

Why does it make sense to cultivate seaweed?

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Why

- 75% of the earth's surface is covered by oceans
- 30% of antropogenic CO₂ is absorbed by oceans buffering climate change
- 50-80% of oxygen production comes from the ocean
- 40% of all ocean-living species is affected by pollution and eutrophication
- Eutrophication = massive excess of nutrients, i.e. nitrogen (N) and phosphorus (P)
- In order to maintain planetary balance and keep the oceans alive, nutrients must be removed



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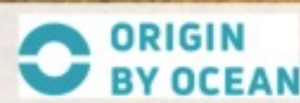
The Global Challenge



Antigua and Barbuda ships samples of the Invasive Sargassum Seaweed to Finland

April 1, 2021

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Costs and damages

US 2,2bn \$

Annual economic damages caused by eutrophication in freshwaters in the United States

US 4,2bn \$

Annual cost to citizens' welfare around the Baltic Sea. Based on individuals' willingness to pay.

US2,6bn \$

Annual economic losses caused by depletion of perennial vegetation and fish stocks in the Baltic Sea.

US3 trillion \$

Globally, the market value of marine and coastal resources and industries is estimated at US\$3 trillion per year, about 5 percent of global GDP.

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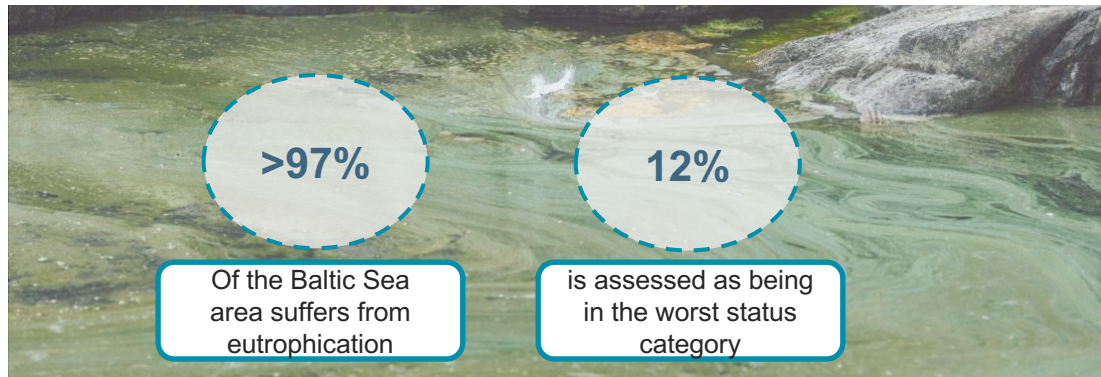
More than 3 billion people depend on marine and coastal biodiversity for their livelihoods.

Eutrophication of the Baltic sea

Eutrophication of Baltic Sea

Eutrophication was first recognized as a large-scale pressure of the Baltic Sea in the early 1980s and action to reduce nutrient loading was agreed in the 1988 HELCOM Ministerial Declaration.

Nutrient loading has decreased from 1980 peak but is still **over** MAI levels in the Baltic Sea excluding some sub-regions. Effect of the reduced nutrient loading has not yet been detected in the eutrophication of the sea.

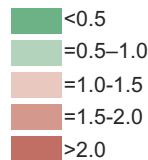


Note: (1) Integrated status of eutrophication in the Baltic Sea 2011-2016 (2) 2018 input including statistical uncertainty
Source: European Commission, Circular Economy Loop, HELCOM, Origin by Ocean

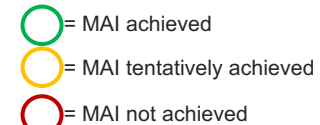
Eutrophication status and nutrient inputs in Baltic sea^{1,2}

Maximum allowable input (MAI) were set in 2007 and updated in the 2013 HELCOM Ministerial Declaration

