



FACTSHEET

Facts Unilever R&D in the Netherlands

- **Unilever invests €1 billion annually in the Netherlands** on R&D, marketing and procurement activities, which has a large multiplier effect on the Dutch economy.
- Unilever is working closely together with small and medium-sized enterprises (SME) through **4,200 suppliers** in the Netherlands.
- In doing so, Unilever can contribute to the continuing professionalization of the entire value chain, together with all of our partners.
- Recently, we kicked off the **Global Foods Innovation Centre in Wageningen**, where Unilever will be realising a fully sustainable R&D Centre. A **€85 million investment**, which strengthens the Dutch Top sector Agri-Food.
This centre is of crucial importance, since The Netherlands is globally leading in Agri-Food and is the 2nd largest global exporter of Agri-Food products after the United States.
- Unilever's new Global Food & Refreshment division will be located in Rotterdam from 1 January 2018.
- All Unilever's European Marketing and Innovation activities are based in Rotterdam (70+ nationalities).

Facts Unilever collaborations in the Netherlands

- **Topsector Agri & Food:** Unilever is a key partner in this Dutch Topsector policy where industry, science and government work together to maintain and strengthen sustainable economic growth and at the same time address important societal challenges, including Unilever roles in the Top Institute Food & Nutrition (TiFN) and Topconsortium for Knowledge & Innovation Agri & Food (TKI Agri & Food).
- **Chief Economist Roundtable:** Unilever is member of the Chief Economist Roundtable of the Ministry of Economic Affairs, which is its business sounding board for policy making.
- **Sustainable Food Initiative (SFI):** Unilever, the Ministry of Economic Affairs and others are currently developing a brand new Public Private Partnership focused on feeding a growing global population, whilst protecting food production ecosystems.
- **Strategic Partnership Unilever & Minister for Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation:** The Partnership objective is to jointly contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
- **IDH Sustainable Trade Initiative:** Driving sustainability from niche to norm in mainstream markets, thereby contributing towards the Sustainable Development Goals in 11 sectors in over 50 countries.