



Global Aluminium Foil Roller Initiative (GLAFRI)

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GLAFRI Joins SAVE FOOD initiative backed by United Nations

The Global Aluminium Foil Roller Initiative (GLAFRI) has become a member of the SAVE FOOD initiative which intends to make a contribution to the fight against global food losses. It is a joint campaign between Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) and Environmental Programme (UNEP) of the United Nations and the Messe Düsseldorf Group, the organiser of interpack.

The SAVE FOOD initiative was instituted to provide a platform for activities and the promotion of initiatives to reduce food waste. One key element in this programme is the development and adoption of appropriate packaging solutions. This aligns completely with the work of the Global Aluminium Foil Roller Initiative (GLAFRI) to offer material solutions for the protection, distribution and preservation of all kinds of food products.

By joining SAVE FOOD as a member GLAFRI is now involved with the campaign development and offers the association's expertise and influence to make a real impact on food waste reduction in all parts of the world.

Commenting on the membership GLAFRI's Director General Stefan Glimm said, "This membership underlines our work we are already doing in the area of sustainability and food preservation. Aluminium foil with its unique barrier properties allows extended shelf life which is one way to reduce food wastage. Additionally, alufoil based packaging allows energy savings through non-chilled distribution like milk."

"This membership demonstrates our commitment to helping to protect valuable food resources while, at the same time, offering realistic and cost effective solutions to the food manufacturing sectors in all countries, climates and economic zones," he added.

Further information:

Stefan Glimm, Director General

The Global Aluminium Foil Roller Initiative (GLAFRI) is the global association coordinating actions on sustainability in order to support foil market growth and promote innovative development. Almost 10% of the annual global aluminium primary production is converted to aluminium foil.

The members are foil rollers (AFM aluminiumfolie merseburg, AL INVEST, Alcoa, Alcomet, Aludium, Amcor Flexibles, ASAS, Assan Alüminyum, Carcano Antonio, Cihan, Comital, Constantia Flexibles, Constellium, Dare/Danyang, Dingsheng, Ess Dee, Eurofoil, Garmco, Hindalco, Hulamin, Hydro, Iberfoil, Impol, Kunshan, Laminazione Sottile, Nikkei Siam, Noranda, Novelis, OARC, SAM-A, Shanghai Shenhua, Symetal, TLM, Toyo, UC Rusal, Votorantim Metais – CBA and Xiashun) and their suppliers (Achenbach, Kampf, IAI, Novelis PAE and Thiel & Hoche) from around the world.