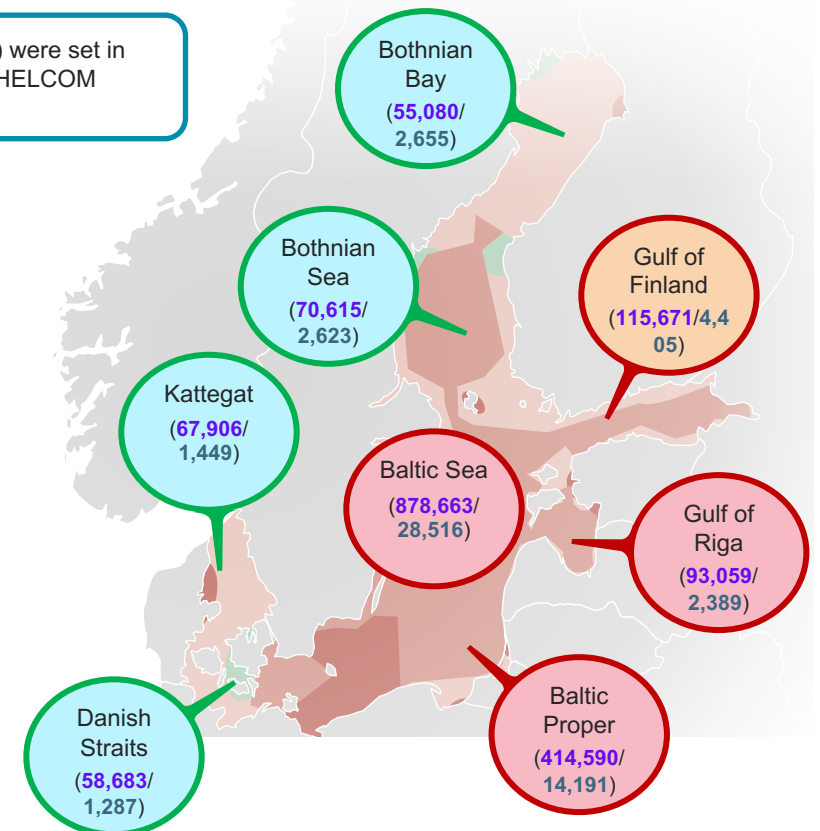
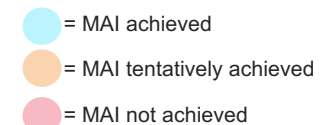
Eutrophication status



Nitrogen (t)



Phosphorus (t)

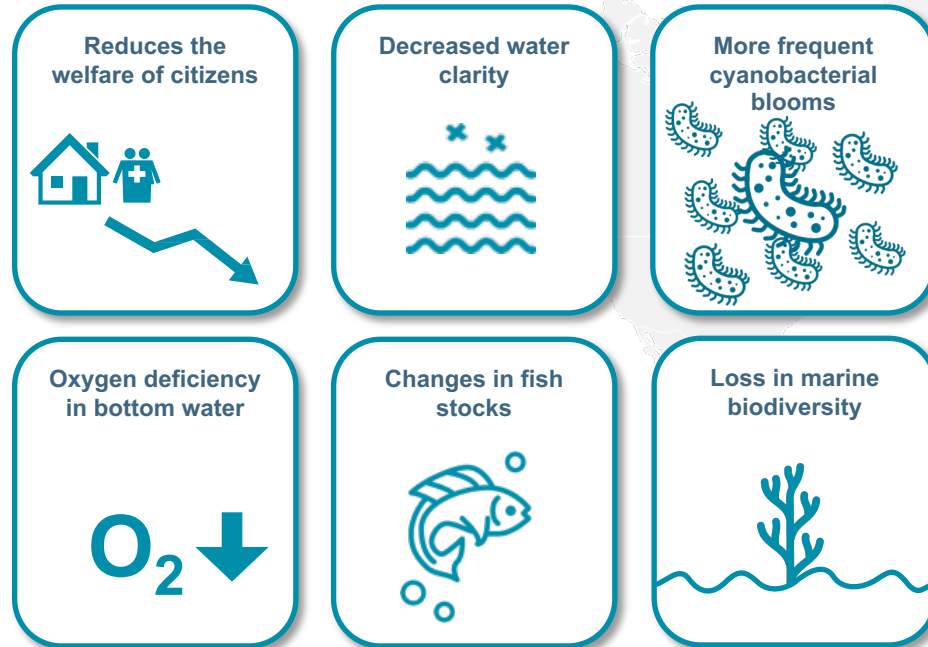


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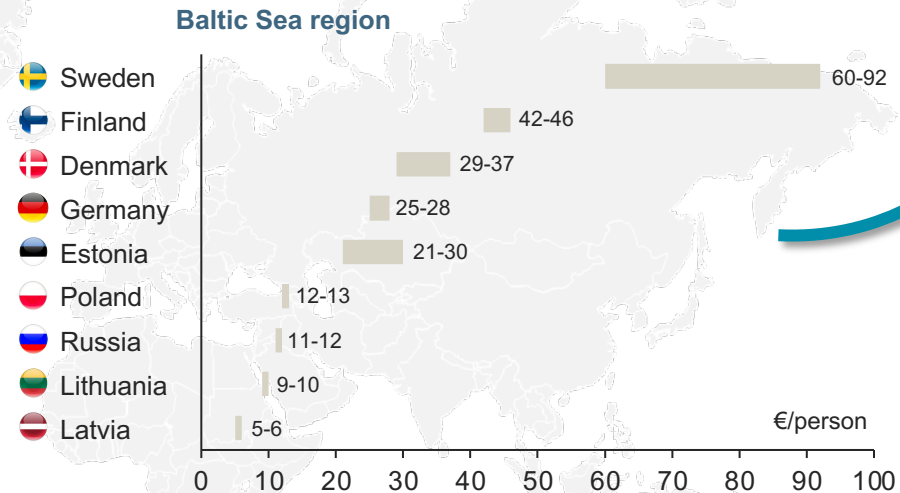
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Cost of Eutrophication

Direct and indirect effects of Eutrophication



Annual loss of benefits due to eutrophication



Freshwaters in the US

Combined financial annual costs

\$2.2b

Total financial loss annually

€3.8 –4.4b

Total financial loss per person has been estimated from all the coastal countries of the Baltic Sea.

