated Films and Laminates as Novel Recyclable Food Packaging Materials with Excellent Barrier Properties (International Journal of Polymer Science, Volume 2012), <https://www.mgc.co.jp/eng/products/ac/nmxd6/barrier.html>, <http://asuka-platech.com/wp/wp-content/uploads/2013/12/BIOPBS.pdf>

Note: (1) Barrier properties for 50µm film; (2) Water vapor barrier: WTR at (39 dC 85 %RH) [mL/(m<sup>2</sup> · day)]; (3) Oxygen barrier: OTR (23, 0%RH) [mL/(m<sup>2</sup> · day · atm)]



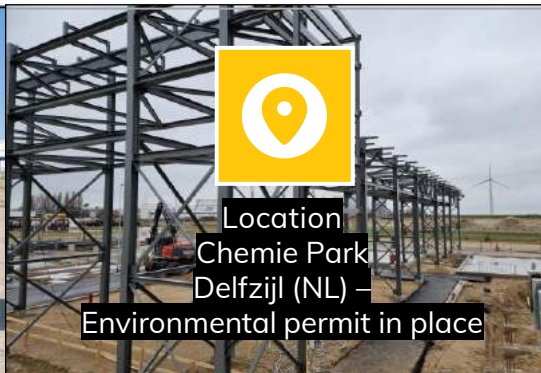
## Part 3:

### SUCCESSFUL EXECUTION OF STRATEGY



# Construction of FDCA Flagship Plant commenced in 2022

The world's first plant producing FDCA on a commercial scale



Location  
Chemie Park  
Delfzijl (NL) –

Environmental permit in place



Timing

Construction completion 2023 &  
operational 2024



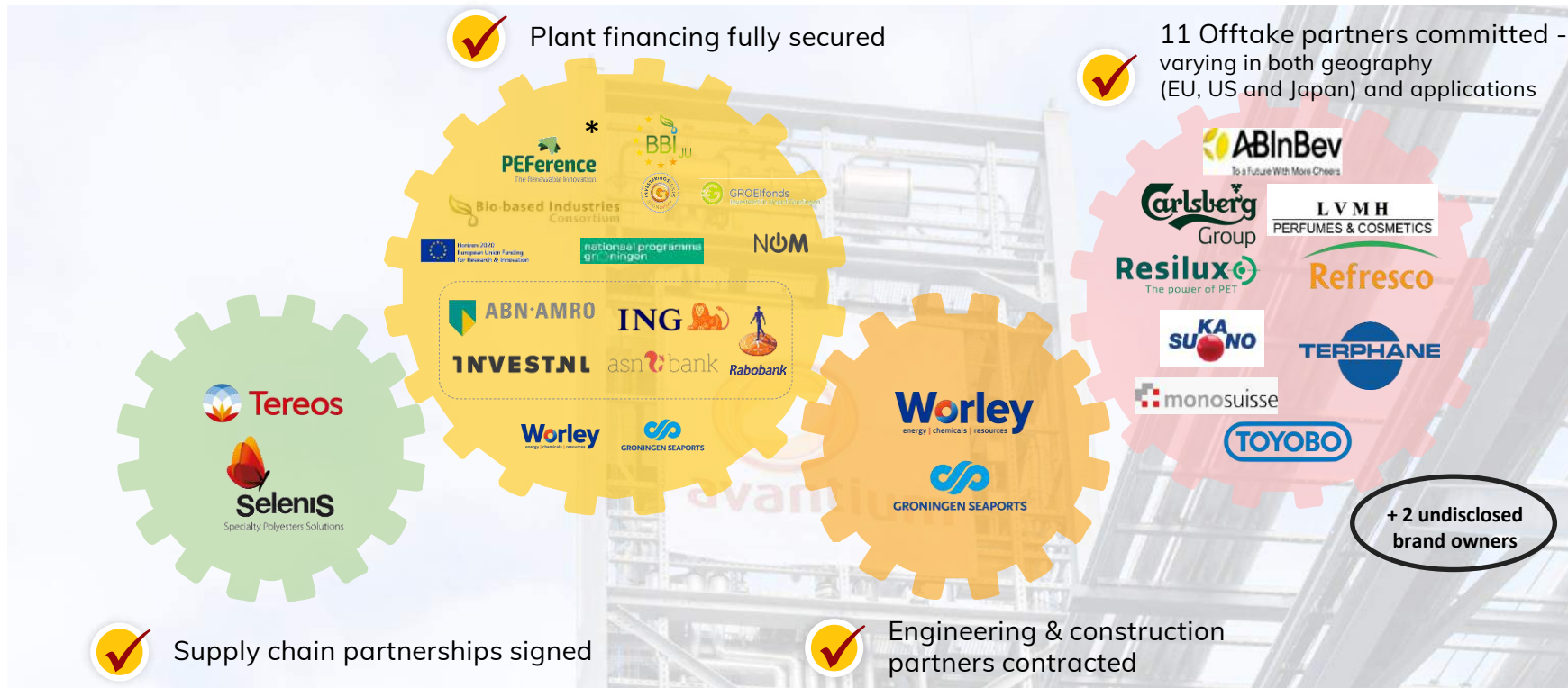
Objective

Prove technology at 5 KTA scale:

