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Various sugar related articles

The Executive Director would like to draw your attention to the articles below all of which are relevant to the sugar sector.

FoodNavigator.com

Decarbonising food and drink: What are the 'easy wins' for small brands?



Whether on a journey to net zero or carbon neutrality, environmentally conscious brands are working to reduce emissions across Scope 1, 2, and 3. Three UK-based brands – Pip & Nut, Minor Figures, and Shed 1 Distillery – reveal the 'easy wins' that have helped them reduce their carbon footprints.

<https://www.foodnavigator.com/article/2022/05/10/decarbonising-food-and-drink-what-are-the-easy-wins-for-small-brands>

Kerry discusses African expansion: 'Sustainability is locally focused around food and nutrition security'



Taste and nutrition company Kerry officially opened what it bills as 'the largest and most advanced' taste manufacturing facility on the African continent this week. FoodNavigator hears from Paul Hewitt, Vice President of Sub Saharan Africa, to learn more about Kerry's plans in the region.

<https://www.foodnavigator.com/article/2022/05/10/kerry-discusses-african-expansion-sustainability-is-locally-focused-around-food-and-nutrition-security>

Sugaronline – Ebriefing

BRAZIL: Raízen will produce biogas in all its units in 10 years

Raízen, a joint venture between Cosan and Shell, is preparing to produce biogas from sugarcane residue in all its production units in 10 years, according to EPBR.

The company expects to produce a total of 3 million m³ of biogas from sugarcane vinasse and filter cake. The biogas projects will be implemented by Raízen Geo Biogás, Raízen's joint venture with Geo Biogás & Tech. The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Raízen Geo BioGás, Raphaella Gomes, said the company's strategy is to produce biomethane to replace fossil fuels in industries and vehicles.

UKRAINE: Government lifts ban on sugar exports

Ukraine had decided to lift a ban on sugar and millet exports imposed on March 5, according to Open4 Business. Sugar and millet are now included in the list of goods subject to licensing for exports, according to a governmental decree dated May 7.

The export ban on sugar and other goods including corn, oats, buckwheat, millet and salt fit for human consumption became effective on March 6, following the start of the Ukraine-Russian conflict.

ESWATINI: USDA sees sugar output at 630,000 T in 2022/23

Eswatini, formerly Swaziland, should increase sugar production by 2% in 2022/23 to 630,000 metric tonnes, according to the US Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) post in Pretoria, reports Sugaronline.

Sugarcane production is expected to rise by 2% to 5.3 million tonnes, based on good rainfall, increased available irrigation water, normal weather conditions, expanded planted area and consistent cane yields.

Eswatini's sugarcane planted area is forecast to increase by 5% to 62,000 hectares (ha) in 2022/23. Domestic consumption of sugar is expected to increase by 1% to 72,000 tonnes, up from 71,000 tonnes in 2021/22, due to population growth and continued demand for home consumption. Eswatini's sugar exports are estimated to rise by 4% to 545,000 tonnes in 2022/23.

ZIMBABWE: Sugar production should rise 2% in 2022/23 – USDA

Sugar production in Zimbabwe is estimated to rise 2% in the 2022/23 marketing year to 418,000 metric tonnes, according to the US Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) post in Pretoria, **reports Sugaroline.**

The rise in sugar production is supported by a 4% increase in sugarcane output to 3.7 million tonnes which will depend on normal weather conditions, availability of sufficient irrigation water and an increase in the planted area.

"This increase is expected to be partially offset by lower sugarcane yields because farmers were unable to apply optimal amounts of fertilizer and chemicals due to increasing input costs," the FAS Post in Pretoria said in its Sugar Annual report released on May 9.

Zimbabwe's 2022/23 sugar consumption is expected to remain flat at 280,000 tonnes, amid a decline in consumers' disposable incomes due to hyperinflation in the economy.

The USDA post in Pretoria also expects Zimbabwe to fully utilize its allocation of 12,636 tonnes for the US sugar tariff-rate quota in both the 2021/22 and 2022/23 years.

FoodNavigator.com**Consumers struggle with grocery shortages and rising price of goods, report finds**

While many consumers report struggling with product shortages and delays in online orders along with mounting concerns over inflation, demand for groceries “tends to be relatively inelastic,” according to Morning Consult, which has just surveyed 1,000 shoppers.

<https://www.foodnavigator-usa.com/article/2022/05/10/consumers-struggle-with-grocery-shortages-and-rising-price-of-goods-report-finds>

PepsiCo sees oat genome unlocking gains for nutrition and sustainability: 'The mighty oat can play a big role in nutrition'

PepsiCo is working alongside academia and other partners to develop our understanding of the oat genome for use in open-source applications. The company believes this can unlock gains in the fields of health and sustainability.

<https://www.foodnavigator.com/article/2022/05/11/pepsico-sees-oat-genome-unlocking-gains-for-nutrition-and-sustainability-the-mighty-oat-can-play-a-big-role-in-nutrition>

EU initiative aims to drive digital innovation to cut the energy costs for food SMEs

A project aims to slash the energy costs of small and medium-sized food companies in the EU.

<https://www.foodnavigator.com/article/2022/05/11/eu-initiative-aims-to-drive-digital-innovation-to-cut-the-energy-costs-for-food-smes>

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Brazil sugarcane crushing beats estimates in late April - Reuters - Brazil's center-south sugarcane crushing beat market estimates in the second half of April as the 2022/23 season gathers pace with more mills operating, industry group Unica said on Tuesday. Crushing totaled 23.82 million tonnes in late April, down 19.7% from a year earlier but above expectations as analysts surveyed by financial information provider S&P Global Platts had expected it to total

21.26 million tonnes. Sugar output reached 934,000 tonnes in the period, a 38.7% fall year on year, while ethanol production was down 15.8% to 1.09 billion liters, according to Unica, whose ethanol data also includes fuel made from corn. Both also topped analysts estimates, which stood at 769,400 tonnes for sugar and 1.071 billion liters for ethanol, according to S&P Global Platts. The results came as more mills started operating in the period, Unica said, noting that 180 plants had operated by end-April, up from 85 in the first 15 days of the month. The figure was still lower than the 207 mills operational at the same time last year, and an additional 57 plants are expected to start their crushing in the first half of May, the association added in a statement.

Dreyfus sees larger Brazil shift to ethanol, warns of sugar shortage – Reuters - Global commodities trader Louis Dreyfus projected on Wednesday that Brazilian mills will divert a larger-than-expected amount of sugarcane to ethanol production due to high energy prices, causing a reduction in global sugar supplies. Dreyfus sugar director Enrico Biancheri said during the Citi ISO Datagro sugar conference in New York that Brazil's center-south (CS) mills would produce only 29 million tonnes of sugar in the new season that started in April, a view that would be in the low end of analysts' estimates so far. "At current prices the world is heading to a shortage of sugar, due to a ethanol-oriented crop in Brazil," Biancheri said, adding that sugar prices will need to rise to a premium over ethanol prices to cause an increase in sugar production. Brazil mills have certain flexibility to change cane allocation to sugar or ethanol, depending on market prices. Due to high energy prices, there was an expectation in the sugar market that mills would shift some cane to ethanol, but Dreyfus sees that shift as more drastic.