Estimated loss per person includes both use-related values (recreational use, effect on citizens livelihood) and non-use related values (balance in biodiversity and health of the environment for future generations).

With better lower eutrophication status, citizens welfare would increase.

Note: (1) Hydrogen sulfide
Sources: HELCOM, Environmental Science & Technology

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Seaweed is a **sustainable feedstock** option, **sequestering carbon** and **capturing nutrients**

We exist for “the Natural Balance of Ocean Life”

Our Mission

Cleaner water, cleaner oceans, cleaner life

Our Vision

A better planet for all of us, thru sustainable use of farmed and harvested marine biomass from our oceans

Our Solution

Clean, sustainable, natural marine bio-based ingredients for the food, beverage, cosmetics and pharma industries



We solve a Global Challenge...

Continuous flow of artificial phosphorous and nitrogen into our waters



Contaminated drinking water



Loss of fish population and native seaweed

**Result:
Extensive blue-green algae blooms and concentrations**



Health threats such as skin rash and allergies



Poisoning of animals and birds



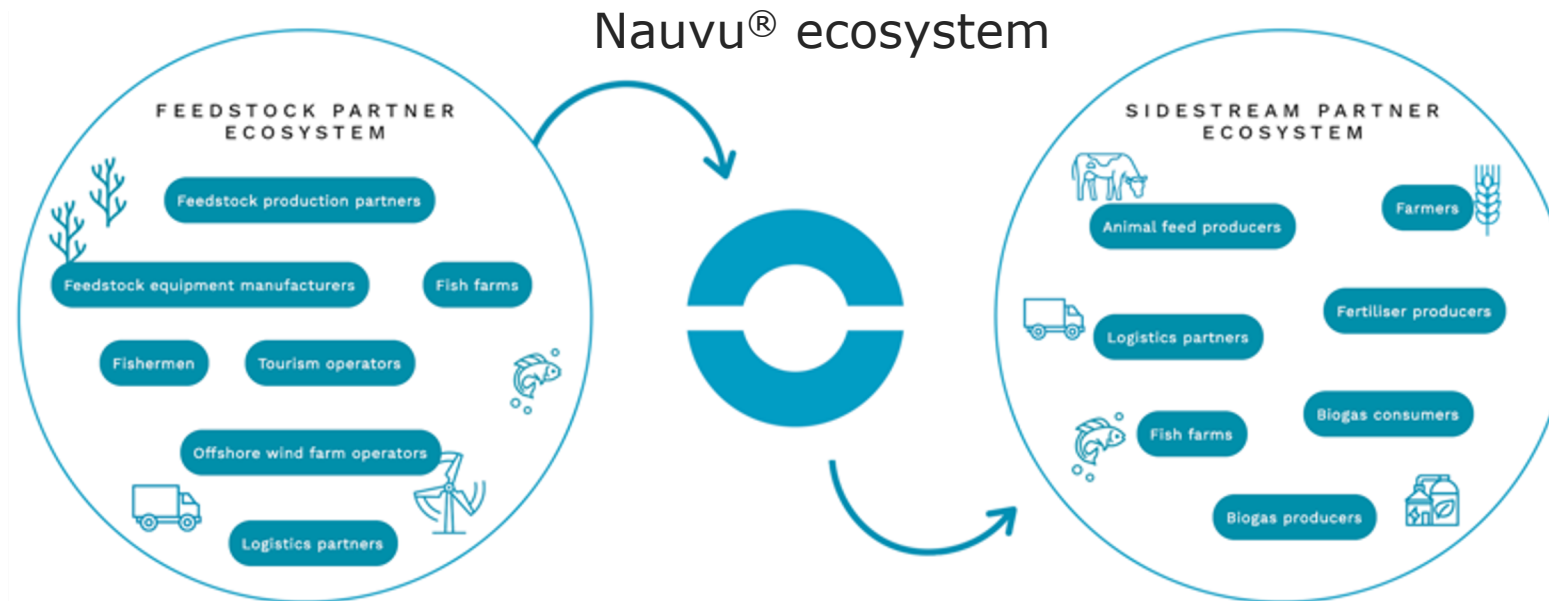
Cloudy waters and slimy shores

"One of America's most widespread, costly and challenging environmental problems" - U.S. EPA

...by turning a problem into an opportunity...

Origin by Ocean use **harvested and farmed** sea and ocean grown biomass, grown in its natural habitat, such as micro algae, bladder wrack and kelp, **as feedstock to produce** natural and biologically sustainable **ingredients** for use in the food, beverage, cosmetics and pharma industries.

