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**Serhii H. Puzko \*****INNOVATIONS IN ECO-PACKAGING MARKET  
AND PROMOTIONAL TOOLS FOR NEW PRODUCTS  
WITH CORN STARCH-BASED PACKAGING**

**Abstract.** The packaging industry is rapidly evolving towards eco-friendly solutions in response to environmental concerns. Corn starch-based materials offer biodegradability, compostability, and made from renewable resources. This innovation has the potential to revolutionize packaging, with benefits such as extended shelf life, cost-effectiveness, enhanced branding, and regulatory compliance. In this paper, we explore the advancements in the eco-packaging market with a specific focus on corn starch-based packaging, while also examining the potential of interactive tools in product promotion. Interactive tools like AR and VR can create engaging customer experiences. Embracing these solutions is crucial for businesses to meet changing market demands. A conceptual model of the process of marketing support for the promotion of an innovative product to the eco-packaging market is proposed.

**Keywords:** packaging industry; corn starch-based packaging; eco-friendly materials; renewable resources; improved shelf life; effectiveness; enhanced branding; regulatory compliance; promotional tools; augmented reality (AR); virtual reality (VR); new products; innovative solutions; market; model of marketing support.

**Introduction.** The packaging industry is experiencing a transformative shift, driven by the urgent need for eco-friendly solutions in response to growing environmental concerns. One of the most promising innovations in this domain is the emergence of corn starch-based packaging. Derived from renewable resources, these materials offer biodegradability and compostability, marking a significant departure from traditional packaging materials. This revolution in eco-packaging has the potential to reshape the way products are packaged, providing a range of benefits such as extended shelf life, cost-effectiveness, enhanced branding, and compliance with regulations. Furthermore, the integration of interactive tools like augmented reality (AR) and virtual reality (VR) presents exciting opportunities to create engaging promotional experiences for new products.

In this paper, we explore the advancements in the eco-packaging market with a specific focus on corn starch-based packaging, while also examining the potential of interactive tools in product promotion. By embracing these innovative solutions, businesses can align with changing consumer demands and contribute to a sustainable future.

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**Results.** In recent years, there has been a growing awareness among consumers regarding the environmental impact of packaging materials. This shift in consumer mindset has prompted businesses to seek out innovative and eco-friendly packaging solutions. Corn starch-based packaging has emerged as a frontrunner in this quest for sustainability.

The use of corn starch-based packaging also offers several benefits to businesses.

Firstly, one of the key advantages of corn starch-based packaging is its biodegradability. Unlike traditional packaging materials that can take centuries to decompose, corn starch-based packaging breaks down naturally within a relatively short period of time, minimizing its impact on the environment. Additionally, these materials are compostable, further contributing to the reduction of waste in landfills [1, p. 1240].

Secondly, it provides an extended shelf life for products by protecting them from moisture and other external factors. This not only reduces product spoilage but also enhances customer satisfaction and reduces waste.

Thirdly, corn starch-based packaging is often more cost-effective compared to traditional packaging materials, offering businesses an opportunity to improve their bottom line.

Moreover, the adoption of corn starch-based packaging aligns with the growing trend of sustainable branding. Consumers are increasingly drawn to businesses that prioritize environmental responsibility. By using eco-friendly packaging materials, businesses can enhance their brand image and appeal to a larger customer base.

As consumers become increasingly environmentally conscious, they seek out products that align with their values, including packaging choices that minimize environmental impact. By utilizing corn starch-based materials, businesses not only contribute to reducing plastic waste and greenhouse gas emissions but also demonstrate their commitment to sustainable practices. This proactive approach can enhance brand reputation, attract eco-conscious consumers, and foster long-term loyalty.

In addition to the advancements in eco-packaging, the integration of interactive tools such as augmented reality (AR) and virtual reality (VR) has opened up new possibilities for product promotion. These immersive technologies allow businesses to create engaging and interactive experiences for customers, showcasing their products in a unique and captivating way. By leveraging AR and VR, businesses can not only attract attention but also educate consumers about the sustainability aspects of their corn starch-based packaging, further reinforcing their commitment to the environment [2, p. 360]. These interactive tools not only captivate consumers but also provide businesses with valuable insights into consumer behavior and preferences [3, p. 214]. By analyzing user engagement and feedback, companies can refine their marketing strategies, optimize product design, and tailor their offerings to better meet customer needs.

