# Minimizing Shrinkage ..... Creating Value

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- Project Objective
- Shrinkage Definition
- Size of the problem
- Size of opportunity
- Steps to minimize shrinkage
- Pilot tests & Results



## **Project Objective**

- Categories' Value Increase
- Minimize percentage of Shrinkage
- Map the issue in Greece
- ⊙ Identify practical steps to solution
- First ever pilot tests with results



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"The unknown difference of physical count and system that includes supply chain (supplier – DC – Store) as the percentage of category turnover"





Shrinkage in-store (shelf) is only the top of the iceberg



## Main Shrinkage Root Causes

System	Logistics	Internal	External
Errors		Theft	Theft
<ul> <li>× Wrong stock</li> <li>&amp; prices</li> <li>× Expiry</li> <li>× Damages</li> <li>× Errors at cashier</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Shrink during transportation</li> <li>Billing errors</li> <li>Damages</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>*Unfaithful personnel</li> <li>*Cash shrinkage</li> <li>*Backroom or cashier</li> </ul>	× Shrinkage on shelf × For personal use × Gangs



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## Size of the issue

#### Loss as % of sales



#### Globally 24 billion €!!!

Source: USA: University of Florida 2006 Report: Mexico: 1999 Dr Cecilia Margoana. Europe: ECR Europe 2004 Australia: ECR Australia 2002. New Zealand: Jihn Guthrie 2003. Canada: Retail Council 2004



## Size of the issue in Greece

### Loss as % of sales



#### Shrinkage approx. 180 million €!!!

Source: USA: University of Florida 2006 Report: Mexico: 1999 Dr Cecilia Margoana. Europe: ECR Europe 2004 Australia: ECR Australia 2002. New Zealand: Jihn Guthrie 2003. Canada: Retail Council 2004 Ελλάδα: Μ.Ο. στοιχείων λιανεμπόρων που συμμετείχαν στο Project (2008)



## Root causes effect

Studies	System Errors	Logistics	Internal Theft	External Theft	Total
ECR Europe	27%	7%	28%	38%	100%
University of Florida	15%	5%	48%	32%	100%
Checkpoint	16%	7%	29%	48%	100%
ECR Australia	29%	11%	25%	35%	100%

Shrinkage is a complicated issue 2/3 of losses is due to internal and external theft



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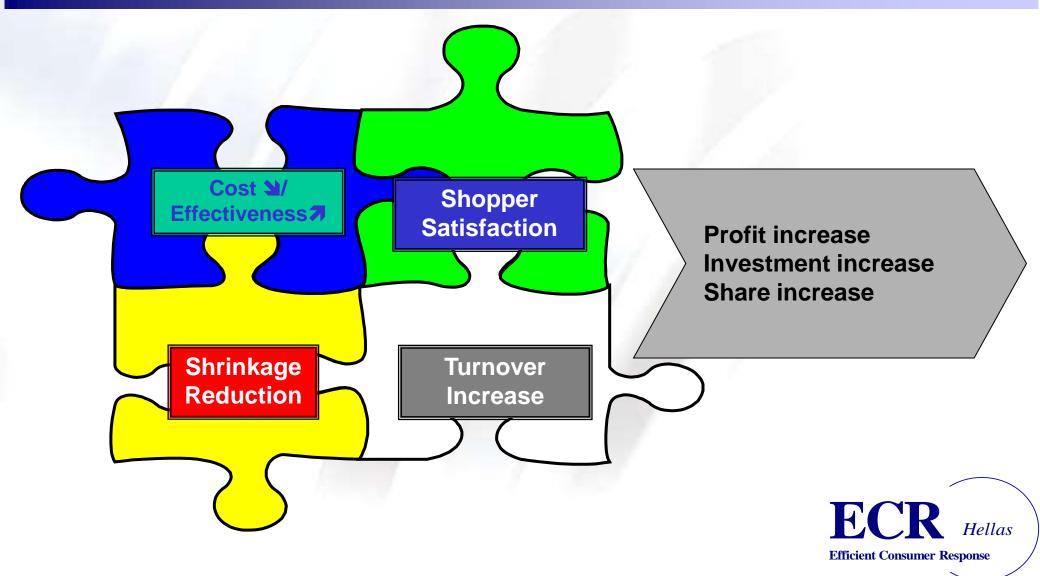
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## Winning In Challenging Times