We are creating a **global algae-based business ecosystem**(Nauvu® Ecosystem), that will alleviate the excess nutrient problem of our oceans in a sustainable and economically viable manner



...in our novel biorefineries

Origin by Ocean develops a new **highly efficient biorefinery process** (Nauvu® biorefinery process). The unique **dual feed biorefinery process** sets the **new standard** for both overall **process and product yields**, enabling new levels of biorefinery **business profitability and scalability**.

Nauvu® is **designed to meet** the growing need for **plant based ingredients** for **fastmoving goods products** and segments.



Food

Thickening agents
and suspending
agents



Cosmetics

Vegan options for, e.g.,
skin care, hair care,
makeup and oral care



Pharma

Binding or carrier
substances for e.g. pills
and capsules



Other

E.g. textile industry products
and the production of
alginate bandages

Lab-test's and analytics suggest **5-6X yield improvement** for key products, compared to currently best available technology & process



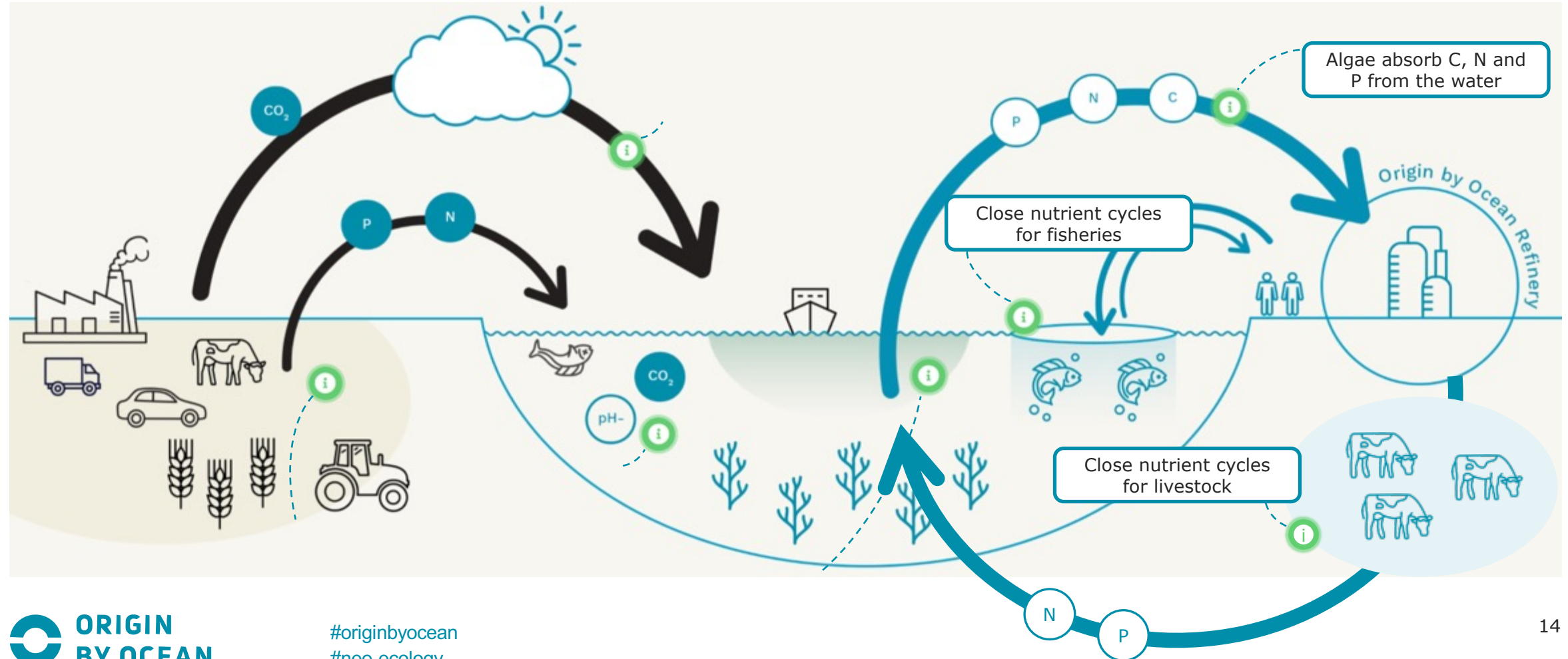
How to create value from an environmental problem?



Our Nauvu® neo-ecology biorefinery solution

Enhancing circular economy by processing ingredients from seas

Our Nauvu® Biorefinery technology & process closes the nutrient cycle from land to sea and sea to land whilst converting a global environmental problem into valuable and sustainable ingredients for industrial applications, creating new closed nutrients cycles, sequestering carbon and generating new circular economy systems.



Why seaweed and algae?

Seaweed and algae offers a sustainable, clean and biological source of raw material, usable for a wide array of applications, that can be harvested and processes with very little burden on the environment.