Sales PEF &

Unlock licensing business

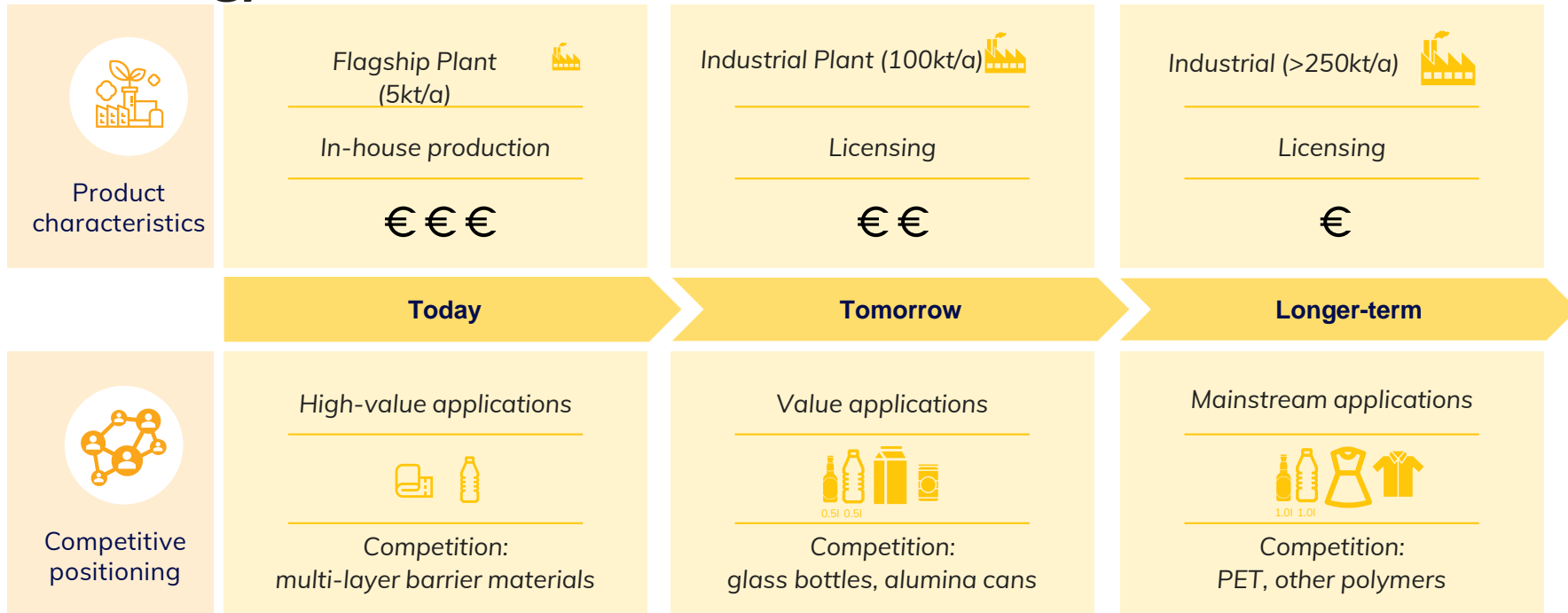
# Successfully de-risked a cross the entire value chain