Additionally, the use of corn starch-based packaging offers opportunities for creative branding and storytelling. Businesses can highlight their commitment to

sustainability and showcase their efforts to reduce environmental impact through packaging choices. This resonates with conscious consumers who actively seek out brands that align with their values. As the demand for sustainable packaging continues to rise, businesses that embrace corn starch-based packaging and leverage interactive promotional tools like AR and VR gain a competitive edge. They demonstrate their commitment to sustainability, capture consumer attention, and create memorable experiences that enhance brand loyalty [4, p. 329].

By embracing these innovations, businesses can stay ahead in the market while contributing to a more sustainable future.

The revolution in eco-packaging with the adoption of corn starch-based materials, coupled with the integration of interactive promotional tools like AR and VR, offers businesses a unique opportunity to transform their packaging practices and engage consumers in a more sustainable and interactive way. By embracing these innovations, companies can position themselves as leaders in the eco-packaging market, forge stronger connections with environmentally conscious consumers, and pave the way for a greener and more engaging future.

Furthermore, the adoption of corn starch-based packaging addresses not only the environmental concerns but also regulatory compliance. With stricter regulations and policies surrounding packaging waste and plastic usage, businesses that switch to eco-friendly alternatives like corn starch-based packaging can ensure they meet the necessary requirements and avoid potential penalties or reputational damage.

The versatility of corn starch-based packaging is another advantage worth noting. It can be molded into various shapes and sizes, accommodating a wide range of product types and providing customizable packaging solutions [5, p. 460]. This flexibility enables businesses to meet the specific needs of their products while maintaining the eco-friendly benefits of corn starch-based materials.

In summary, eco-friendly packaging innovations such as corn starch-based packaging can offer a range of benefits, from improved product shelf life and cost-effectiveness to enhanced branding and regulatory compliance. As consumers continue to demand sustainable and environmentally conscious products, businesses that prioritize eco-friendly packaging will be well-positioned to meet this growing demand.

The global eco-packaging market has witnessed remarkable growth in recent years, reflecting the increasing demand for sustainable packaging solutions worldwide. While precise statistics may vary, multiple reports indicate significant market expansion and highlight key trends shaping the industry. According to a study by Grand View Research [?], the global eco-packaging market was valued at USD 232.7 billion in 2020 and is projected to reach USD 419.6 billion by 2028, growing at a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 7.6%. This growth is attributed to factors such as rising environmental consciousness among consumers, stringent regulations on plastic usage, and the growing adoption of eco-friendly practices by businesses.

In terms of regional market shares, Europe and North America are prominent players in the eco-packaging market [6, p. 1022]. Europe, in particular, has shown strong commitment to sustainability and has implemented rigorous regulations on

packaging waste. Reports suggest that Europe held the largest market share in 2020, driven by the presence of environmentally conscious consumers and supportive government initiatives.

Furthermore, the food and beverage sector represents a significant segment within the eco-packaging market. With increasing concerns about food safety, freshness, and environmental impact, businesses are actively seeking sustainable packaging options to meet consumer demands. The pharmaceutical and healthcare sectors are also experiencing a growing demand for eco-packaging, driven by the need to ensure product integrity and safety while minimizing environmental harm. The adoption of specific eco-friendly packaging materials varies, but certain alternatives have gained traction. Bioplastics, including corn starch-based packaging, are among the popular choices due to their biodegradability, compostability, and use of renewable resources. Biodegradable materials accounted for a substantial market share in 2020 and are expected to continue their growth trajectory [6, p. 1021]. Furthermore, consumer preferences are playing a vital role in shaping the eco-packaging market. Surveys indicate that a significant percentage of consumers consider environmentally friendly packaging as an influential factor in their purchasing decisions. They actively seek products packaged in materials that are recyclable, biodegradable, or made from renewable resources.

The global eco-packaging market is experiencing significant growth, driven by increasing consumer awareness, stricter regulations, and the desire of businesses to align with sustainability goals. While precise statistics may vary, industry reports consistently highlight the market's expansion and the importance of eco-friendly packaging materials. The adoption of corn starch-based packaging and other biodegradable alternatives reflects the industry's response to environmental concerns and the growing demand for sustainable packaging solutions.