It is an environmentally sustainable source of raw material

Certain algae's, such as blue-green, are in themselves harmful – harvesting reduces the burden

It grows naturally and can be cultivated

Seaweed and algae extracts can replace ingredients such as fats, synthetic emulsifiers, antioxidants, pigments and active ingredients

Seaweed and algae extracts can be used for a wide variety of applications

Process residuals are biodegradable and can be used in, e.g., fertilizers

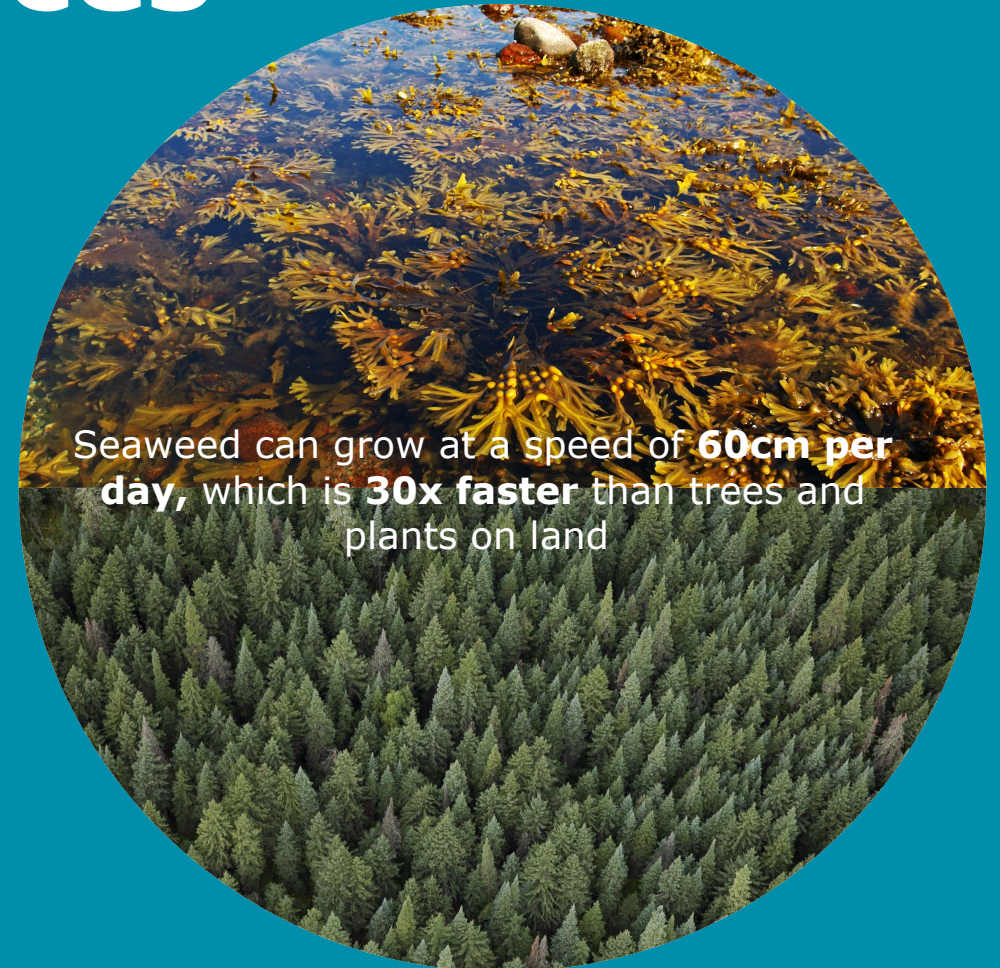
Use of Natural resources

**Territorial waters of Finland:
52 470 km²**

**Example of Bladderwrack
cultivation 50km²
~0,02% utilization**

**Forest of Finland:
224 090 km²**

*Metsä Group Äänekoski plant, 6,5Mm3 timber~8700km2 area per annum,
~0,4% of forrest in Finland, Growth period 60years



Bladderwrack Cultivation

Farming depth: 3-4m

Typical yield: 3-19kg/m²

- Average yield used for estimates: 10kg/m²

Growth period: 3years

80-50.000Tonnes WW Biomass feed requirement

- Annual harvest area: ~5-10km²
- Total farming area: 25-50km²

Farming methods:

