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## Commodity cha strengthening o agro-food secto competitiveness

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force of processing and distribution stages in the agribusiness chain. In the vertical, farm value share in the final price has decreased. Increased competition makes agribusinesses look for possibilities to strengthen their competitiveness, which is increasingly determined by the ability to create successful partnerships with other actors in the chain. Verticals, i.e. vertical integration, eventually co-ordination, enforcement, study, potential benefits and forms of vertical interconnection are reviewed with respect to specific and production characteristics in different food chains. The problem is that in the example of the commodity bakery and pasta production in the Republic. At the end of the paper, arguments for the interconnection of particular stages of this vertical chain are derived, especially between bakeries.

### **Keywords:**

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