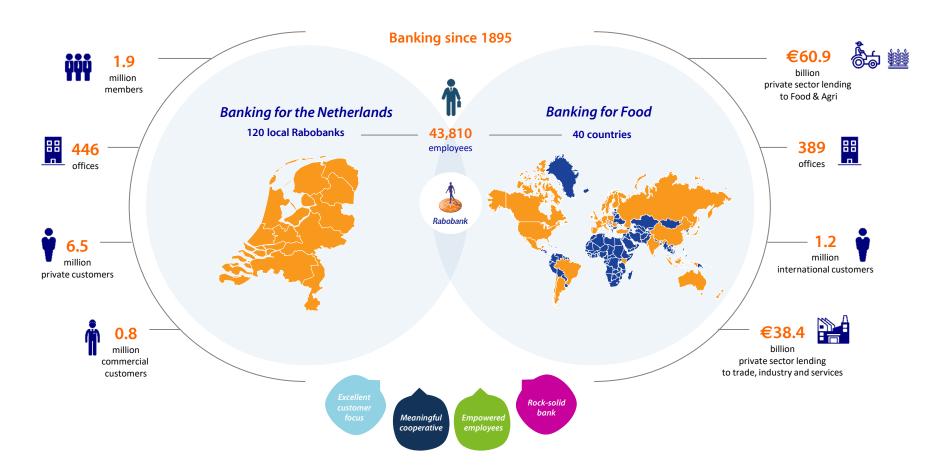


# **Outline**



- 1. Global cold chain market trends, growth outlook and competitive landscape
- 2. COVID-19: disruption and market trend acceleration
- 3. Sustainable Innovation and future market drivers
- 4. Key Takeaways

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## A cold chain market in motion



- 4 main trends have driven the growth and structural developments of the global cold chain market
- COVID-19 outbreak, its short and mid term impacts, might determine an acceleration of those trends, providing a new impulse to the modernization of the sector across the globeb



### Continued M&A activity by incumbents and new entrants

- Demand for cold store assets outstrips availability of sizeable assets
- Number of transactions and multiples have increased over time
- COLD's share price performance further fueled appetite for the asset class
- Except for the US, most markets remain highly fragmented



### Growing demand for modern large-scale capacity

- Large amounts of capital required for greenfields, favoring larger players with lower cost of capital
- Highly automated facilities are gaining traction, particularly for production-advantaged sites
- All time high transaction multiplies are putting pressure on greenfield yields
- · Changing consumer preferences are impacting F&A supply chains



## Cold Chain industry increasingly introducing advanced technology, led by the larger players

- Advanced technology can further improve operating efficiencies and increase safety
- Collection and utilization of data to improve customer experience
- Cold Chain companies becoming data companies?
- Vibrant ecosystem of advanced technology driven service providers



#### Sustainable innovation

- Cold Chain companies, large and small, have a clear advantage in cutting their environmental footprint and manage their energy consumption.
- In coming years sustainability of cold chain operation will be an important competitive tool to attract volumes from F&A producers that are starting to look closely at the sustainability of their logistic operation





# Cold Chain strong growth promoted consolidation within the sector and sparkled the interest of new entrants



#### The strong growth is forecasted to continue in coming years 300 **CAGR** 250 12% 200 150 100 140 CAGR CAGR 50 87 10% 14% **2014 2019 2024**

## Fragmented Sector with increasing top 10 weight

#	Company	Capacity (M m³)	2020 Europe Market Share (%)
1.	Lineage	5.7	4.8%
2.	Kloosterboer	4.6	3.8%
3.	AGRO	3.2	2.7%
4.	New Cold	2.8	2.3%
5.	Constellation	1.6	1.3%
6.	Nichirei	1.4	1.2%
7.	Magnavale	1.1	0.9%
8.	Agri-Norcold	0.9	0.8%
9.	Bring	0.8	0.7%
10.	Claus-Sørensen	0.8	0.7%