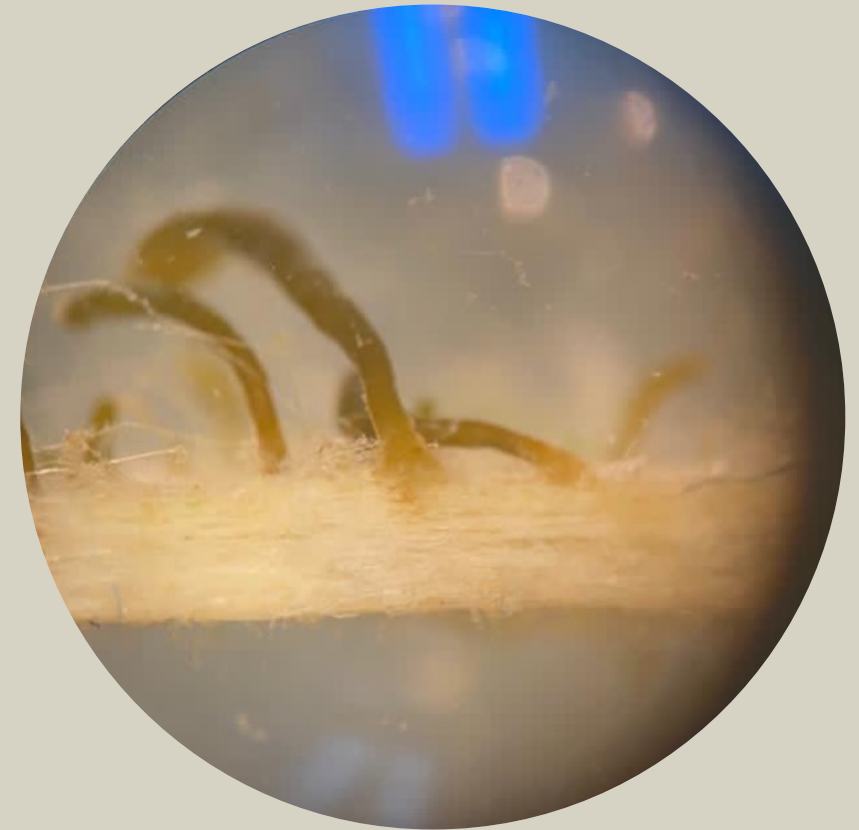
- Rope, lower yield, easier to harvest
- Nets, higher yield, more complicated harvesting



Cultivation scaleup

Bladderwrack production steps:

- ✓ **Reproduction**
- ✓ **Zygot storage**
- ✓ **Zygot seeding**
- ✓ **First growth stage, onshore**
 - **Transfer to offshore cultivation site**
 - **Biomass production at cultivation site offshore**
 - **Biomass harvesting**



Season 2022 activities

Transfer to offshore cultivation sites





Nauvu® Process

The value we create

To the customers, Origin by Ocean creates value by offering bio-based and non-synthetic ingredients that improve sustainability throughout the value chain up to the end user.
Products of animal origin are replaced by the plant-based innovations.



