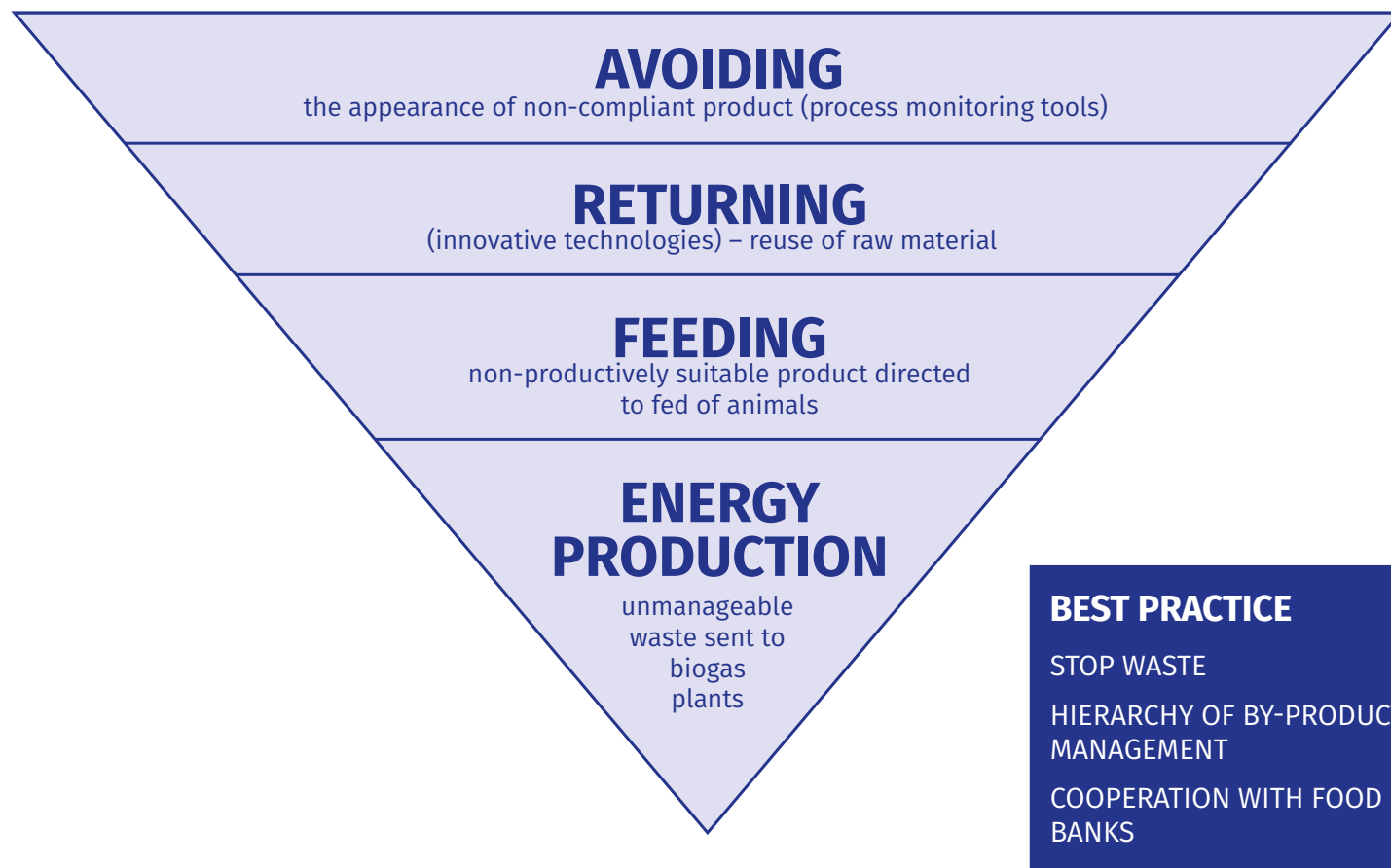


3.1.4. HOCHLAND SAYS STOP FOOD WASTE

Hochland counteracts food waste **by implementing quality and product safety standards and optimizing and automating production processes**, based on by-products hierarchy:

Hochland Polska is constantly working to reduce the amount of waste generated at its production plants in order to reduce its environmental impact and consumption of raw materials. Waste prevention also applies to finished products. Ensuring optimal use of raw materials, utilities, as well as tailored stocks of finished goods is a key task of the Planning Department.



Key activities implemented in 2024 in order to prevent food waste generation:

1. Introduction of a procedure following sensory assessment.
2. **Optimisation of software and expansion of root causes for animal-derived side product formation** (hereinafter: uppz) with new items in order to provide even better uppz generation prevention management.
3. Cooperation with Food Banks, **104 tonnes of donations were made in 2024.**