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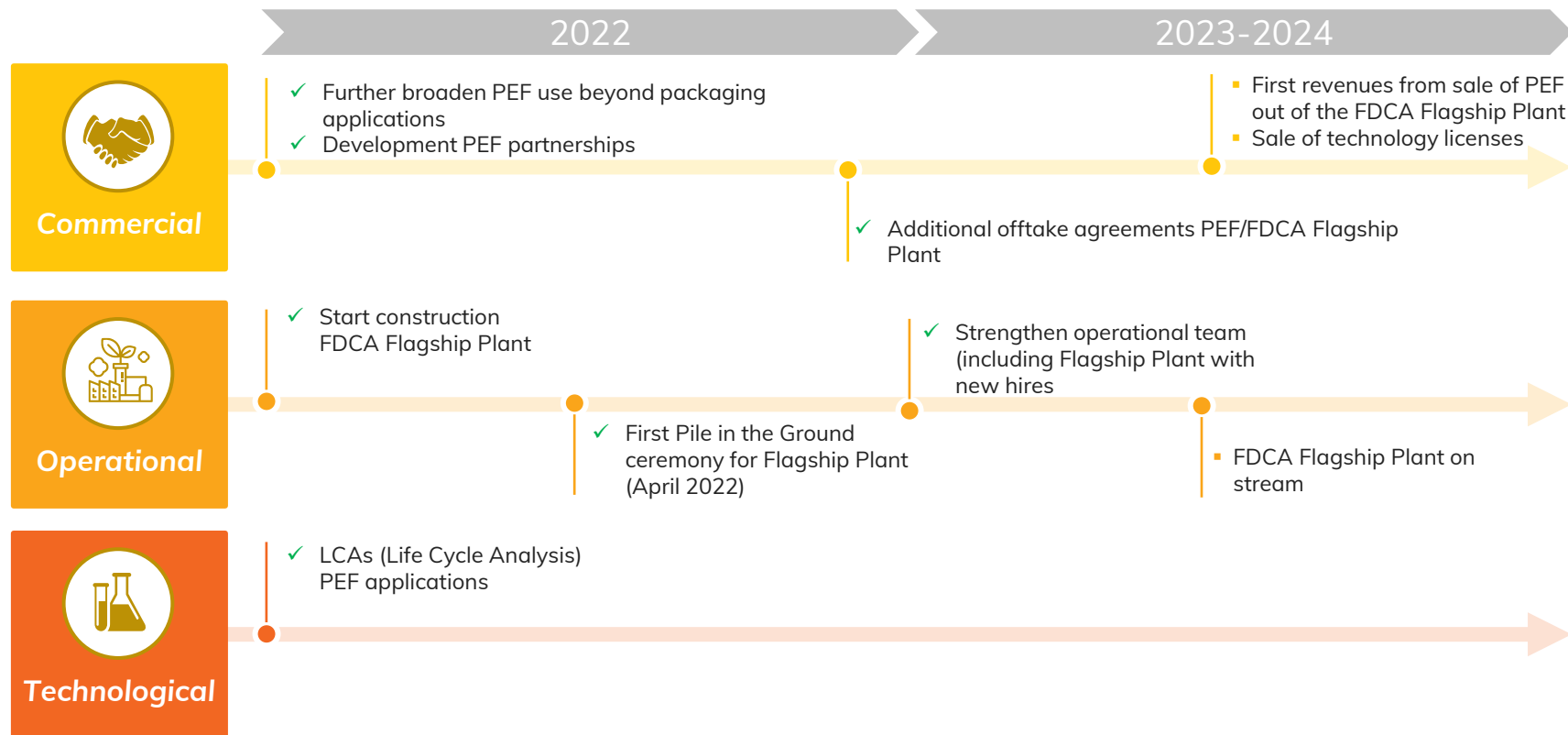
# Avantium has a well-defined and scalable go-to-market strategy for PEF/FDCA



Initial focus on high-value applications with further volume growth to result in cost reduction, leading to a competitive offering across high volume end-markets



# Momentum to accelerate in 2022 driven by increasing PEF adoption





## Part 4:

CLEAR PATH TO GROWTH

# plantMEG is a key drop-in ingredient for large end-markets

## Avantium value proposition

plantMEG will provide brands with a sustainable & innovative ingredient





Note (1) The 2022 ISO-certified LCA shows a greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction of up to 83% over the life cycle when Avantium's plantMEG™ is compared with MEG based on naphtha, shale gas, natural gas or coal. European LCA standards and methods do not allow carbon discounting based on temporary storage



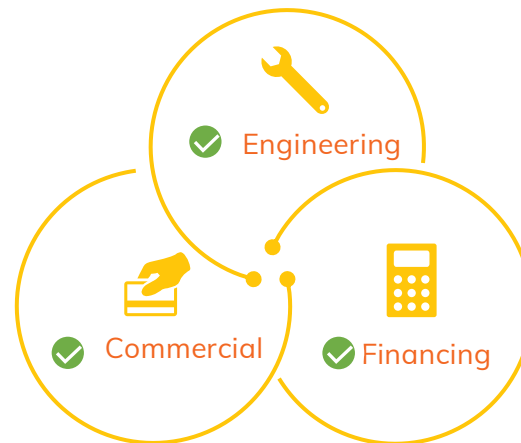


# Construction of plantMEG Commercial Plant

Leveraging on the succesful experience in FDCA

 <b>Location</b> Northwestern Europe	 <b>Joint venture</b> Jointly owned by Cosun Beet Co & Avantium	 <b>Size</b> >100kt per annum (expected)
 <b>Applications</b> Wide range: packaging, fibers & other		 <b>Timing</b> FID 2024 Operational in 2026
 <b>Technology</b> plantMEG license sale from Avantium to JV	 <b>Feedstock</b> Beet sugar from Cosun Beet Co.	 <b>Objective</b> Commercial launch plantMEG

Success of FDCA strategy execution  
will accelerate plantMEG execution





# Value drivers other technologies

## Summary of milestones reached and key upcoming potential milestones

	2022-2023	2024
PlantMEG™	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ LCA plantMEG™ and plantMPG™</li><li>• First LOIs and offtake agreements plantMEG™</li><li>• Application validation plantMEG™ (bottles, fibers, films)</li><li>• Site selection Commercial Plant plantMEG™</li><li>• Financing and partnerships plantMEG™</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Engineering of Commercial Plant plantMEG™</li><li>• Financing and partnerships plantMEG™</li><li>• Final Investment Decision Commercial Plant plantMEG™</li></ul>
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Proven revenue stream R&amp;D Solutions Business</li><li>• Securing of new grants</li><li>• Explore partnerships to further develop and scale-up other pipeline programmes (CO<sub>2</sub> based polymers and biorefinery)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Financing and partnerships for other programmes in the pipeline</li><li>• Scale-up other programmes in the pipeline</li></ul>



