

# Marketing of Faecal Sludge Valorisation Products

How they contribute to a successful sanitation chain

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### **VIA WATER**

VIA Water: Dutch programme that supports innovative projects that solve water problems in African cities

- 7 Countries
- 12 pressing needs
- 60 projects
- Final Call for proposals: 10 April 2017













## **VIA WATER**

#### PRESSING NEEDS IN AFRICAN CITIES

- I. Sustainable access to drinking water services
- 2. Sustainable access to sanitation services and clean cities
- 3. Equitable and efficient water use in urban and peri-urban agriculture



- 4. More and reliable water harvesting and storage
- 5. Sustainable use of groundwater resources
- 6. Improved quality of water resources and distributed water

- 7. Good quality data gathering, management and sharing
- 8. Institutional strengthening
- 9. Sustainable and equitable water allocation
- 10. Viable financial arrangements and partnerships
- II. Improved urban planning

12. Preventing and coping with floods, droughts and coastal erosion



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## Key to the programme

- Local ownership
- Learning
- The Wow factor
- Sustainability
  - Who is awaiting your innovation?
  - Clear view of potential clients (private, public, international)

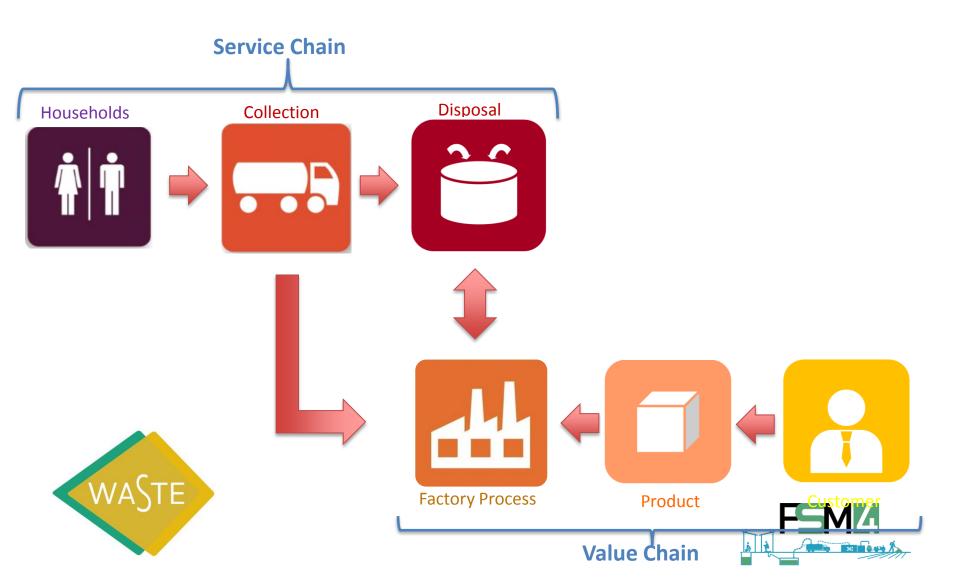






# Valorization of sludge

Important factor successful implementation sanitation chain



# **Biological Urban Sanitation =**

# VIA Water project Maputo

#### **Essentials**

- Minimising the need for pit emptying and excreta handling
- Create socio-economic acceptance
- Commercial production and marketing
- Document and monitor all steps
- Latrines pits which don't fill up









## In-home sanitation

## VIA Water project Naivasha

#### Essentials:

 Convert human waste to charcoal briquettes sold to local small businesses

#### Wow:

Briquettes burn 2x as long and 1/3<sup>rd</sup> emissions of local charcoal

Every ton of briquettes saves 88 tress

 Sold over 30 tons at comparable price to charcoal







# **Organic fertilizers**

# VIA Water project Nairobi

## • Essentials:

 Convert waste to Evergrow Organic Fertilizer to sell to farmers

## • Wow:

- 30% increase in yields
- 400 farms

30% repeat sales >









# **Marketing Mix**

## The 4 'P's

- Product: the sanitation systems and services being supplied/valorisation product
- Price: the amount a customer pays for the product
- Promotion: advertising, public relations, personal selling and sales promotion
- Place: the way of getting the product to the consumer







# **Marketing mix 3 VIA Water projects**

Suggestions for an interesting presentation

VIA Water project	Valorizatio n Product	Price	Promo- tion	Place
BUS	A toilet that needs no emptying	Compatible e price, Sanplat+	Initial piloting through municipality and innovation department	Urban areas, upgrade of Sanplats
Sanivation	Charcoal substitute: Briquettes	\$200/ton	Direct sales & referrals	Local small businesses
Sanergy	Organic Fertilizer	Comparab le price	Direct sales, problem- driven sales approach	Farms across Kenya

## **Conclusions**

- Valorization of sludge makes sanitation 'wow':
  - leads to an interesting sanitation system
  - interesting products
- Wide variety in products
- Valorization can never cover the costs of the service & value chain