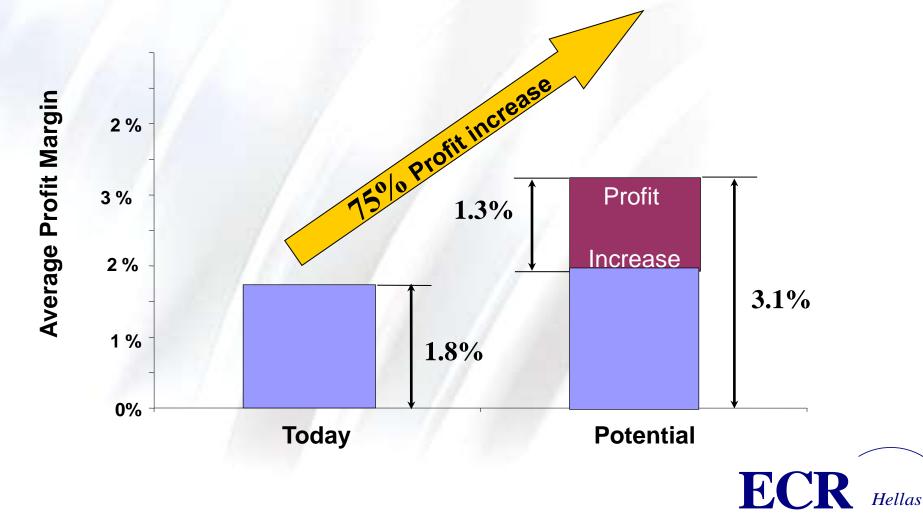
# Panic?

# Shrinkage reduction is a part of a bigger opportunity...



## **Size of opportunity - Greece**

Minimizing internal & external theft



**Efficient Consumer Response** 

## Investment Opportunity...

#### **180** million € annual savings

- ⊙ Avg 10% running cost reduction\*
- New stores' investment (72)
- More personnel better shopper service (+40%)\*\*
- Annual salary increase (+40%)\*\*
- More offers inflation reduction -1.8%

\* Total S/M Running costs 2007, 1.9 million € (avg retailer example)

\*\* Estimations based on top retailer data



## **Turnover increase opportunity...**



#### Impulse purchase

Allow and help shopper on what product to choose...

#### **Availability**

Shelf out of stock reduction to assure loyalty and shopper trust...





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## **Typical Approach**

- Ignore the issue, it is not a priority
- Delegate responsibility
- Temporary, "crisis" solutions
- "Passion" over technologies





## **New Approach - ECR Hellas**

#### Map the issue

- Based on years' ECR and studies' knowledge
- We identify real root causes
- Acknowledge value of the project
- ☑ Principles of effective Shrinkage Management
  - Cooperate and succeed together (Suppliers/ Retailers/ ECR)
  - The "Hot Concept"
  - 10 practical steps to success



## **New Approach - ECR Hellas**

#### "Shrinkage" is minimized only with combined effort!

## Important factor: Alignment and guidance of leadership



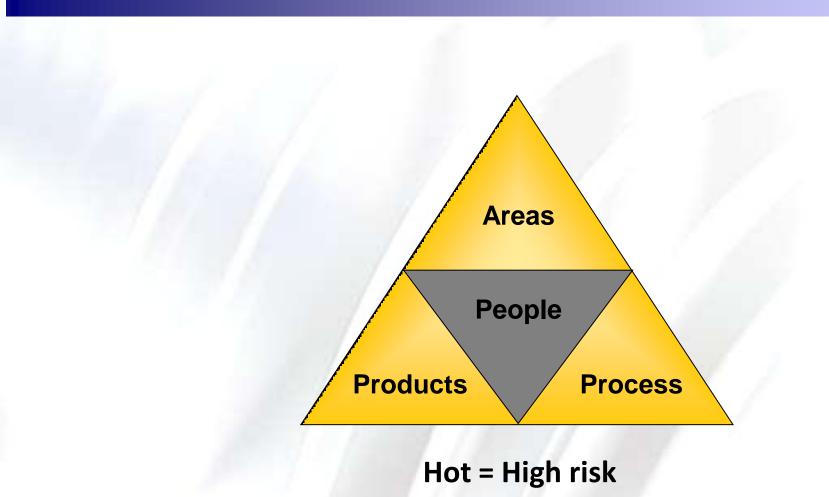
## **Multi-functional team**

- Sales, Marketing & Buying
- Store manager
- Logistics & Distribution
- Security manager