# Key drivers supporting Avantium's market potential



# Key takeaways

## Key milestones successfully achieved...

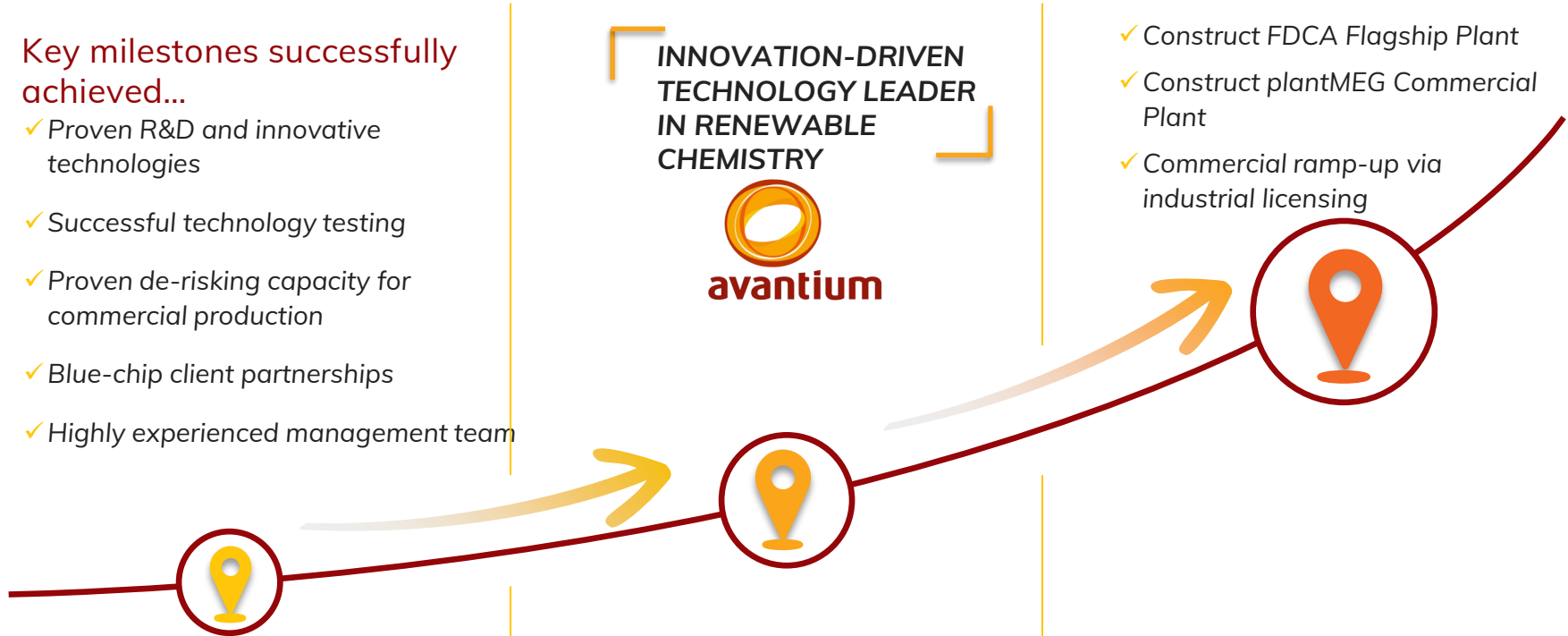
- ✓ Proven R&D and innovative technologies
- ✓ Successful technology testing
- ✓ Proven de-risking capacity for commercial production
- ✓ Blue-chip client partnerships
- ✓ Highly experienced management team