#### Cold Chain sector continues to attract new investors 2019 GCM is backing former owner of Terminal Freezers (Dayton family) GROSVENOR Arctic Cold Proposition towards clients is to be an alternative to the industry leaders Greenfield and M&A growth strategy 2019 Maiden investment in cold chain Glacio operates 2 cold stores with c. 40k arcus pallets (Fredrikstad & Rakkestad) K&S operates a fleet of temperature controlled trailers in East Norway 2018 Acquired from founding family Cold storage and logistics provider focused on nuts / dried fruit imports Real estate is leased (Newark, NJ and Kearny, NJ) \* \* 2018 Vanke acquired 7 cold stores in first tier cities from Swire for c. \$290m **✓**✓ 万结 **SWIRE** Capacity of c. 102m cu. ft. Vanke started its cold chain operations before this transaction 2017 Cold storage and logistics provider focused on wine, cheese, chocolate and craft beer **MINCLINE** Operates over 22m c ft. of cold storage and a fleet of 60+ trucks Selected potential new entrants





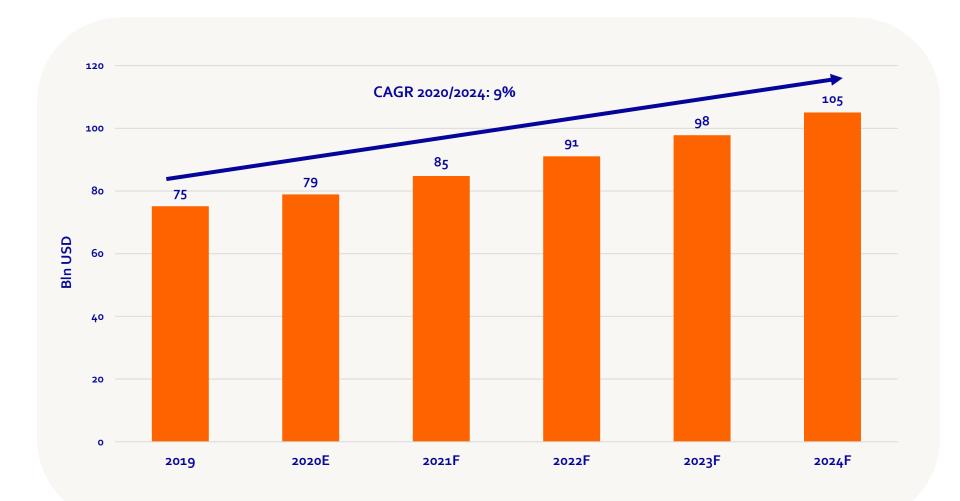


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# European cold chain\* market size forecasted to growth to 113 bln in 2025





## Cold chain players continue to rapidly consolidate



#### **Recent acquisitions M&A strategy Acquirer** Buy & build strategy to acquire small to mid-sized companies in logistic ) transmode hubs Focus on trade flows between food production and consumption areas **FRIO**PUERTO **Doboy**coldstores GROCONTINENTAL Lower M&A appetite expected towards exit/IPO LANIER Gold Storage, LLC Ramped up M&A activity since IPO to deliver on growth expectations NOVA by shareholders Opportunistic US consolidation, while looking for platform acquisition americolo **PORT**FRESH MONTAGUE **OXFORD** Consolidation strategy in ANZ & APAC **SWIRE** emergentcold<sup>1</sup> Announced first acquisition in US COLD STORAGE Polarcold **Finlays** NOCS Potentially looking at Europe as well As a family owned company, Kloosterboer has a conservative approach Kloosterboer UNDY STEVEDORING to acquisitions No major change in M&A strategy expected · Combination of smaller add-on acquisitions and several larger VRIESVEEM HOOGERHEIDE PARTNERLOGISTICS ses transformational deals **W** Lineage Van Soest 🍩 Opportunistic U.S. consolidation, with more focus on consolidating mainland Europe M&A not part of growth strategy, but opportunistically looking at transactions in Germany **NORDFROS** Created partnership with STEF in 2016 extending their network for groupage and fine distribution solutions in Europe • As a family majority owned company, STEF has a conservative approach Logistique STEF (0 Internationale



M&A focus on building cold storage platform in Europe as well as temp

controlled transportation

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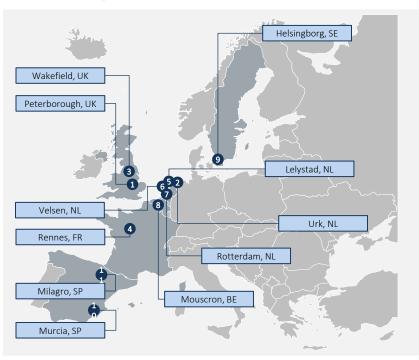
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Alimentaire (49%)