• Internal control



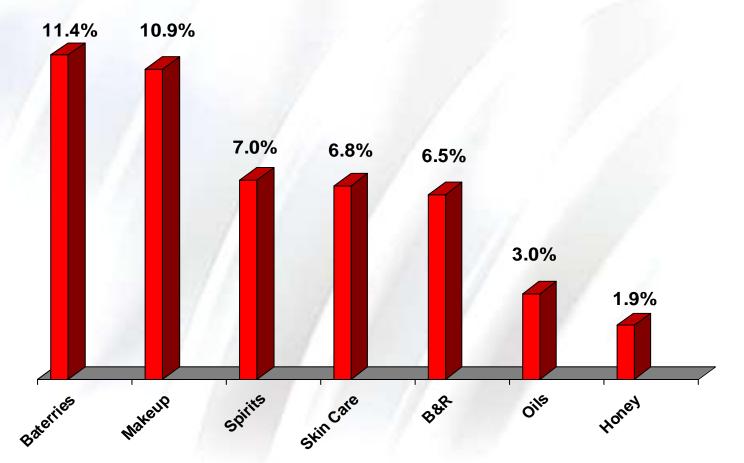
## The "Hot Concept"





## "Hot" Categories

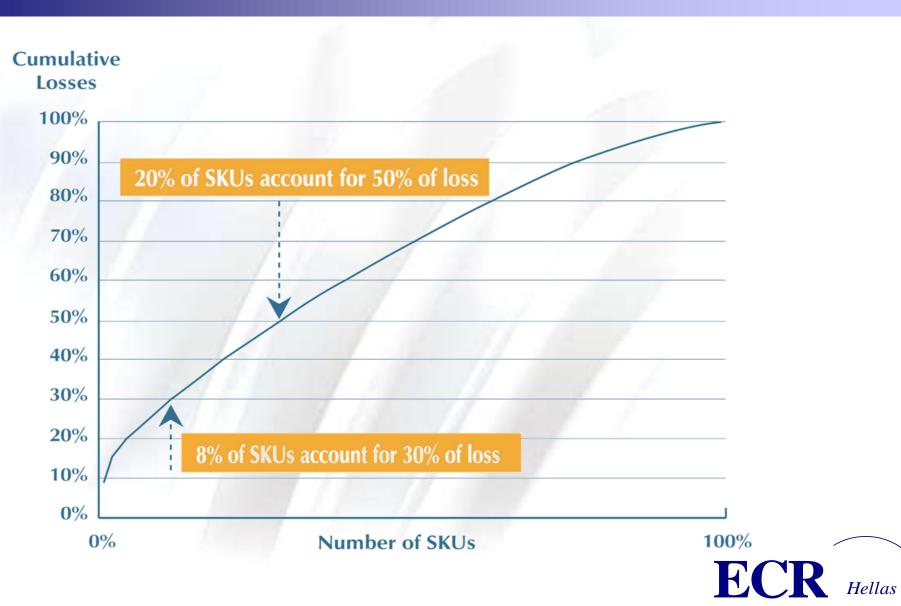




ECR Hellas Data. Maximum shrinkage % per category (2008)