INNOVATION-DRIVEN  
TECHNOLOGY LEADER  
IN RENEWABLE  
CHEMISTRY

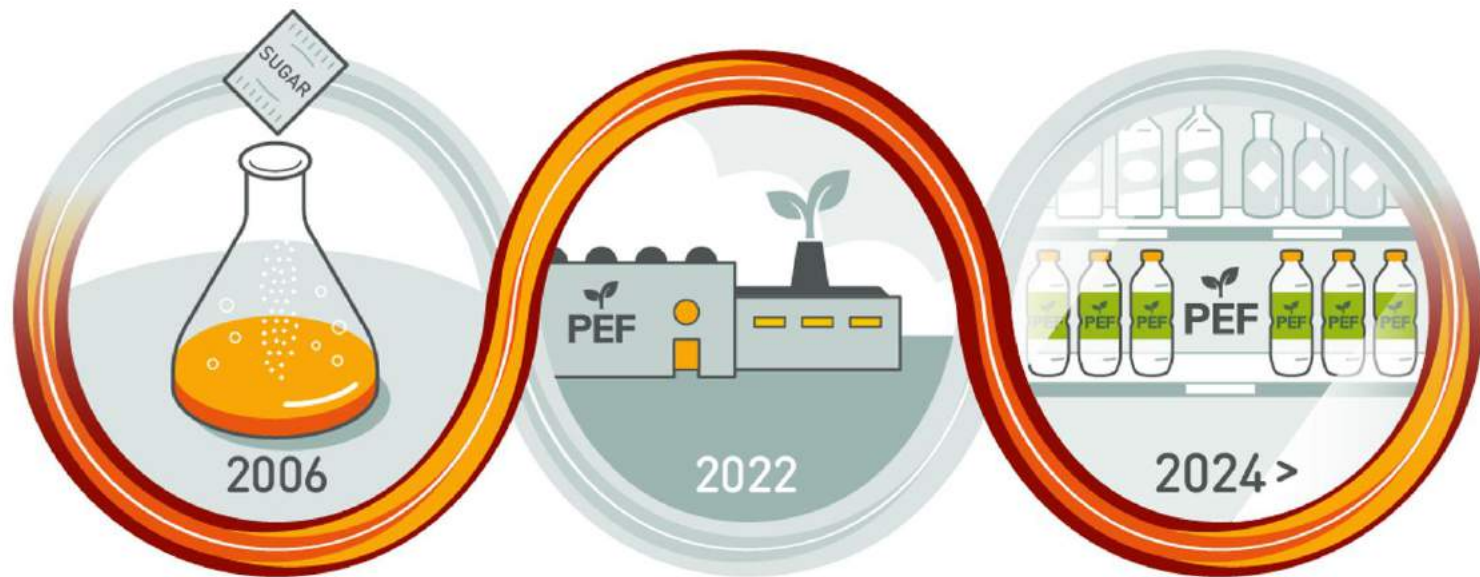


## ...Forming the foundation for commercialisation

- ✓ Construct FDCA Flagship Plant
- ✓ Construct plantMEG Commercial Plant
- ✓ Commercial ramp-up via industrial licensing



# Q&A



# Appendix



# Avantium: experienced leadership team

## Management Team



Tom van Aken  
CEO  
(@Avantium since 2002)

Education:  
Chemistry (Utrecht) and Economics  
(Amsterdam)

Selected previous / other positions:

- Now: several advisory positions, such as Top Team Chemie
- 1999-2002: Director Business development at DSM
- 1997-1999: Sales manager at DSM



Boudewijn van Schaik  
CFO  
(@Avantium since 2023)

Education:  
Business Science (Accounting and  
Corporate Finance) (Cape Town)

Selected previous / other positions:

- 2013-2022: Head of Corporate Finance at SBM Offshore
- 2007-2013: NIBC Bank
- 2005-2007: ABN AMRO Bank



Gert-Jan Gruter  
CTO  
(@Avantium since 2000)



Carmen Portocarero  
General Counsel  
(@Avantium since 2012)



Bas Blom  
Managing Director Renewable  
Polymers  
(@Avantium since 2021)



Yap Chie Cheung  
Managing Director Renewable  
Chemistries  
(@Avantium since 2023)



Steven Olivier  
Managing Director  
Catalysis  
(@Avantium since 2015)

## Supervisory Board

- Edwin Moses (Chair)
- Margret Kleinsman
- Michelle Jou

Former CEO Ablynx NV and Oxford Assymetry International  
CFO Agrifirm  
CEO Castrol

- Nils Björkman
- Dirk Van Meirvenne (nominee)
- Peter Williams (nominee)

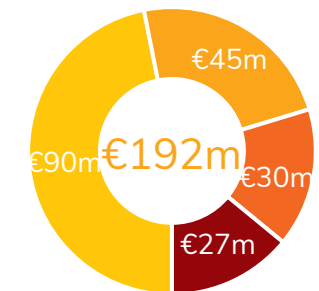
Worked for 33 years in various senior management positions at Tetra Pak Group  
Head of the Advanced Industrial Intermediates business unit at Lanxess  
Group Technology Director and Head Of Investor Relations at INEOS



# FDCA Flagship Plant financing fully secured

Financial Close reached on 31 March 2022

## Funding sources



## Funding uses



CAPEX: €115m



Running cost (OPEX): €65m



Interest, other: €12m

### Grants (€27m):

- €20m PEFerence grant<sup>(1)</sup>
- €7.5m grant from the National Programme Groningen



### Third Party Equity (€30m):

- €20m equity from Bio Plastics Investment Groningen consortium (BPIG)
- €10m million equity from Worley
- Represents 22.6% of the Renewable Business equity



### Avantium Equity (€45m):

- €45m investment by Avantium (increased from €35m)
- Represents 77.4% of the Renewable Business equity