## Growing demand for modern capacity – Europe



### **Locations in Europe**



#### **Comments**

- Due to higher labor costs vs. the US, automation is more common in Europe
- Industry participants mention pressure on greenfield yields as competitors that are anticipating an exit are willing to accept lower yields given record-high transaction multiples
- In May 2019, Rotterdam launched "Rotterdam Food Hub", which is expected to lead to new capacity coming online

## Select greenfield and expansion projects

	Company	Type	Investment (EURm)	Size (sq. ft.)	Storage (cu. ft.)	Pallets	Completion
1	W Lineage	G A	76	300,000	n.a.	150,000	✓
2	ACRO Merchants Group	E	n.a.	n.a.	8.5m	13,750	✓
3	NEWCOLD  ADVANCED COLD LOGISTICS	E A	117	n.a.	141m	143,000	✓
4	NEWCOLD ADVANCED COLD LODIENTICA	G A	76	n.a.	15m	96,000	2020
5	Kloosterboer	G A	n.a.	n.a.	7.4m	40,000	✓
6	Kloosterboer	E	n.a.	161,459	5.3m	40,000	✓
7	Kloosterboer	G	n.a.	86,111	12.3m	40,000	✓
8	Stockhabo	E A	n.a.	n.a.	15.5m	62,520	✓
9	bring	G	n.a.	118,403	n.a.	n.a.	✓
10	<b>✓</b> PrimaFrio	G	n.a.	n.a.	10.6m	n.a.	✓
11	Frinavarra JERGREFKOS DE NAVARRA, SA.	G	18.3	n.a.	9.9m	n.a.	<b>V</b>



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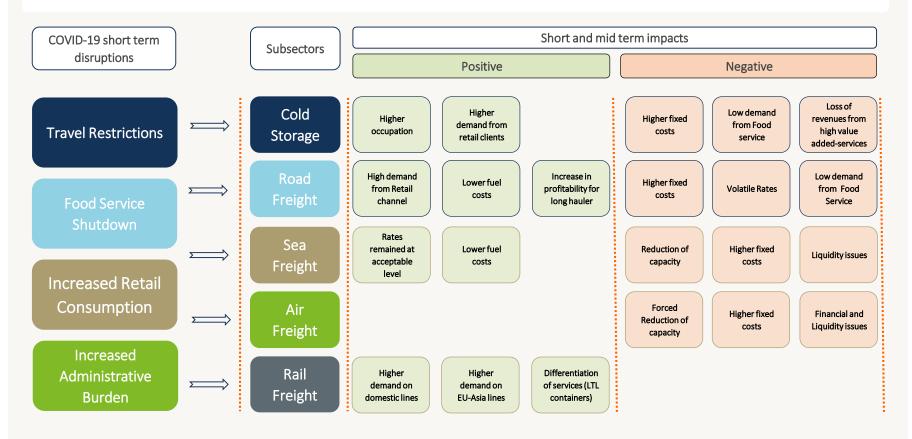
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# COVID-19 short term disruptions impacted F&A logistic subsectors shaping the mid term scenario

