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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

How should Europe manage the fertiliser crisis? 'The market is overly dependent on one single country: Russia'



Europe must diversify its raw material sourcing for fertiliser production, suggest industry experts. How else can regulators and businesses help mitigate the impacts of war on the sector?

https://www.foodnavigator.com/article/2022/06/22/fertilizer-crisis-can-europe-reduce-its-dependence-on-russia

EU moves to cut pesticide use with legally binding targets, but are they strict enough?



Legally binding targets at EU and national level to reduce by 50% the use and the risk of chemical pesticides by 2030 have been proposed by the European Commission.

https://www.foodnavigator.com/article/2022/06/22/eu-moves-to-cut-pesticide-use-with-legally-binding-targets-but-are-they-strict-enough

From surging energy prices to stockpiling: How is food retail most affected by the Ukraine conflict?



The effects of the Ukraine-Russia war are being felt across the entire food industry in Europe, including in the retail sector. From the surging costs of refrigeration to managing shortages onshelf, how is food retail most impacted by the conflict?

https://www.foodnavigator.com/article/2022/06/17/how-is-the-ukraine-russia-conflict-impacting-the-food-retail-sector

Diet disconnect? US adults overestimate quality of their diet, research says



US adults struggle and often overestimate the quality of their diet, according to recent research from the USDA's Agricultural Research Service.

https://www.foodnavigator-usa.com/article/2022/06/21/diet-disconnect-us-adults-overestimate-quality-of-their-diet-study-finds

Kellogg breaks out snack business to create 3 companies, earning investor accolades



The Kellogg Company's unexpected announcement Tuesday to split its snack and cereal empire into three independent, public companies "to better position each business to unlock its full potential" tears a page from Kraft Foods' playbook ten years ago when it spun out its faster-growing snack brands under Mondelēz International.

https://www.foodnavigator-usa.com/article/2022/06/21/kellogg-breaks-out-snack-business-to-create-3-companies-earning-investor-accolades

General Mills holds firm in face of recession threat: 'It's not really a time to pull back'



While some industry players are reining in spending to build-up reserves in case of a recession, General Mills is taking the opposite tack – choosing to double down on investments and explore acquisitions that could help it stay ahead of the competition and emerge stronger from the pandemic.

https://www.foodnavigator-usa.com/article/2022/06/21/general-mills-holds-firm-in-face-of-recession-threat-it-s-not-really-a-time-to-pull-back

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BRAZIL: Embrapa applies blockchain tracking system for muscovado sugar

Brazil's state-run agricultural research company Embrapa has applied its tracking system using blockchain to muscovado sugar, according to Agência Estado.

Embrapa's team worked for three years on the development of the Brazilian Agricultural Traceability System (Sibraar). The technology was customized for muscovado sugar & validated in the Granelli mill, located in Charqueada, São Paulo state.

Consumers will be able to verify information about the origin of the sugar and its manufacturing process through a QR Code stamped on the package. Sales of the muscovado sugar in supermarkets will start in July.

KAZAKHSTAN: Eurasian Economic Commission extends quota for duty-free imports

Kazakhstan's quotas for duty-free imports of white sugar and raw sugar were extended at an extraordinary meeting of the Council of the Eurasian Economic Commission (EEC), according to Interfax.

The duty-free import quotas were extended until Oct. 31 from Aug. 31 this year. Kazakhstan's quotas total 350,000 metric tonnes. The country has been negotiating to increase its quotas for duty-free imports of white and raw sugar.

Kazakhstan imported 506,900 metric tonnes of sugar in 2021.

SOUTH AFRICA: Mauritius-based company meets takeover authority about Tongaat

Mauritius-based company Magister Investments will appear before the Takeover Regulation Committee this week to learn the fate of its rights offer deal with Tongaat Hulett, according to News 24.

Magister has committed to underwriting about ZAR2 billion (US\$125.6 million) of Tongaat's ZAR5 billion (US\$313.9 million) rights issue.

According to law, a company buying more than 35% of another should make an offer to all shareholders to buy them out.

Tongaat shareholders voted in January to waive their right to the mandatory buy-out offer, but the TRP nullified the waiver after it found that close associates of Magister had been buying Tongaat shares to help sway the vote.