### Debt Financing (€90m):

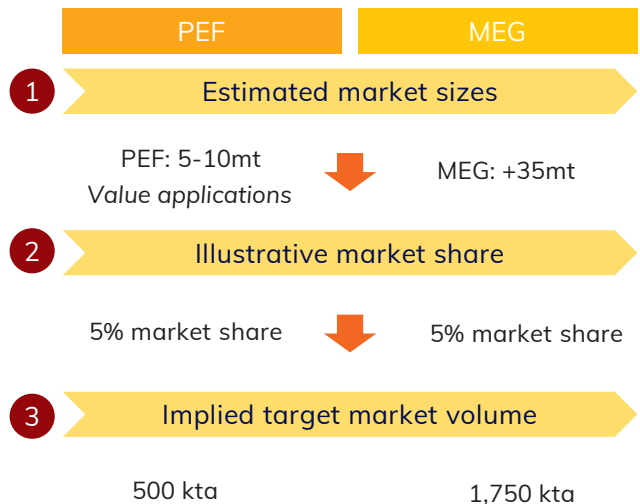
- Each bank has committed €15m
- Invest-NL, government backed Dutch impact investment fund, has committed €30m
- Interest consists of three components: cash interest, accrued interest and warrants



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# Illustrative revenue and profitability model showcasing the large financial opportunity

## Illustrative market targeting



## Revenue & profitability mechanics

**Avantium R&D Solutions**  
Continued organic growth in line with historical levels

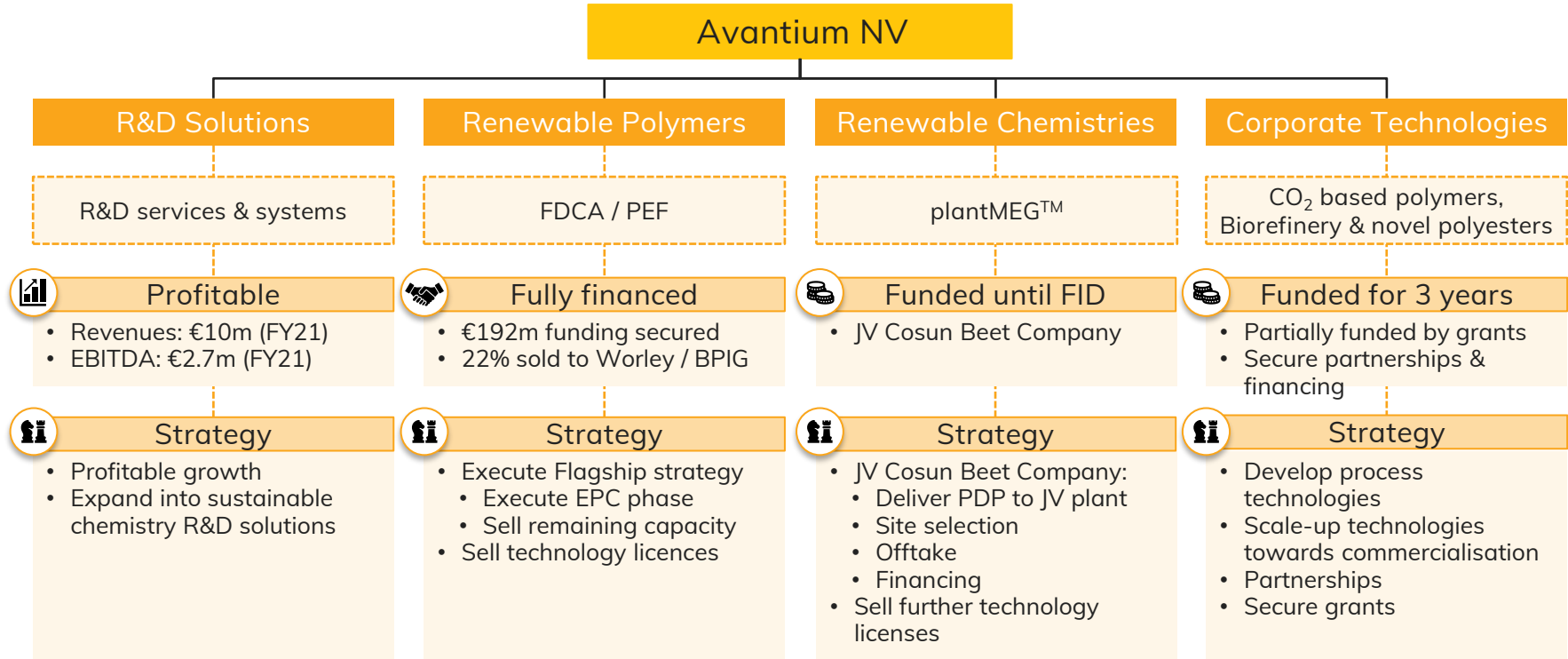
### FDCA Flagship

<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Average selling price</b>	<b>Turnover</b>
5kta	x ~€9/kg	= ~€45m