The packaging industry has been rapidly evolving, with a greater focus on eco-friendly solutions in response to environmental concerns. One of the most exciting innovations in eco-packaging is the use of corn starch-based materials. This type of packaging can be used in a variety of products, including food and beverage, cosmetics, and other consumer goods.

Model of the process of marketing support for the implementation of product innovations is formed in a certain sequence. Let's consider it in more detail.

**Idea generation.** The process begins with generating ideas for new product innovations that align with the company's goals and objectives. This can involve brainstorming sessions, customer feedback, and market research.

**Concept development.** Once an idea has been identified, the next step is to develop a concept for the new product innovation. This involves outlining the features, benefits, and unique selling points of the product [7, p. 35].

**Market research.** Market research is conducted to determine the demand for the product innovation, the target market, and any potential competitors. This information is used to refine the product concept and ensure that it meets the needs of the target market.

Prototype development. A prototype of the product innovation is developed to test its functionality, design, and usability. Feedback from customers and stakeholders is gathered to refine the prototype and improve the product.

Marketing strategy. A marketing strategy is developed to support the launch of the new product innovation. This involves identifying the marketing channels, messaging, and promotional activities that will be used to reach the target market.

Launch. The new product innovation is launched, and the marketing strategy is implemented. This can involve a variety of activities, including advertising, public relations, social media, and events.

Sales and distribution. Sales and distribution channels are established to make the new product innovation available to customers. This involves working with retailers, wholesalers, and distributors to ensure that the product is readily available and easy to purchase.

Evaluation. The performance of the new product innovation is evaluated to determine its success and identify areas for improvement. Feedback from customers, stakeholders, and sales data is gathered to inform future product development and marketing strategies.

We will present a general model of the process of marketing support for the promotion of an innovative product to the market. Particular emphasis is placed on managing the assets of the brand equity. The method is shown in the following fig. 1.

**Stage 1.** *Development of an innovative product and assessment of the overall economic feasibility of the project.*

In the first stage there is a direct creation of an innovative product demanded by the consumer. Marketing support of the company's activities at this stage is particularly significant. This is since the creation of an innovative product, as a rule, involves huge investments, and if such a product turns out to be an unclaimed consumer, the company incurs huge financial and often reputation losses. In addition, errors at this stage are most difficult to fix. We will consider the creation of an innovative product directly for two main models of the innovation process: technology push and market pull [8, p. 66].

Following the technology push model involves creating an innovation based on new scientific knowledge. Such an innovation product should have a certain set of properties, clearly fixed and significantly different from competing analogues. Theoretically, these properties should provide the product with competitive advantages in the market. The unique properties of the product provide advantages in the market only if these properties are claimed by the consumer. Therefore, each new product must necessarily be tested for compliance with the needs of consumers. There must be a clear understanding of how the unique properties of the product correlate with the needs of consumers. Note that such a new product can also form a new market [9, p. 2040].

