

## **International Sugar Organization**

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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.

Chinese cane area grows, beet loses to corn – USDA - China should produce 10.6 million mt of sugar in 2021/22, almost unchanged from 10.5 million mt in 2020/21 as a higher cane area will offset beet area lost to corn, the USDA forecast. The cane area in Guangxi should be 250,000mu (17,000ha) higher on year to reach 11.4 million mu (760,000ha), according to local media. Demand should recover from 15.5 million mt to 15.8 million mt with imports rising from 4.9 million mt to 5 million mt, the USDA said.

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#### Mondelez emerges from pandemic 'stronger than ever', says CEO

Mondelēz International is continuing to see healthy demand for its core snacking brands, proving that industry-wide sales spikes for packaged, shelf-stable products were more than just a COVID-inspired blip, said chairman and CEO Dirk Van De Put.

https://www.foodnavigator-usa.com/article/2021/04/28/mondelez-emerges-from-pandemic-stronger-than-ever-says-ceo

# Immunity, relaxation, energy and focus: Trending botanicals in food and beverage, from ashwagandha to ginseng

Once confined to dietary supplements and herbal teas, botanicals from ashwagandha to ginseng are springing up in a growing number of ready-to-drink beverages and snacks as brands seek to imbue their wares with functionality and an air of sophistication. FoodNavigator-USA caught up with three leading suppliers to find out which plant extracts are trending and why.

https://www.foodnavigator-usa.com/article/2021/04/28/immunity-relaxation-energy-and-focus-trending-botanicals-in-food-and-beverage-from-ashwagandha-to-american-ginseng

#### Time to shift from 'food security' to 'nutrition security,' say policy experts

Policy experts are calling for a shift from 'food security' to 'nutrition security,' to reflect a growing emphasis in food quality that in recent years has prioritised quantity as a solution to address hunger.

 $\underline{\text{https://www.foodnavigator.com/article/2021/04/27/time-to-shift-from-food-security-to-nutrition-security}\\$ 

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# **`Ensuring fairness, equality and transparency': Ireland launches consultation on food ombudsman**

Ireland has opened a public consultation on the primary legislation needed to establish a new Office of a National Food Ombudsman or Regulator. "I am fully committed to ensuring fairness, equity and transparency," the country's Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine said.

https://www.foodnavigator.com/article/2021/04/27/ireland-launches-consultation-on-food-ombudsman

# 'Regenerative farming practices can help restore the earth': PepsiCo discusses its Positive Agriculture Programme

By 2030, PepsiCo wants to have spread regenerative farming practices to 7m acres of cultivated land, the equivalent of its entire agricultural footprint. FoodNavigator hears from David Wilkinson, Senior Director of European Agriculture for PepsiCo Europe, to learn more.

https://www.foodnavigator.com/article/2021/04/26/regenerative-farming-practices-can-help-restore-the-earth-pepsico-discusses-its-positive-agriculture-programme

### **Sugaronline – Ebriefing**

#### **ZIMBABWE:** Government and sugar stakeholders discuss concerns

A Government minister has met sugar industry stakeholders to address concerns over the viability of the sugar sector and the division of proceeds, according to ZBC News.

Lands, Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Rural Resettlement Minister Dr Anxious Masuka met sugarcane outgrowers, milling groups and the sugar company, Tongaat Hullet, in Chiredzi on April 23.

"We were looking at issues to do with bankability of leases, establishment of milling companies, railage and the overall viability of the industry. The burning issue was on division of proceeds issue and generally all parties agreed to engage an independent, trusted, neutral consultant who will be able to look into the cost structure and recommend appropriately," Masuka said.

#### CHINA: Sugar consumption expected to reach 16.44 MT in 2030

Sugar consumption in China is expected to reach 16.44 million metric tonnes in 2030, said a report compiled under a program of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs, according to Xinhua.

Sugar imports are expected to grow at an average annual rate of 5.8% during the 2021-2030 period, reaching 5.52 million tonnes in 2030.

Sugar output should reach 11.35 million tonnes by 2030, due to a rise in the planting area and productivity. The annual sugar consumption growth rate is estimated at an average of 0.9% in 2021-2030.