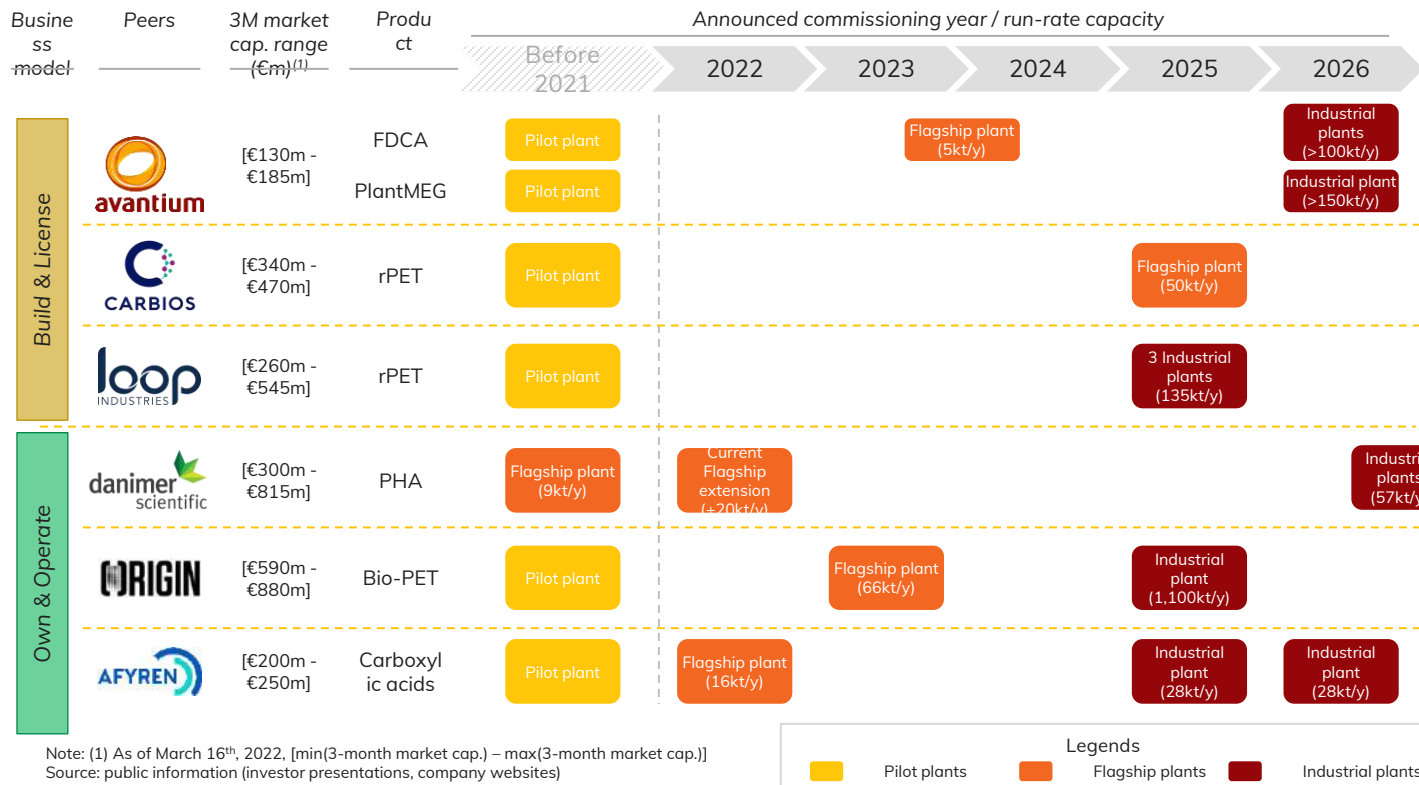
### Illustrative licensing revenues

	FDCA	PlantMEG
<b>Implied capacity</b>	500 kta	1,750 kta
x	x	x
<b>Average selling price</b>	~€4.5/kg	~€1.2/kg
=	=	=
<b>Illustrative gross sales</b>	€2.25bn	€2.1bn
x	x	x
<b>Illustrative royalty range</b>	3%-6%	3%-6%
=	=	=
<b>Illustrative annual turnover</b>	€67.5m- €135m	€63m- €126m

# Company strategy by business line



# Avantium's industrial strategy compares favorably to its core peers



✓ Avantium's industrial strategy is not an exception - Exact same industrial scale-up pattern observed across all innovative industrial peers (Pilot / Flagship / Industrial)

✓ Avantium is actually benefiting from an industrial maturity that compares favorably to other Build & License models

✓ Avantium industrial phasing designed to mitigate scale-up risks by building a first 5kt FDCA capacity unit as a blueprint for further capacity increase (no scale-up risk associated with larger catalysis units)



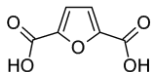
# Avantium tomorrow: Successfully delivering the next biochemicals from disruptive technologies

Today

Tomorrow

## PEF Building blocks

## FDCA



Catalytic conversion of plant-based sugars into FDCA

## plantMEG



Conversion of sugars into plantMEG

CO<sub>2</sub> based polymers

Conversion of CO<sub>2</sub> into high-value chemicals & polymers

## Biorefinery



Conversion of biomass via a biorefinery into industrial sugars

## Avantium value proposition

- ✓ 100% renewable & recyclable
- ✓ Superior performance
- ✓ Feedstock flexibility
- ✓ Initially serving value applications then volume