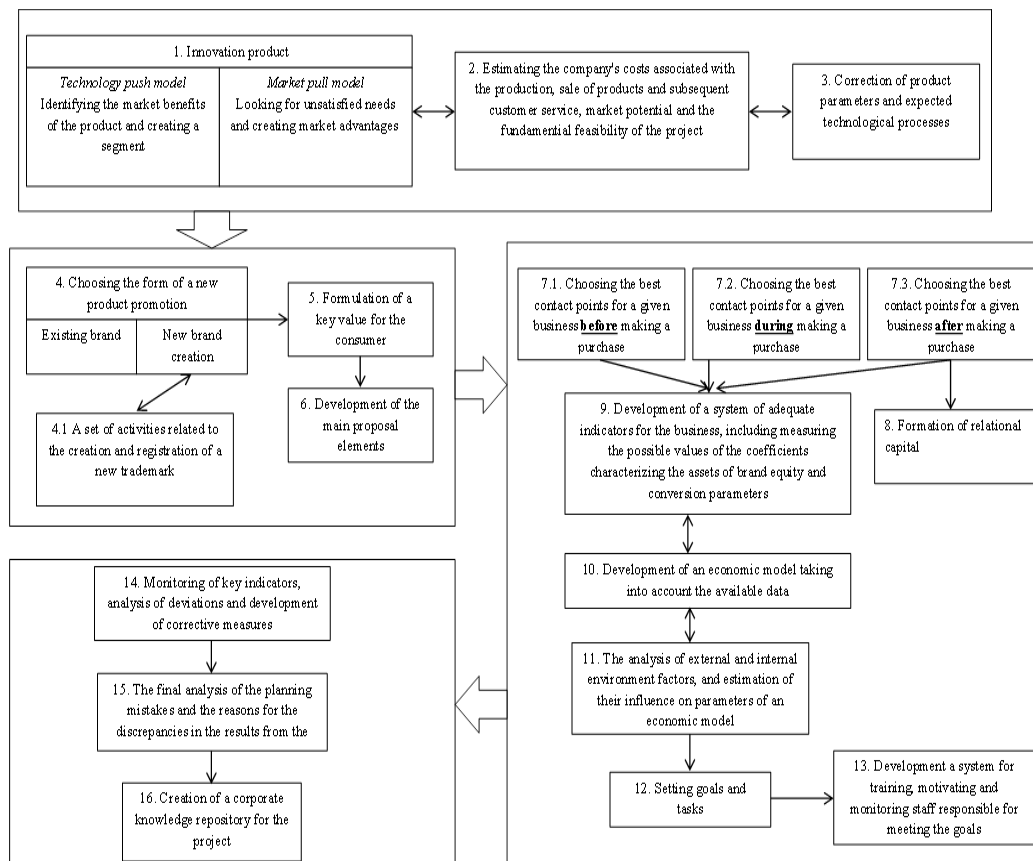


Figure 1 — Model of the process of marketing support for the implementation of product innovations

Source: compiled by the author.

Following the model of market attraction involves creating an innovation based on a thorough study of the needs of the consumer. It's clarified through specially conducted studies using a group of methods called the "Voice of the Consumer". As a rule, the more specific features of the consumer and the corresponding needs are revealed by the company, the greater the probability of success in the new product market, however such information is much more difficult and more expensive to collect [9, p. 2045]. If the company has a strong brand, then it is possible to involve consumers in the generation of ideas related to the creation of a new product. Based on the collected information one or several segments are allocated, the needs of which the company can satisfy in the best possible way. As a result, a product is developed, to the extent possible, responding to the needs of this segment.

The economic feasibility of the project is directly related to the company's ability to offer products to consumers at affordable prices that ensure the company's profit. Calculation of the company's costs for the project allows to determine the lowest possible price level. At this stage, it is also necessary to assess the number and solvency of representatives of selected segments. In addition, the potentials of the segments are evaluated in the context of the company capabilities (appropriate production capacities, logistics, etc.) [9, p. 1066]. As a result, the most promising segments for the company are selected and based on available data the question of the further expediency of product promotion in the market is solved.

When assessing the economic feasibility of the project, there may be a need to refine individual design and functional parameters of the product, as well as technological processes that allow to produce and delivery product to the consumer, optimizing costs.

**Stage 2. Creating offer.**

After the product has been developed and a decision has been made about further implementation of the project, it becomes necessary to create a proposal based on the developed product. Note that the company offers the consumer a product with a variety of real and perceived components of competitiveness.

Choosing the form of a new product promotion. It is necessary to evaluate which option is preferable: to promote a new product under an existing brand or under a new brand [11, p. 1046]. Each of the options has its advantages and disadvantages, which were considered earlier in this paper. In the case of developing a new brand, the company will have to carry out a set of works to create all the necessary external identifiers and legal registration of new trademark. Therefore, it is necessary to have a clear justification for the development of a new brand (for example, when a company works in the budget segment and begins to offer premium products to avoid possible adverse associations, in this case, it may be advisable to create a new trademark). Also, the creation of a new brand is justified if the innovation is sufficiently radical (as a rule, following the model of a technological push) and, as a result, carries more risks, including for the corporate brand. We also add that in practice, innovative companies often offer different products under a single corporate brand, reflecting the company's innovation [11, p. 145].

New brand creation. If the company decides to create a new trademark, the next stage will be the development of all necessary symbols, documentation (brand book, passport standards, kite guide) and registration of the trademark. In fact, there are three main aspects here: creative (creation of a concept, logo, soundtrack, etc.), technical (design of stands, posters, creation of video clips, etc.) and legal (registration of a trademark) [11, p. 536]. We note that several creative and technical tasks remain in the event that the company does not create a new trademark. These tasks are performed in relation to the new product.