## **"Hot"** Products



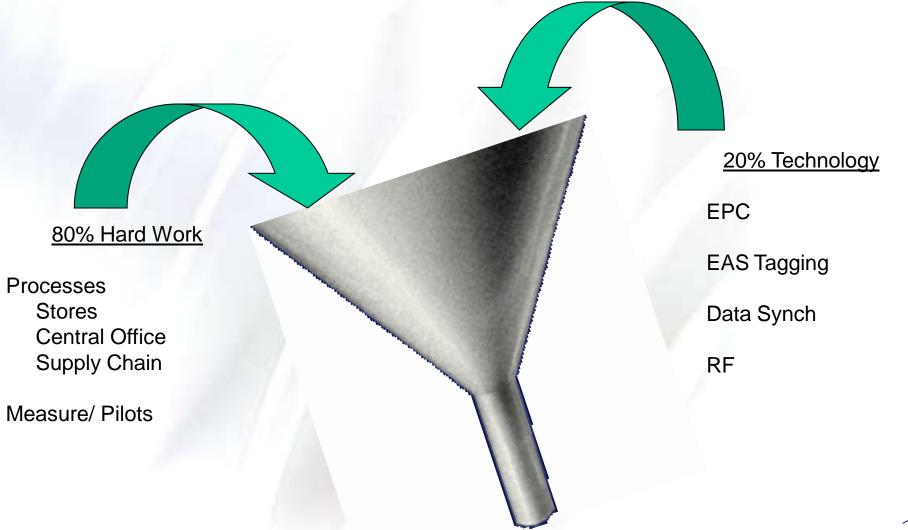
**Efficient Consumer Response** 

## **10** Steps to Solution

<u>Actions</u>	<u>Results/ Targets</u>		
Shrinkage Champion	Create responsibility/ ownership/ priority		
Secure Deliveries	Split hot products based (high risk)		
Check Deliveries	Resolve differences / update system		
Secured backroom	Hot products locked in specialized area		
In store placement	Hot categories' increased visibility		
Secure products	Evaluate technologies (RF, RFID, Safer Cases, tags)		
Optimum replenishment	No OOS. Optimum stock in store		
Regular stock-count	Continuous focus on hot categories		
Enhance personnel awareness	Include personnel in whole process. Target Store Managers		
Analyze	Scorecard. Continuous improvement of processes		



## **Don't expect technology**



#### **Increase Sales & Profit**



## **Other Countries' Results**

Organisations	Location	Results
Tesco	UK	\$195 million annual savings
Tesco & P&G	Hungary	- 74% losses + 288% sales
B&Q & Plasplugs	UK	- 50% losses + 33% sales
Feira Nova & Danone	Portugal	- 45% total shrink
Ahold & sausage suppliers	Poland	- 42% losses
Sainsbury's Spirits category	UK	- 40% losses + 10% sales
Sonae & Colgate Palmolive	Portugal	- 29% losses
Sainsbury's & Menzies	UK	- 25% losses + 10% sales



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## **Teams – Pilot Tests**

Category	Retailer		Supplier	
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			Χρήστος Μωράκος	
Make up	Στέφανος Ξενουδάκης	Βασιλόπουλος και του πουλιού το γάλα!	Λεωνίδας Καραδήμας	L'ORÉAL PARIS
Blades& Razors	Γιώργος Καββαδίας	Carrefour ()	Αλέξανδρος Βαξεβανέλ	λης <b>Ρ&amp;G</b>



## **Teams – Pilot Tests**

Category	Retailer		Supplier	
Skin Care	Ανδρέας Τσόγγος		Γιώργος Παπαδόπουλος	BDF •••• Beiersdorf Hellas A.E.
Batteries	Φίλιππος Σαλίμπας	Dia 🗷	Φώτης Μικές Ειρήνη Γούστη	Energizer Ελλάς ΑΕ Energizer Wilkinson MAWAIIAIP Fronce Provide Contraction C
Oil	Γιώργος Πολυζώης	Ο Ο Ο Ο Ο Ο Ο Ο Ο Ο Ο Ο Ο Ο Ο Ο Ο Ο Ο	Ανέστης Δεστούνης	Unilever



## **Skin Care**

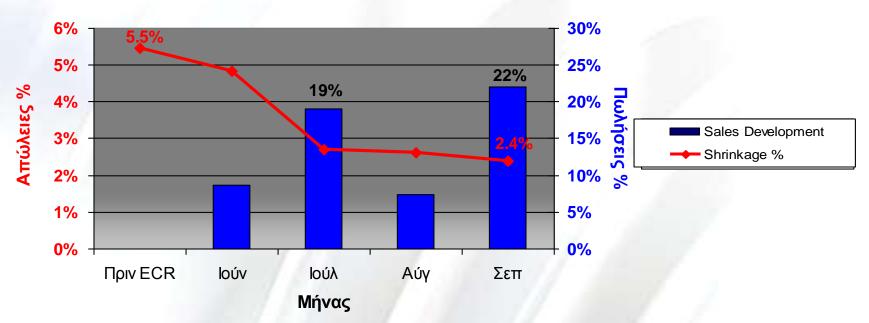


- Duration May Sep 2008
- 3 Pilot Stores
- 15 "Hot" Skus
- 10 ECR Steps
  - Anti-shrinkage champion (Store Mgr)
  - Secure deliveries & Backroom
  - RF Stickers (& Antennas). Cameras
  - Train personnel. Increase awareness



