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To keep up with a changing business environment, new technology and demanding consumers, more and more food and drink manufacturers are acknowledging that automation must play a significant role in their factories to improve efficiency and reduce costs.

As such, the need for connectivity of equipment on the factory floor has never been more prominent – in order for equipment and applications to work together with minimal human intervention, they need to be able to communicate, share data and report back on performance and quality.

Figures suggest that since the start of the 21st century, there has been a three-fold increase in the use of automation and robots in the global food sector.

[\[Source: New Food Magazine\]](#)

However, one area where food and drink manufacturers face increasing difficulty when automating their factories is the packaging hall since the average packaging operation is full of what we call **stranded assets**; equipment using proprietary software which is difficult to communicate with and integrate into a wider automation framework where standards are more commonplace.

Are you suffering from the frustration of stranded assets within your organisation? In this guide, we'll show you how you can automate the packaging hall and unify your stranded assets, without sacrificing flexibility and scalability at line equipment level.

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