Formulation of key value for the consumer. As it has been repeatedly noted, an innovation product, as a rule, is characterized by increased complexity. In this regard, it is extremely important to be able to find a way of communicating the distinctive features of the product (which result from superiority in one or several components of the innovative product competitiveness) that are easy to comprehend the target

consumer, and which provide its advantage over competitors, and based on which brand positioning will be carried out [11, p. 547].

Development of the main elements of the proposal. This includes elements such as the development of a pricing strategy (in particular, «market penetration», «market skimming», etc.), packaging that emphasizes product advantages, staff training, etc.

***Stage 3. Creation of economic model and setting of goals.***

Direct promotion of the product and relationship with consumers can be carried out in accordance with the model of brand equity, reviewed by the author earlier in this paper. Management involves the use of certain indicators that allow to perform basic functions like planning, motivation, organization, control. In addition, it is necessary to work out the economic model of the project and determine the quantitative goals of the project.

In the points of contact of the consumer with the brand before the purchase occurs creating awareness and forming associations. Note that creating awareness and association is much easier when the market already knows the firm. In this case, the emphasis is on the product itself, and the brand serves as an additional guarantee of quality. Otherwise, the company will have to invest significantly more money to convince the consumer to establish an initial contact. The choice of these or other points of contact occurs based on the collected information about the target consumer [12, p. 742]. Points of contact before the purchase are described by three key variables: the coverage of representatives of the target audience (advertising in printed publications, television channels, broadcasts popular in the target segment, representation at events where representatives of the target segment are present, etc.), trust (readiness to perceive the information is also provided by the source of the relevant information), the price (different points of contact differ in value). Coverage has the greatest importance for the formation of awareness, and trust is most important for the creation of favourable associations. The task of the company is to find the optimal contact points for the interaction of the target consumer with the brand, while allowing to reach the maximum possible level of awareness and associations.

The main task of the company at this stage is to ensure maximum brand access to the target consumer. It is necessary to establish an effective system of distribution channels. In many cases, it is advisable to make sales through the Internet. The product must be presented in the right place at the right time. A particular important role for an innovative high-tech product plays information and consulting support at points of contact, which should be provided. In this case, it may be important to provide the opportunity to carry out a test drive of an innovation product. Carrying out such a test drive is an effective tool that allows the consumer to evaluate the advantages of a new product [12, p. 745].

The more complex, high-tech is the innovative product offered by the company, the more important are relationships with the consumer after purchase. These relationships include, in particular, information and consulting support aimed at ensuring effective operation of the product, repairing the product, if necessary, etc.

Maintaining and developing relationships with consumers also allows to maximize the additional values created by loyal consumers. To do this, it is necessary to invest in



the creation of an appropriate infrastructure, various communities in which consumers can freely share experiences and offer valuable ideas. It is necessary to organize various contests and events that allow to ensure maximum contact with consumers. Thus, there is the formation and development of relational capital. As mentioned above relational capital is an asset that can bring benefits to the company both in the current and subsequent projects [12, p. 752].

Based on the established points of contact and other information, a system of indicators is determined based on which management will be carried out. This should include the coefficients that characterize the assets of the brand equity, the conversion parameters and the indicators that reflect the economic efficiency of the project. The final list of indicators determined by the specifics of a particular business.

To implement effective management, it is necessary not only to select suitable indicators, but also to bring them into a unified system. It is important to have a clear understanding of interaction between indicators. If this most important principle is observed, a general economic model is constructed that reflects the transformation of what «consumers think» into what «consumers do» and «firms get» further [13, p. 314].

Project implementation is influenced by a huge number of external and internal factors that must be considered at the planning stage. It is necessary to consider the influence of factors directly to parameters of the project and to assess its sustainability. Let us note the need for a joint, not separate analysis of the factors of the external and internal environment. The analysis of factors allows to make several variants of the parameters of the economic model of the project: optimistic, most probable, pessimistic.

Based on the developed economic model and evaluated factors of external and internal environment is setting goals and tasks for the project. The goal of the project associated with the launch of a new product involves achieving a certain profit margin. Achieving the goal also involves solving several problems associated with obtaining the required values of several brand equity indicators [13, p. 315].

The project implementation and achievement its tasks and main goal directly depends on the effectiveness of the responsible staff activities. Efficiency of employees is directly determined by their qualifications and motivations. Qualification plays a very important role in case of promotion of innovative product about its increased complexity. For this reason, it is necessary to develop system of training, motivation and supervision of employees involved in innovation.

