

# Sustainable Initiatives

Frozen Vegetables Industry





# Natural Movement

Since Virto Group was founded, sustainability is essential for the company.

Land is the base of our activity and linked to every **person** within our team, we can **keep offering healthy food to society**.

Since the beginnings of **Virto Group**, we have worked with a strong **commitment** to the **planet**, **people** and **community**. Today, these 3 pillars mark our sustainability strategy under the **Natural Movement** concept.

Because **we believe in sustainable development** and that is how we work. Always ethically, consistently and naturally.





# Planet Sustainable Production





#### **Certifications**

All our production centers are certified by **ISO14001** (Environmental Management) and **ISO50001** (Energetic Management).

Virto Group is also certified by **SMETA**, **ORGANIC**, and **DEMETER** production.

# Circular Economy

During harvest, surplus products are left on the lands as **natural fertilizers**.

We have a partnership with **by-product** specialized companies, which leads us to **upcycle more than 98% of organic waste** for animal feeding, composting and investigation.







# Carbon Footprint

In 2023, we have **reduced to 43.6% the CO2 emissions** (kg CO2-eq) with the consequent decrease of carbon footprint.

Our goal is to **reduce a 5% the carbon footprint in 5 years**.

## Clean Energy

Auto-consumption: we have **installed solar panels in all our production centers** in Spain. (**11M€** investment)

We use **natural gas** as fuel instead of gasoil.



# Hydraulic Efficiency

We have installed **integrated steam blanchers and coolers** that optimize water and energy consumption while maintaining the nutritional and organoleptic characteristics of the products.

We count with **water purifiers** in every speciality production center.





#### **Packaging**

We use recycled and recyclable materials.

Currently working on the **Slim Project** focused on **reducing the packaging thickness**.



## Global G.A.P. Agriculture

We follow **good agricultural practices certified by Global G.A.P.** and work for increase the number of these hectares.

# Byodinamic Production

We produce **Demeter certified vegetables** respecting biodynamic agriculture.



# Community



# Economic Development

Our production centers are close to the crops, mostly in rural areas, where we generate employment, work with local suppliers and contribute with our tax duties.

#### **Charity**

We annually **donate products and economic resources** to different entities:

- Non-profit organizations: food banks, international aid, medical investigation and support, social and labor inclusion, health rights, local communities...
- University of Navarra: Medical Research Center.
- Sponsorship: sports and cultural initiatives.



#### **Community**





# Healthy Lifestyle Promotion

We collaborate with **local high schools** to promote a **healthy lifestyle** based on an **appropriate diet**:

- **Guided visits** to know the process of our products and how healthy quick-frozen vegetables are.
- Workshops to understand the importance of a healthy diet.

#### **Associativism**

We are members of different sectoral associations because, only through collective collaboration, we can achieve common goals and build a better world.











<sup>\*</sup>Some examples.





We value **people** and **talent** besides any condition of race, gender, age or religion.





# Corporate Ethics Policy

Virto Group's Ethics Policy collects the **principles, rules,** values and ways of behaving that conform our company culture.

It serves as **a guide and a driving force** for all the team and helps the company to operate correctly.

Virto Group shares **the principles of the United Nations Global Compact**, supporting the protection of human rights at all times.

# Gender Equality



Virto Group has an **Equality Plan** that determines different measurements to guarantee **equality and same opportunities** between genders.





#### **Inclusion**

We collaborate with Adecco, a non-profit foundation that works for **labor and social inclusion** highlighting the **potential of people** that have any kind of disability or exclusion-risk situation.

The **Family Plan** is available for Virto Group's employees that need support with any person in their families that carries a disability.

#### Lifestyle

Internal programme to promote a healthy lifestyle among Virto Group's team, focused in 3 areas: diet, physical activity and wellness.

- Sport competitions
- Yoga & pilates
- Free fruit for lunch
- Healthy diet workshops
- Nutritional education talks





# We keep working on **Sustainable Development**