- ✓ Improved sustainability credentials
- ✓ Market competitive
- ✓ Drop-in

- ✓ Valorizes waste carbon
- ✓ Clean conversion process using renewable energy
- ✓ Proprietary electrochemistry platform for carbon capture and utilization (CCU)

- ✓ Valorizes biomass into valuable feedstock
- ✓ Clean and efficient conversion technology
- ✓ Significantly lower energy

## Status

- Operational Pilot Plant
- Flagship Plant operational by 2024

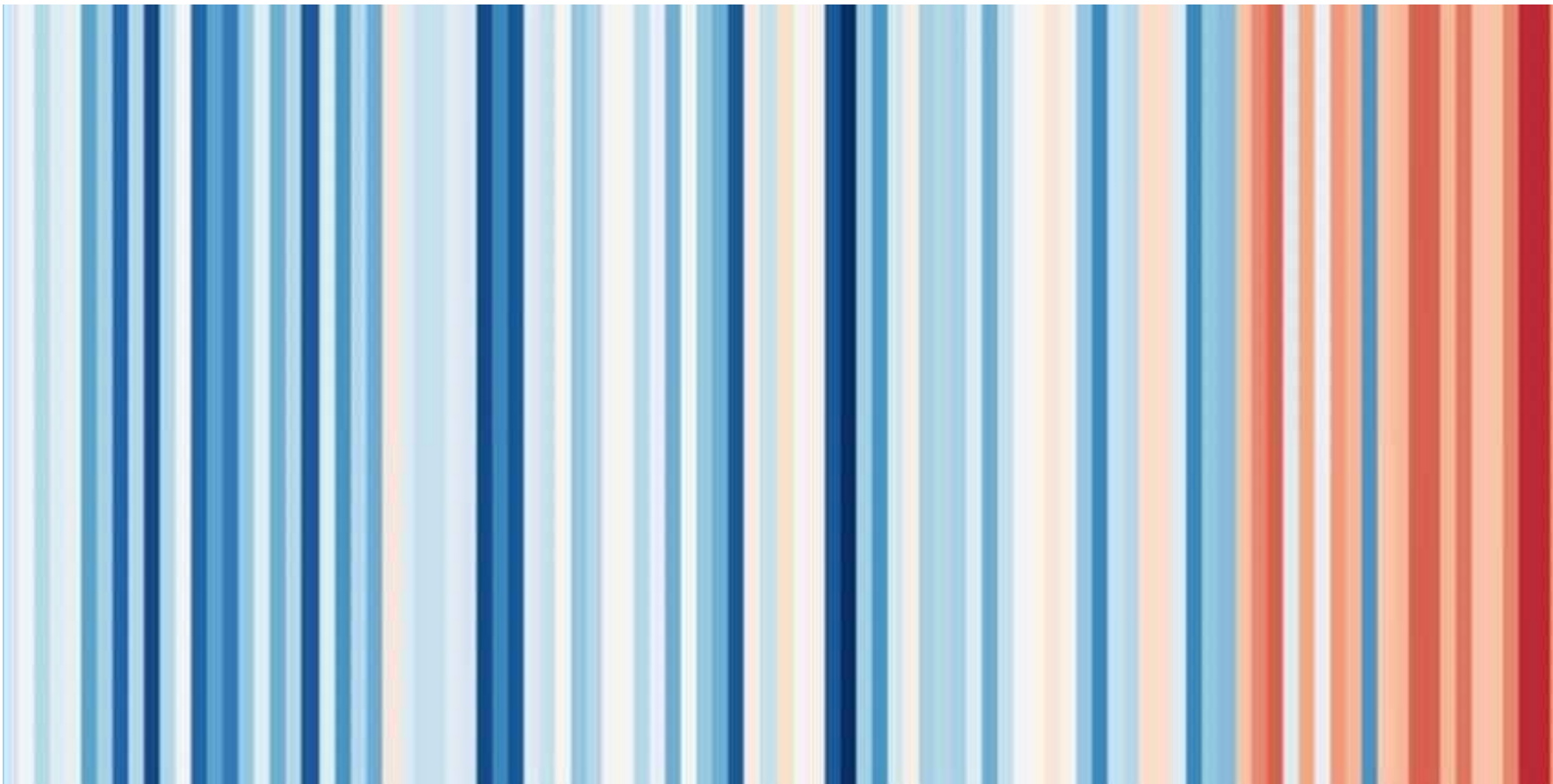
- Operational Pilot Plant
- Commercial Plant expected to be operational by 2026

- Mobile pre-pilot units being tested at industrial sites in Europe

- Operational Pilot Plant

Avantium's expertise in catalysis processes as development platform of disrupting biochemical technologies





Global warming stripes by climate scientist Ed Hawkins