

**COOPERATION BETWEEN FAMI-QS AND BRAZILIAN SINDICATO NACIONAL DA  
INDÚSTRIA DE ALIMENTAÇÃO ANIMAL (SINDIRAÇÕES) NOW STRENGTHENED**

**Sao Paulo -- March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012** --- Mr. Didier Jans, Secretary General of FAMI-QS Asbl and Mr. Ariovaldo Zani, Vice President of Sindirações, have recently signed an amendment to strengthen their cooperation.

Through this amendment, Sindirações and FAMI-QS agreed on the following:

- Sindirações will be the contact office for FAMI-QS in Latin America;
- FAMI-QS will recognize Brazilian operators certified under Sindirações Level 2 domestic program as an assured source for the ingredients which are not covered by the FAMI-QS scope;
- Sindirações will deliver Module 2 of the FAMI-QS “*Awareness in the Feed Safety*” training program under the same conditions that prevailed for Module 1, Module 2 has already taken place March 12<sup>th</sup> in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

The scope of the “*FAMI-QS: Awareness in Feed Safety*” program is to provide participants with necessary information about the FAMI-QS certification process, the FAMI-QS code requirements as well as interpretation of the code and EU legislation on feed safety and feed. Thereby, FAMI-QS contributes to spreading best hygiene practices in the industry for special ingredients worldwide. Training is provided on a voluntary basis.

An increasing number of people and Brazilian companies are concerned about feed quality and safety. More and more feed and feed additive products from Brazil are being developed and quickly exported. Local operators are therefore highly expected to improve their safety level.

The close cooperation between FAMI-QS Asbl and Sindirações aim to lead to better support for the domestic feed and feed additive operators as well as boost the quality and safety management in the Brazilian feed industry.



The “*FAMI-QS: Awareness in Feed Safety*” training program not only runs in Brazil. It has recently been run in China where our partner carried out several training sessions to meet the local companies’ demand. These sessions were highly appreciated by players and leaders of the Brazilian feed industry. As operators show strong interest in FAMI-QS program, they draw great benefits from the training and get insight into quality and safety management.

Based on the technical field experience of privileged partners, FAMI-QS will go on with a training framework set to guarantee the consistency of information delivered in different countries. This action helps standardize the production process and increase product quality control and safety system internationally.

#### **About FAMI-QS**

FAMI-QS Asbl is the management and co-ordination center for the FAMI-QS code of practice. It is the only certifiable code specifically aimed at specialty feed ingredients and their mixtures for animal nutrition. The code addresses safety, quality and regulatory compliance in order to minimize the risk that unsafe specialty feed ingredients enter the food and feed chain. It offers independent certification for all operators placing these products on the market. Based on partnership with international certification bodies and third countries institutional partners, it includes more than 600 certified sites spread across more than 45 countries. The current FAMI-QS President is Dr. Dieter Greissing of *Evonik Industries AG*.

Sindirações and FAMI-QS have a Strategic Agreement for Cooperation. Sindirações is responsible for the collection of FAMI-QS applications in Latin America as well as the support to the companies that have interest in the system. Sindirações was the first organization to be granted as an Approved Training Organization by FAMI-QS.

Pictures of event are available on request.

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