## HERE'S THE SCOOP!

Valio & Lipasu Sweet cup o' mine





International Design Business Management

Corporate Entrepreneurship & Design course 2020

## Megatrends Food Industry – Ice cream Vegan boom Sustainable Ethical production food

#### Valio Established in 1905



- Valio was founded by seventeen co-operative dairies to export butter
- Valio ice cream production and re-entering the market in 2018
- Large company known for it's innovativeness
- Valio is the largest Finnish food exporter exporting to about 60 countries
- Target is to achieve carbon neutrality for dairy by 2035

#### Härtelö

#### Lipasu Established in 2018



- Founded by students in 2018
- Härtelö is the ice cream brand of Lipasu company
- A plant-based ice cream that was originally developed as a food science course project in the University of Helsinki
- Innovative base ingredient: fava bean
- A start-up of five young entrepreneurs

#### Strengths

- A strong and valued brand in the Finnish market
- A large company and product portfolio
- Good customer & trend knowledge

### Härtelö/Lipasu

#### Strengths

- Fun and appealing brand identity
- On-trend enterprise and product: Storytelling approach, vegan
- Agile start-up company

#### Weaknesses

 Organizationally relatively heavy, core business is milk production and distribution which cannot be easily altered

### Härtelö/Lipasu

#### Weaknesses

- New, inexperienced entrepreneurs
- No own large scale production or distribution
- Only one main product
- Low market identity

#### Opportunities

- Possibility to expand product offering further beyond milk within current network
- Flagship in the F&B industry in creating sustainability values

### Härtelö/Lipasu

#### Opportunities

- Partnership synergies from the Valio collaboration
- A Finnish ice cream innovation for export
- Leverage female entrepreneurship

#### **Threats**

- Product range becomes too scattered and isn't recognizable anymore
- The controversy of dairy products

### Härtelö/Lipasu

#### Threats

- Diet trends come and go
- Signature flavor can be copied
- Dependability to Valio may limit further growth



Valio's core is milk

### Effectuation Härtelö / Lipasu



## Härtelö's core is fava bean



# Capable of testing new products

### Effectuation Härtelö / Lipasu



# Low risk entry with student loans



Lemonade

Harder to utilize happy accidents

## Effectuation Härtelö / Lipasu



Lemonade

Embraces the element of surprise



Crazy quilt

## Collaboration is not in the core

### Effectuation Härtelö / Lipasu



## Licencing agreement with Valio



# Constant technological development

### Effectuation Härtelö / Lipasu



# Expanding portfolio and engagement

# YOU MISS 100% OF THE ICE CREAM YOU DON'T SCOOP.

## Design Thinking Valio



- Follow market trends to drive innovations
- Collect consumers' feedback from different channels

### Design Thinking Härtelö / Lipasu



- Recognise consumers' demands from founders' and Valio's insights
- Observe restaurant owners' problems

### Design Thinking Valio



Ideate & Prototype

- Upgrade existing products to meet current market trends
- Create a product line (Jäätelöfabriikki) to apply radical innovations
- Gather innovative concepts from hackathons

### Design Thinking Härtelö / Lipasu



Ideate & Prototype

- Collaborate with Valio in developing new (commercial) flavours
- Work with students to design the package

## Design Thinking Valio



- Have teams of tasters to control flavours' quality
- Work with agencies to ensure packages' convenience and attractiveness

### Design Thinking Härtelö / Lipasu



- Have founders, their fellow students and Valio as testers
- Gather feedback from beta consumers on Restaurant days

### Future perspectives Valio



Incremental

- Fabriikki flavours and products
- Valio frozen yogurt
- B2B products
- Fermented & lactic acid know-how

### Future perspectives Härtelö / Lipasu



- Härtelö flavours and products
- Restaurant collaboration
- Products for the sweet sector

### Future perspectives Valio



Mid-level

- Collaboration with other Finnish companies
- Collaboration with small startups like Härtelö

### Future perspectives Härtelö / Lipasu



- Innovative lupin bean products
- Product development services

### Future perspectives Valio



 Innovation kitchen -type of platform provided by Valio

# Future perspectives Härtelö / Lipasu



 A movement to bring people together with a strong and engaged community

## Future perspectives Valio & Lipasu collaboration



Incremental

- New ice cream products
   & flavours
- New product types under the Härtelö brand

#### Future perspectives Valio & Lipasu collaboration



Mid-level



 Connect the collaboration with the goal to be carbon neutral by 2035

"When I'm no longer rapping, I want to open up an ice cream parlor and call myself Scoop Dogg."

Snoop Dogg