Dairy partnerships for development
Reducing malnutrition and improving livelihoods in developing nations

Arla Foods Ingredients are actively involved in collaborative studies and partnership projects to support health, nutrition and quality of life among low-income populations in developing countries. These projects cross sectors and borders to include NGOs, governments, universities, local farmers and dairies, industry organisations and other companies.

The ultimate objective is sustainable business growth while making meaningful contributions to the UN sustainable development goals, in particular:

Collaborative studies
Arla Foods Ingredients provides whey ingredients for:

- Clinical studies of malnutrition treatments for children and young women in Malawi and Sierra Leone – led by Washington University School of Medicine
- Clinical study of the effect of whey protein on the recovery of tuberculosis patients in Guinea-Bissau – led by Aarhus University

Models for inclusive business
Arla Foods Ingredients works closely with the NGOs Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN) and DanChurchAid (DCA). The company is also a founding member of the GAIN Nordic Partnership and member of the Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Business Network.

Ambitions
- To reduce child malnutrition and stunting by establishing local supply chains for affordable, nutritious food. If successful, the projects should provide significant opportunities for farmers, processor, distributors and retailers – create jobs, improve living standards and support economic development

Projects
- The GAIN Nordic Partnership has initiated dairy and papaya projects in Ethiopia and a dairy project in Zambia
- The Sustainable Food Platform Initiative, founded in collaboration with DCA, is developing a business model for local production of a protein-rich biscuit based on chickpeas

Support
- The Danish International Development Agency (Danida), the UK Department for International Development (DFID) and the global network for green economic growth P4G
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Arla Foods Ingredients is a global leader in natural whey ingredients for products in a range of categories – from infant, clinical, sports, health nutrition to bakery, beverages, dairy and ice cream.