# ELEVATING PARTNER ! COLLABORATION: WORKING TOGETHER FOR SUCCESS

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# THE NEW REALITY: MORE DATA, LESS CLARITY



More data doesn't mean more clarity; It means a greater need for cohesion.

- The situation: explosion of data in CPG fueled by emerging technologies
- The growing challenge: insights fragmentation with less time to structure and synthesize it
- The question: How can we move faster to drive smarter decision-making to unlock growth?



# THE OLD MODEL IS BROKEN





# Siloed Work in Traditional Vendor-Client Relationships

The 'one vendor, one project' approach causes siloed efforts as agencies work in isolation without coordination



# Fragmented Outputs Limit Strategic Clarity

Separate vendor outputs either remain disconnected or need to be stitched together resulting in insights that fail to provide a unified strategic view



# **Elongated Timelines and Slow Decision-making**

Sequential ways of working lead to slower delivery which may be seen as reactive versus proactively driving decisions

"Because insight shouldn't be a deliverable; It should be a shared direction"

- Leabe Commisso, Ipsos



#### VISION FOR A NEW COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIP MODEL



#### From Transactional to Transformational Partnerships

Moving beyond traditional vendorclient roles to create deeper collaboration and stronger relationships with agencies that can bring more value for everyone.



# Agencies as extensions of internal teams

Integrating agency partners as true collaborators within our internal structure, with shared goals and enhanced teamwork.



# Working differently to co-create smarter insights

Partnering openly, leveraging each other strengths and perspectives to generate unified, actionable insights that elevates our impact and unlocks growth.



#### **LAUNCHING A NEW KIND OF AGENCY PARTNERSHIP**

• Invitation to our Top 15 agency partners to come on a journey with us to build something new

• Set Tone that fostered a unified working environment with the mantra that we are better together than individually

 Solicited feedback on what we could do better creating a culture of two-way communication, openness and trust

THINGS YOU CANNOT, THINGS I CANNOT; GREAT THINGS."

-Mother Teresa



# INSPIRATION FROM OTHER COLLABORATIONS



"Collaboration in CPG generates consumer intrigue, expands reach, and creates something new & improved for shoppers...

Partnerships across CPG companies clearly drive results... Similarly, leading research companies have learned this and embrace collaboration as well."

- Peter Tillman, VP Insights at Circana



# WHEN COLLABORATION CLICKS

# From initial skepticism



# To embracing the idea

"By the end of the day, we were all buzzing with energy. The result was fewer silos, more clarity, and faster, smarter decisions."

- Aline Meloni, Mintel





# WHEN COLLABORATION CLICKS: CASE STUDIES



Qual + Quant agencies co-developing a single, integrated solution



Multi-agencies delivering an end-to-end activation playbook

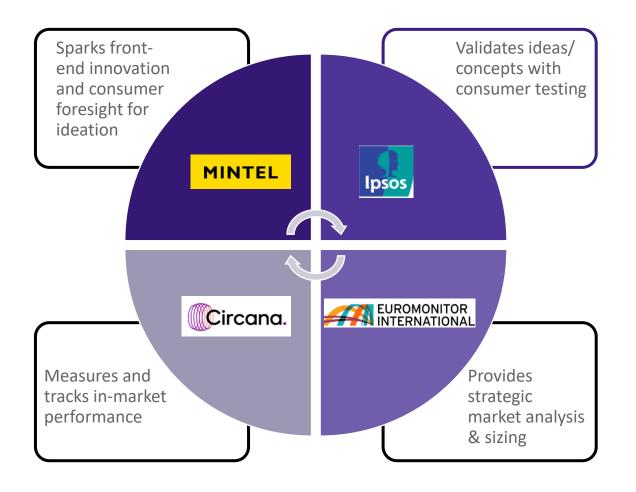


A collaborative effort to co-develop this presentation for Quirks



# THE INSIGHTS ECOSYSTEM IN ACTION

An orchestrated, collaborative, and seamless process for working where each partner enhances the whole

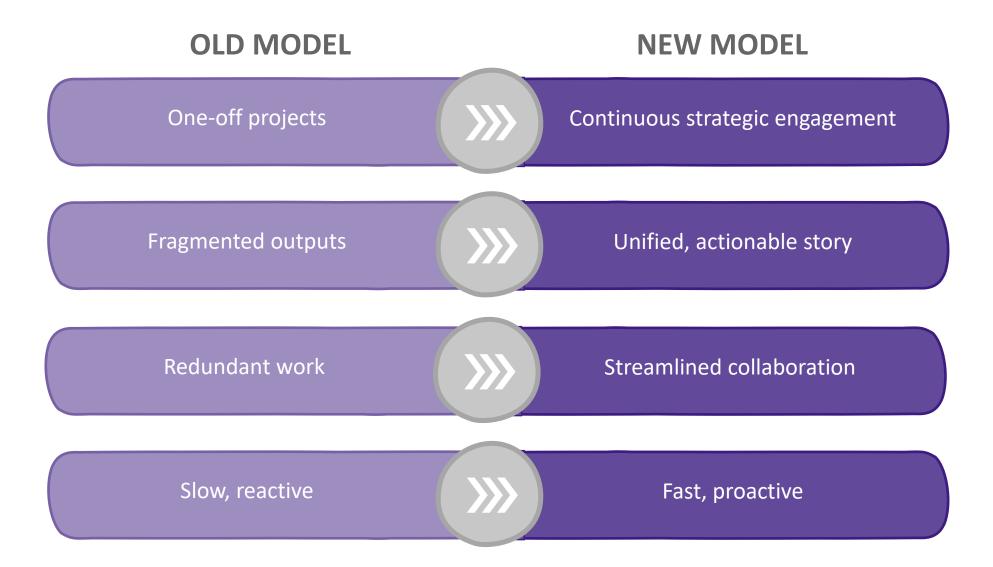


"Stronger together isn't just a tagline—it's a mindset. When each agency brings their unique strength and trusts the process, we move from fragmented insights to focused impact. That's where the real shift happens."

— Heather Prekop, Euromonitor



# **OLD VS NEW MODEL: THE IMPACT OF COLLABORATION**





# WHAT IT MEANS FOR INSIGHTS FUNCTIONS



Insights must evolve from reporting findings to driving holistic strategic decisions.



Agencies shifts from vendors to partners, collaborating closely together and with internal teams.



Ability to transform overwhelming data into clear, actionable business direction.



Openness, transparency, and clear expectations foster effective partnerships.



# A CALL TO ACTION

#### **FOR CLIENTS**



- Set expectations, define roles
- Lead with clarity—and agencies will follow

#### **FOR AGENCIES**



- Embrace collaboration
- Bring your superpower to the table and amplify others





"The client-agency partnerships that break the silos will be the ones who breakthrough"



# THANK YOU!

Mondelez, International