

# Plant-based Meat Substitutes: Opportunities and Challenges in Southeast Asia

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### FOODSERVICE: AFFORDABILITY IS KEY

Rise of flexitarianism means opportunities for meat-alternative players Purchasing power aids plant-based meat trend in Singapore Southeast Asians face three main barriers to plant-based meat substitutes Perception of meat: Southeast Asia vs North America The need to localise and mass appeal: case study of Omnipork Food delivery and meat alternative tie up: case study of Deliveroo

#### CONCLUSION: OPPORTUNITIES AND OUTLOOK

Growing middle income increases demand for meat The right product certifications mean opportunities in retail Focusing on the four "P"s: opportunities for foodservice COVID-19's impact on outlook for plant-based meat in Southeast Asia

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