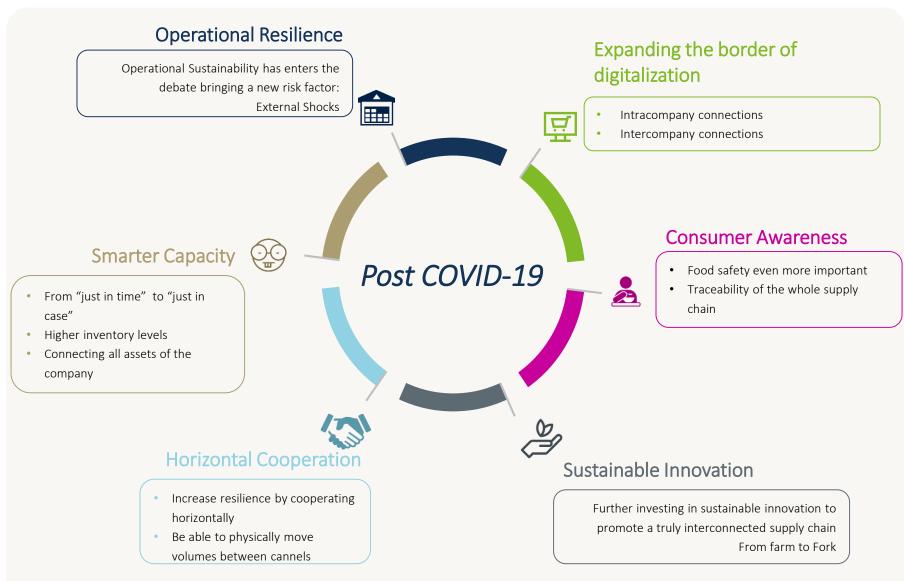


- COVID-19 put high pressure on F&A supply chain that delivered under unprecedented conditions and, in certain regions, it will also have to adapt to the economic recession that will follow.
- Each subsector had its specific positive and negative impacts which will shape their mid term scenarios for the coming 12 months:
  - Cold storage, road freight and rail freight might experienced higher demand from retail and lower from food service in a context of higher fixed costs
  - Air and sea freight took a stronger hit and will have to deal with relevant financial and liquidity issues in next 3 quarters at least.



## Post COVID-19: a complex paying field



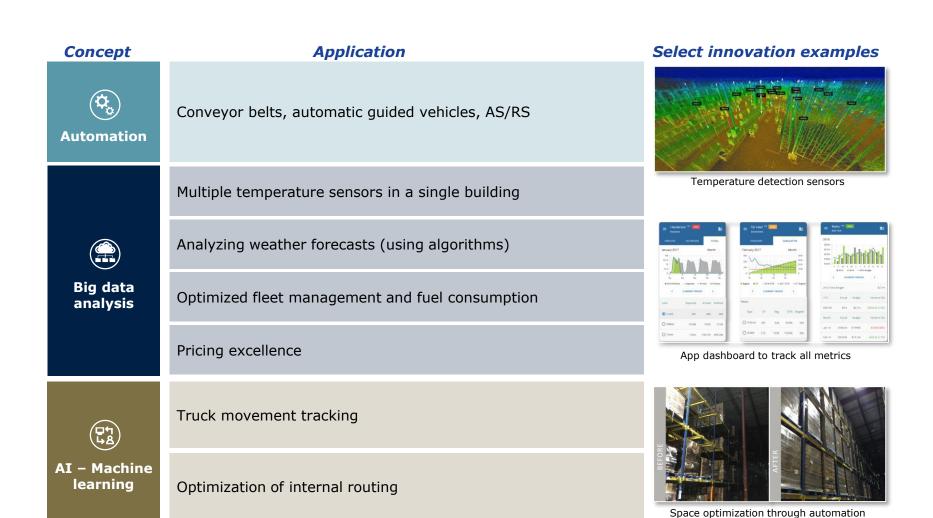


Source: Rabobank, 2019



# Innovation and technology play key roles in the sector's development





Source: Rabobank, 2020

# Regulation, food processors demands and "green" investors important driving forces for the future





## **Food Processors**

Cold chain Sector in Europe and globally should be more proactive in attracting ESG investments Developing the toolbox to report on sustainability commitments and achievements will be fundamental in the coming years



<u>"Green"</u> Investments Food Logistic
Sustainability

Food processor spent the last tem years making their input sourcing as sustainable as possible.

Now they are turning their eyes downstream to the sustainability of their distribution networks.

Logistic providers to company such as Heineken, Unilever, Nestle and the likes must be ready to answer detailed question about their emissions levels, energy use and safety standards

European Union and other international bodies (IMU, ILO, etc.) are drafting legislative reforms aimed at rising the standard of environmental and social sustainability especially for the transport sector covering issues as energy consumption, fuel use, emissions and working conditions



Source: Rabobank, 2020



## **Key Takeaways**



1

Cold Chain sector is an extremely dynamic market that showed impressive growth numbers in recent years

2

- Consolidation and the modernization of capacity are underpinned by sustainable innovation using advance technology.
- Companies have also developed a robust offering of high value-added services

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- In this context COVID-19 brought disruption to the F&A logistic services.
- Disruption pattern is pretty uniform globally, impacts will also depend on the regional cold chain market structure

4

- Cold chain will leave permanent marks on the way cold chain sector perceive external risk factors and disruptions
- Important to invest in connecting assets and in horizontal partnership

5

• Regulators, Food Producers and "green" investors will be key to further developments in the sector that will need to adapt to new driving forces while still consolidating.