*Stage 4. The implementation of innovative project and save project information.*

During the implementation of the project, the actual data almost always deviate from the plans. For this reason, constant monitoring of project indicators and development of corrective measures is necessary. In addition, all information received during the project should be carefully collected, analysed, and stored in the form as convenient for further use in other projects.

Current project management is mainly through monitoring the indicators of the economic model. In the event of deviation from the planned indicators, it is necessary to take corrective actions [14, p. 347].

The activities of most companies involve the implementation of many projects. Each individual project can be viewed through the prism of the experience and knowledge gained. For this reason, it is necessary to carefully analyse the errors and the reasons for the deviations of the results obtained from the plans.

The results of the analysis should be recorded in a form suitable for future usage. The latter involves the creation and maintenance of an up-to-date corporate knowledge repository. The information available there can greatly assist in the implementation of subsequent projects.

The process of marketing support for the implementation of corn starch-based eco products follows a similar model to the general product innovation process. However, there are specific considerations and strategies that are tailored to promote the unique benefits and features of corn starch-based eco products. Here's an adapted model for marketing support for corn starch-based eco products [15]:

1. **Research and Analysis:** Conduct comprehensive research and analysis to understand the market demand for eco-friendly products, specifically those made from corn starch-based materials. Identify consumer preferences, sustainability trends, and competitors in the eco-packaging market. Gain insights into the target market's willingness to embrace eco-friendly alternatives and their awareness of corn starch-based products.

2. **Product Development and Positioning:** Develop and refine corn starch-based eco products based on market research findings. Highlight the eco-friendly nature, biodegradability, and compostability of these products. Position them as sustainable alternatives to conventional packaging materials, emphasizing their positive impact on the environment and reducing plastic waste.

3. **Marketing Strategy and Planning:** Formulate a marketing strategy and plan that focuses on promoting the unique features and benefits of corn starch-based eco products [16]. Set specific objectives for market penetration, brand awareness, and customer adoption. Determine pricing strategies that balance affordability with the premium value associated with sustainable packaging solutions.

4. **Promotion and Communication:** Execute marketing activities that create awareness and educate consumers about the benefits of corn starch-based eco products. Employ targeted advertising campaigns, content marketing, and social media engagement to reach environmentally conscious consumers. Highlight the renewable nature of corn starch-based materials and their contribution to reducing carbon footprint.

5. **Sales and Distribution:** Establish partnerships with distributors, retailers, and e-commerce platforms that align with the target market's preferences for eco-friendly products. Ensure easy availability of corn starch-based eco products and seamless integration into existing supply chains. Explore collaborations with eco-conscious brands and retailers to amplify visibility and enhance distribution channels.

6. **Evaluation and Feedback:** Continuously evaluate the effectiveness of marketing strategies and tactics for corn starch-based eco products [16]. Monitor customer feedback, sales performance, and market response to measure the success of the product launch. Collect data on consumer perceptions and preferences to inform future marketing decisions and product enhancements.

7. Ongoing Marketing Support: Maintain ongoing marketing efforts to sustain brand awareness and market growth for corn starch-based eco products. Adapt marketing strategies to align with evolving consumer demands, sustainability regulations, and market trends. Foster customer loyalty through personalized messaging, eco-conscious initiatives, and transparent communication about the product's environmental benefits.

By adopting this adapted model for corn starch-based eco products, businesses can effectively position and promote their sustainable packaging solutions. Emphasizing the eco-friendly advantages of corn starch-based materials and leveraging targeted marketing strategies will help drive customer adoption, increase market share, and contribute to a greener future [16].

Additional information regarding corn starch-based eco products and marketing support:

1. Sustainable Sourcing and Production: Corn starch-based eco products are typically derived from renewable resources, such as corn or other plant-based materials. The sourcing and production processes prioritize sustainability by minimizing environmental impact, conserving resources, and reducing carbon emissions. Businesses can highlight these sustainable practices as part of their marketing messaging to emphasize the eco-friendly nature of their products.

2. Environmental Benefits: Corn starch-based eco products offer several environmental benefits compared to traditional packaging materials. They are biodegradable and compostable, meaning they break down naturally over time, reducing waste accumulation and landfill usage. Moreover, they have a lower carbon footprint and require fewer fossil fuel resources to produce, contributing to overall sustainability efforts.

