



Ingrizo and Cima join forces to enhance sustainable ingredient solutions

Belgium, July 10, 2024 – Ingrizo, a leading B2B supplier specializing in natural and sustainable ingredients and nutrients for food products and health applications, is excited to announce its strategic partnership with Cima, a company renowned for its expertise in the handling, production, and marketing of ingredients for the European pet food and food industry. Both companies are joining forces in the holding company, IFHS, which stands for 'Innovative Food and Health Solutions'.

Ingrizo, founded in 2005 by Geert Feys and later joined by Trees Cluyse, has a rich history of providing premium innovative ingredients and nutrients to the food and health sectors. With a strong commitment to sustainability, the company focuses on sourcing natural and sustainable materials. Their extensive knowledge and experience in this segment position them as a key player in the industry. In 2022, Ingrizo welcomed Korys, the family office of the Colruyt family, as an investor to support the further growth of the Ingrizo group. Today, an important milestone in that growth trajectory has been achieved with the acquisition of Cima.

Founded in 1997 by Ernst Buyse, later joined by Thomas Backers, Cima has established itself as a trusted partner in the pet food industry. Its core values emphasize product knowledge, technological support, market leadership and exceptional service reliability. Cima's unique approach adds value to the ingredients they handle, ensuring that consumers receive the best possible products.

By combining their strengths under the umbrella of IFHS Ingrizo and Cima will improve access to better ingredients while promoting sustainability. The collaboration leverages the strengths of both companies' professional teams as their combined knowledge will drive innovation and ensure high-quality offerings. Together, they will explore innovative solutions and expand their market presence in their respective food, health and pet food markets.

The investment of the former owners of Cima in IFHS serves as a powerful testament to their unwavering commitment. By participating in IFHS, they demonstrate their belief in the synergies and the promising future of the group. This commitment extends not only to the teams and suppliers, but also to the valued customers.

Geert Feys, co-shareholder and CEO of IFHS (holding): *"Ingrizo is delighted to welcome Cima. This partnership will fuel our further growth, enabling both companies to meet the evolving needs of consumers and contribute to a more sustainable planet with ingredients of natural origin. We are excited about the possibilities ahead."*

Thomas Backers, co-shareholder and CEO of Cima: *"We are very happy to enter into this collaboration with Ingrizo and Korys, as this enables us to focus even better on the customers' needs for high-quality products delivered with the most flexible service the same time, while benefiting from the professional organisation and network of our new partners."*

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