Pharma



Fertilizers



Detergents



Feed



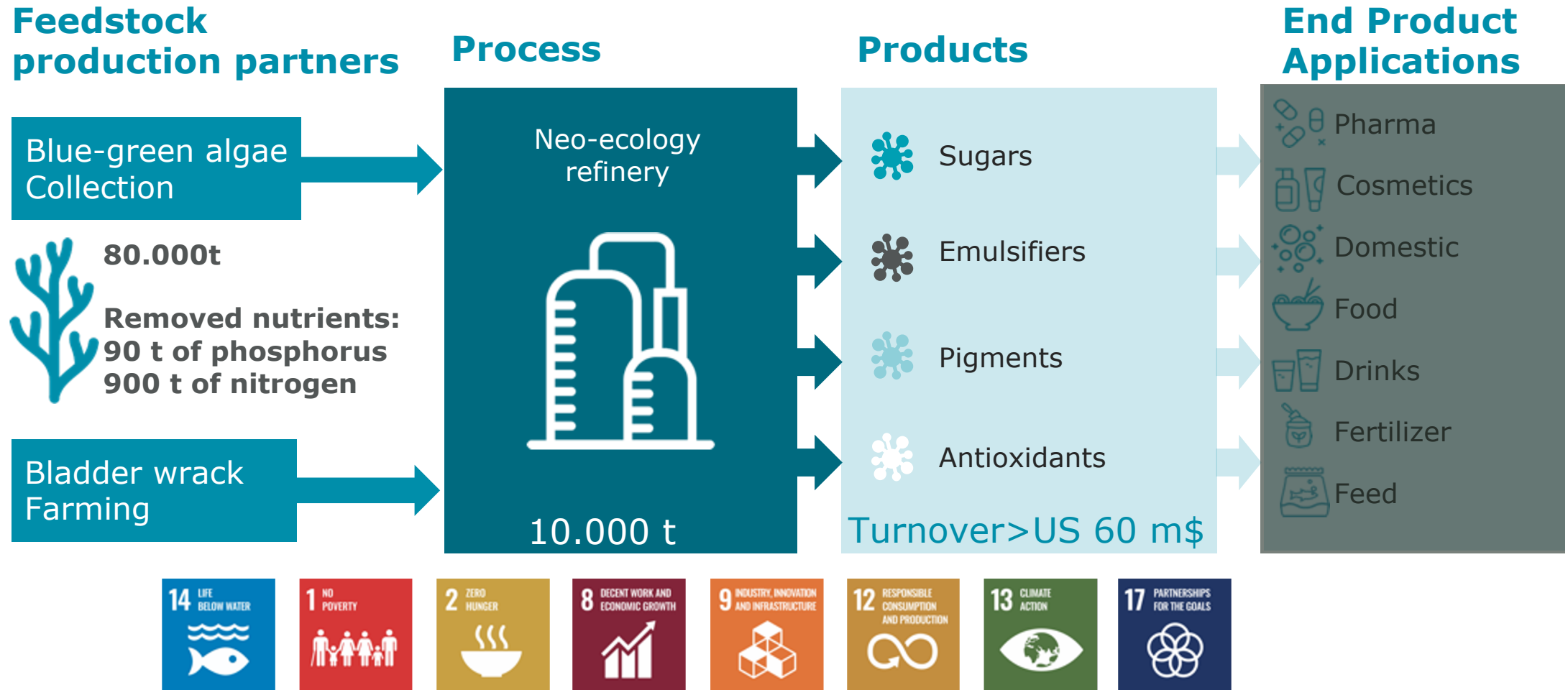
Food



Cosmetics



Solution: Nauvu® biorefinery process



Bringing the balance of ocean life

Initial numbers, demo facility Southern Finland



1. Farm & Harvest

Feed from blue-green algae & bladder wrack

Industrial scale collection of blue-green algae and large scale bladder wrack farming

4. Purify

Through extraction of blue-green algae and bladder wrack aquaculture, the sea we operate in is purified.

Resulting in a annual total nutrient removal from the Baltic Sea of:

~ 90 Tons Phosphorous

~ 900 Tons Nitrogen



2. Refine

Origin by Ocean
neo-ecology refinery



Our first Neo-ecology refinery will annually process:

- **30,000 Wet tons of blue-green algae**
- **50,000 Wet tons of bladder wrack**

3. Apply

Global and domestic industry customers can utilise extracted components in their products

The Neo-ecology refinery will produce 10,000 Dry tons of Biomolecule products

Our partners

Broad range of product application development
partnerships signed and announced



2B USD dairy
producer
Market leader in
Scandinavia



400M USD
Market leader
Beverages,
Finland



US 270M \$
Domestic
cleaning &
hygiene, Market
leader Finland



VITAE Clean Cosmetics

High-quality
private label
contract
manufacturing
of cosmetics
and hygiene
products

+ a number of non-disclosed co-operations with
publicly listed fastmoving goods manufacturers
within baked goods, confectionary, cosmetics and
packaging



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#neo-ecology



We spread value

by creating new seaweed and algae based products for use in different industry applications

For Local communities

The value creation capacity of the Nauvu biorefinery generates new income opportunities for people living in coastal areas to earn a living, creating new value streams and contributing to a more sustainable society.

For nature

The feedstock biomass captures large amounts of nutrients and sequesters CO₂. This way improving the water quality. Seaweed farms generate new habitats and breeding grounds for marine species, thus improving the bio- diversity of the seas.

For industries

Generate a new line of high tech industry which can become a new “trademark” for Finland. Create new business opportunities for companies in the maritime environment

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For individuals

Giving Individuals the consumer choice to impact the environment by choosing sustainably produced products. Contributing to a high impact via high value products from marine biomass, contributing to sustainability goals worldwide, thru consumer choices and goods.

Who we are



Our purpose



Mari Granström
Chief Science Activist

"I am passionate about sustainability and bio-based solutions respecting nature's resources. I am an environmental change making urban activist with a scientific business twist."

"We found our common purpose from solving the global eutrophication problem of our oceans. We are committed to build a sustainable and innovative business ecosystem, by creating value streams for society, individuals and businesses, while turning a global problem into a profitable global business."



Mikael Westerlund
Chief Business Activist

"I am passionate about our wildlife and the wellbeing of our nature. I was born in Nagu, in the midst of the Turku archipelago, with the Baltic sea close to heart."

Our team

Unique subject expertise & skills

We have more than 140 years of combined experience of Business leadership and development, biorefinery process and biobased materials research and development, organic chemistry, biochemistry, marine biology and environmental engineering.





Origin by Ocean™

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Where are we going?

Five steps to success



Step 1: Accelerate the project, develop technology and test outcome in live customer cases