3. Certifications and Compliance: Businesses can enhance the credibility of their corn starch-based eco products by obtaining relevant certifications and complying with industry standards. Certifications like "OK Compost" and "ASTM D6400" validate the compostability and biodegradability of packaging materials. Displaying these certifications in marketing materials can instill trust and confidence in consumers who prioritize sustainability.

4. Educating Consumers: Marketing campaigns for corn starch-based eco products should focus on educating consumers about the environmental impact of conventional packaging materials and the benefits of choosing sustainable alternatives. Highlight the harmful effects of plastic waste on ecosystems and emphasize how corn starch-based materials provide a greener solution. By raising awareness and educating consumers, businesses can foster a greater understanding and appreciation for eco-friendly choices.

5. Collaborations and Partnerships: Collaborating with like-minded organizations, environmental NGOs, or sustainability initiatives can amplify marketing efforts for corn starch-based eco products. Partnering with influencers, eco-conscious brands, or environmental advocates can increase product visibility, reach new audiences, and create a sense of community around sustainable practices.

6. Packaging Design and Branding: The design and branding of corn starch-based eco products play a crucial role in attracting consumers. Sustainable packaging design principles, such as minimalism, use of recyclable materials for labels or graphics, and

clear messaging about the product's eco-friendly attributes, can enhance the overall appeal and differentiate the product in the market.

7. Consumer Engagement and Feedback: Encouraging consumer engagement and actively seeking feedback can be instrumental in refining marketing strategies for corn starch-based eco products. Conduct surveys, social media polls, or product reviews to gather insights into consumer preferences, expectations, and suggestions for improvement. This feedback loop helps businesses continuously adapt their marketing approaches and enhance customer satisfaction.

By leveraging these additional strategies and information, businesses can effectively market corn starch-based eco products. By highlighting the environmental benefits, ensuring compliance with industry standards, educating consumers, and fostering partnerships, businesses can drive consumer adoption and contribute to a more sustainable future.

**Conclusion.** The eco-packaging market is continuously innovating with corn starch-based packaging being a promising alternative to traditional plastic packaging. However, introducing new products with eco-packaging requires effective marketing support to ensure a successful transition. A model for the process of marketing support for implementing product innovations includes market research, product development, promotion, distribution, and evaluation. Various promotional tools such as virtual and augmented reality can also be used to enhance the customer experience and increase product awareness. Additionally, a sustainable business model that considers the ecological, social, and economic impacts can help achieve long-term success. By adopting innovative marketing strategies and sustainable business models, companies can effectively promote their eco-friendly products and meet the increasing demand for environmentally responsible products.

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## ІННОВАЦІЇ НА РИНКУ ЕКО-УПАКОВКИ ТА ІНСТРУМЕНТИ ПРОСУВАННЯ НОВИХ ПРОДУКТІВ З УПАКОВКОЮ НА ОСНОВІ КУКУРУДЗЯНОГО КРОХМАЛЮ

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**Анотація.** Пакувальна промисловість швидко розвивається в напрямі екологічно чистих рішень у відповідь на екологічні проблеми. Матеріали на основі кукурудзяного крохмалю піддаються біологічному розкладанню, компостуванню та виготовляються з відновлюваних ресурсів. Ця інновація має потенціал зробити революцію в упаковці, маючи такі переваги, як подовжений термін придатності, економічна ефективність, покращене брендування та відповідність нормативним вимогам. У статті досліджується прогрес на ринку еко-упаковки з особливим акцентом на упаковці на основі кукурудзяного крохмалю, а також описується потенціал інтерактивних інструментів у просуванні продукту, таких як AR і VR. Застосування цих рішень має вирішальне значення для бізнесу, щоб відповідати мінливим вимогам ринку. Запропоновано концептуальну модель процесу маркетингової підтримки просування інноваційного продукту на ринок еко-упаковки.

**Ключові слова:** пакувальна промисловість; упаковка на основі кукурудзяного крохмалю; екологічно чисті матеріали; відновлювані ресурси; покращений термін зберігання; ефективність; посилений брендинг; відповідність нормативним вимогам; інструменти просування; доповнена реальність (AR); віртуальна реальність (VR); нові продукти; інноваційні рішення; ринок; модель маркетингової підтримки.

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