## **Skin Care**





- Sales: Increase +22%, due to focus & minimizing OOS
- Shrinkage: Reduction by 55%. In one of the stores reduction by 75%



## **Batteries**

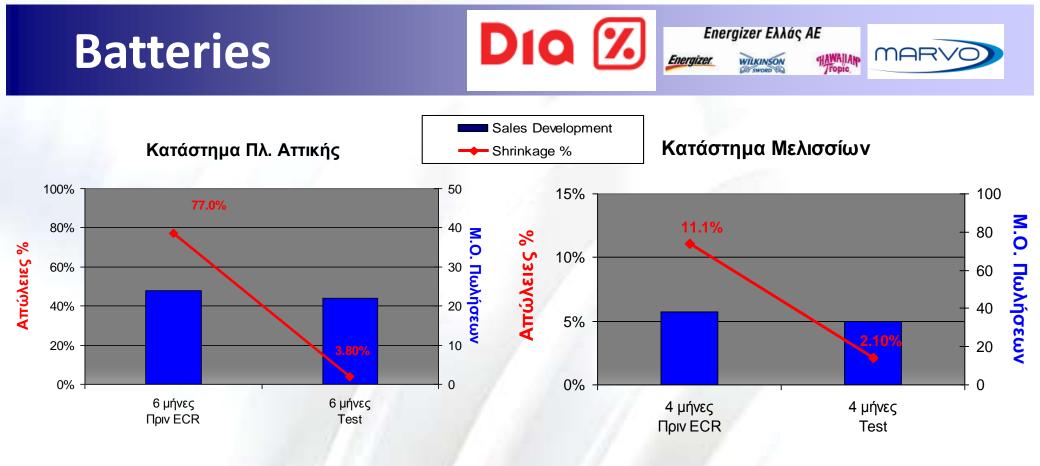






- Duration April Dec 2008
- 2 Pilot stores
- 2 Control Stores
- 4 "Hot" skus
- 10 ECR Steps
  - Anti-shrinkage champion (store manager)
  - Secure deliveries
  - Locked back room
  - Anti-shrinkage hook





- Sales: Sales were not affected (were already open)
- **Shrinkage:** Important reduction by **80-90%** while in control stores (with no process improvements Control) we faced increase
- Anti-shrinkage hook destroyed during first weeks









- Duration September December 2008
- 2 pilot stores
- 9 ECR Steps
  - Anti-shrinkage Champion (Store Mgr)
  - RF soft tags (& Antennas)
  - Cameras and Security
  - Locked area in backroom
  - Personnel training and awareness









- Processes update increased focus by personnel
- Important shrinkage decrease by 65%
- Even further decrease after test to 0.8%
- Retailer after test decided to invest on a security manager



## **Spirits**





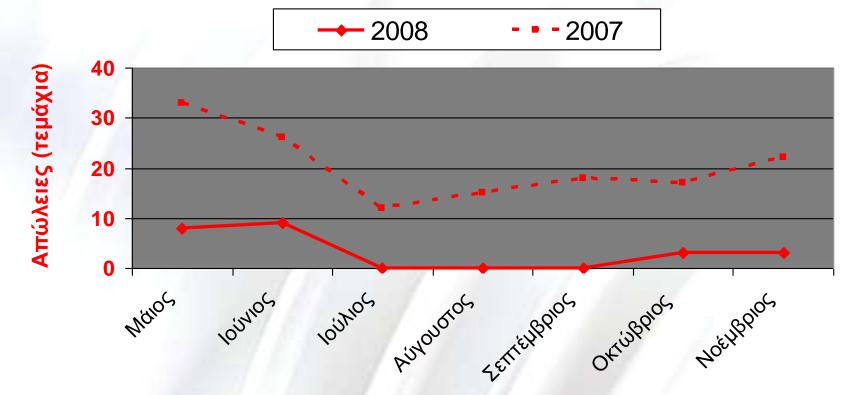
- Duration May October 2008
- 2 Pilot Stores
- Focus on premium skus
- 8 ECR steps
  - Anti-shrinkage champion
  - Anti-theft bottle caps. Cameras
  - Locked area in backroom
  - Personnel training