Work in progress

Step 2: Establish proof of concept, from harvesting to end product

Work in progress

Step 3: Secure our position through an extensive IPR-portfolio

Step 4: Commercialise products globally

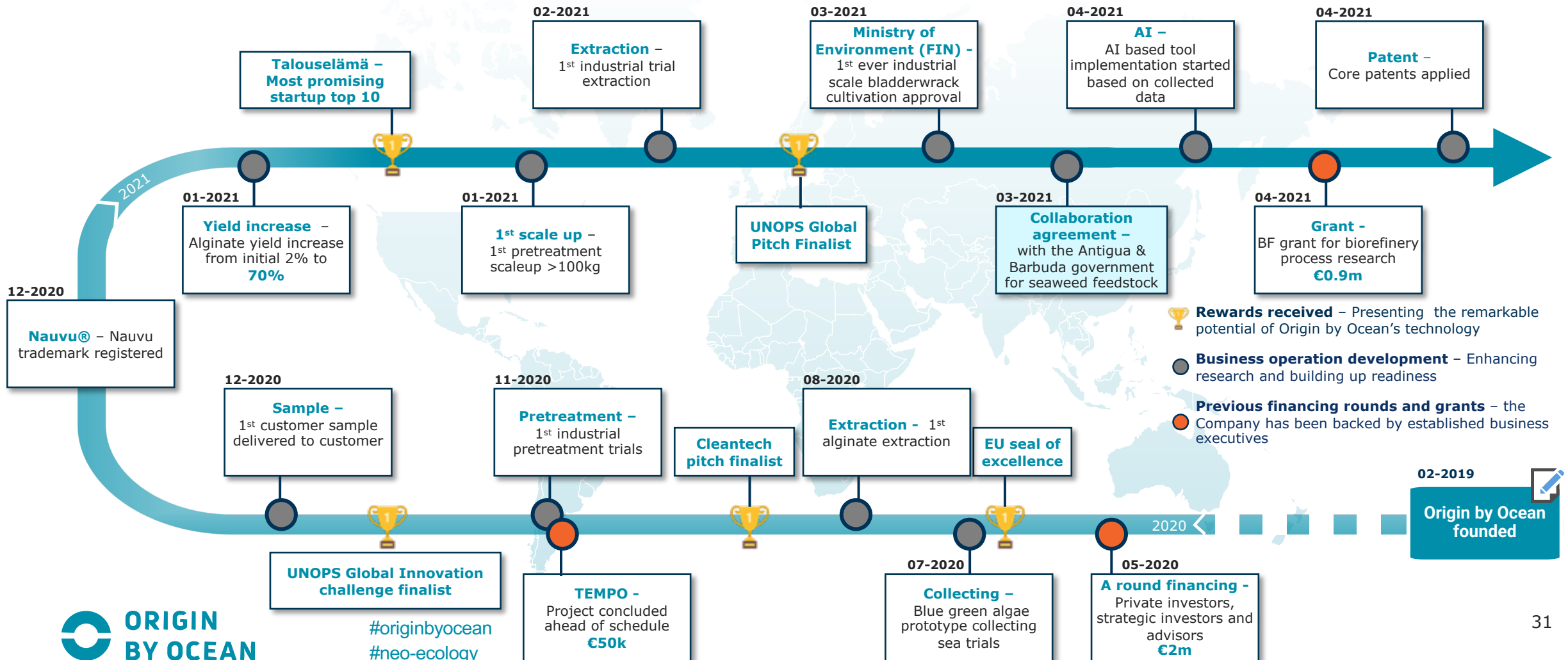
Step 5: Expand and scale production footprint



We are on our way

Origin by Ocean has made great progress in short time

Origin by Ocean's progress is on schedule and proceeding according to the plan - recognized by multiple awards



We aim to grow in three phases

Establish proof of concept

Yield and process proven in test environment

Purchasing commitments received from clients

Proven technology and process

Site investment ramp up

2020 - 2026

Grow to become a €50m business

One site operational on the baltic coast of Finland

Net sales €50m

EBITDA XX %

Production 10000 tons

Established position as supplier of thickening agents to leading players in food, beverage and cosmetics

2026 - 2029

Scale up operations by starting up 3 – 4 new sites

4 – 5 new sites operational in areas where raw material is available (Indonesia, Gulf of Mexico / Caribbean, China, Australia)

Net sales > €500m

EBITDA XX – YY %

Expansion of product range

2030 and beyond



Our next step forward

The integrated Pilot phase

Our goals

We are motivated to build a global company which takes the lead on **solving environmental issues with a new approach.**

We aim to build a **network of ecosystem partners** that jointly work towards creating value while solving environmental issues in our oceans.

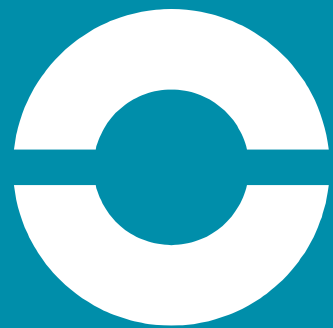
We strive to become recognized as the most innovative producer of algae-based raw materials, **creating nutrition balance in our oceans.**

As a business, we aim to be a **50 million business** by the end of 2029. To reach our goal, our target is to commercialize our products and gain sustained foothold for our products within 2029”

Our long-term goal is to become a **global market leader** in the nutrient removal business being the first company to remove **1Billion tons of nutrients** from our oceans.

Our commercial goal is to be generating an annual turnover in the range of 1 Billion US\$ in the latter part of the 2030 ´s





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