**BACARDI HELLAS** 



Shrinkage: Very important average reduction by 85% in the 2 stores lacksquareduring pilot test



## Make up





- 1 pilot store
- 10 "Hot" skus
- 10 ECR steps
  - Anti-shrinkage champion
  - Secure deliveries and locked area for monitored products
  - Regular replenishment
  - Anti-theft hooks
  - Personnel training



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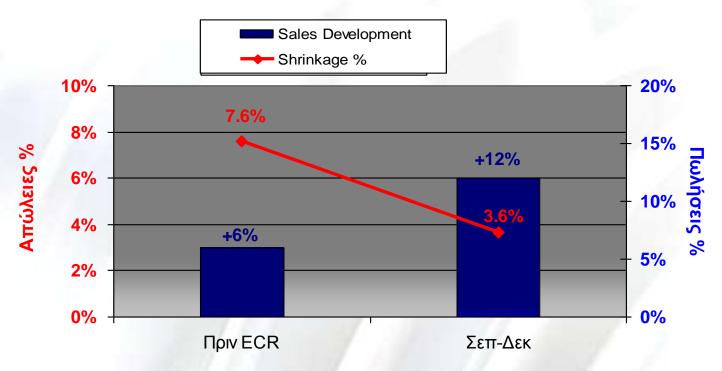






Make up





- **Sales:** Important increase of sales by **+50%**, due to the focus and effective replenishment (minimize OOS)
- Shrinkage: Reduction by 55%



## **Blades & Razors**



- Duration June November 2008
- 1 Pilot Store
- Open sales for all products
- 7 "Hot" skus
- 10 ECR Steps
  - Anti-shrinkage champion (Store Manager)
  - Anti-theft Safer Cases with RF technology (& Antennas)
  - Locked area in back-room (after 3<sup>rd</sup> week of test)
  - 2 ways of measurements & evaluation
  - Personnel training. Increase awareness



## **Blades & Razors**







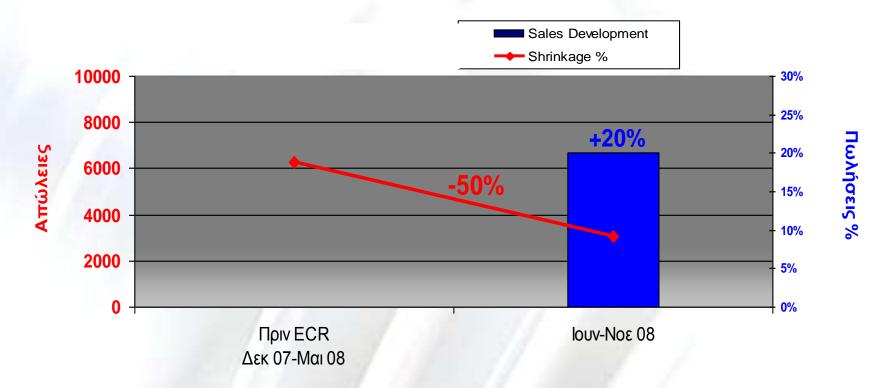


## **Blades & Razors**

Carrefour () P&C

Hellas

**Efficient Consumer Response** 



- Sales: Important increase by +20%, due to open sales in all category products (systems & disposables)
- Shrinkage: Important reduction by 50% with key step implementation of locked backroom (for hot skus) after 3<sup>rd</sup> week

## Shrinkage next day...

#### ✓ Category value increase

- Shrink reduction is one of the main opportunities for retailers (net profit 1.3-1.8%)
- ✓ We reduce shrinkage by reducing the opportunity across the supply chain. We work as a multi-functional team
- We evaluate internal processes and we focus on main factors of shrinkage
- ✓ We increase personnel awareness and ownership with continuous focus and trainings



