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## IMCD to Acquire Willows Ingredients to Strengthen Food & Nutrition Offering

IMCD N.V. has signed an agreement to acquire 100% of Willows Ingredients Group Limited, strengthening its presence in the food, health, sports, and animal nutrition sectors across Ireland and the UK. Willows Ingredients reported approximately EUR 26 million in revenue in 2024. The transaction is expected to close in Q1 2026, subject to customary conditions.

*Source: IMCD Group*

### Univar Expands Portfolio with Exclusive Glycolic Acid Agreement in EMEA

The U.S. FDA announced a review of the safety status of butylated hydroxyanisole (BHA), a common synthetic antioxidant used in products including cosmetics and pharmaceuticals. Regulatory scrutiny on chemicals used in food and consumer products can lead to formulation changes and supply-chain impacts for distributors handling additives and ingredient chemicals.

*Source: Univar Solutions*

### Solvay Optimizes Soda Ash Capacity to Enhance Competitiveness

Solvay will reduce soda ash production capacity at its Torrelavega, Spain site from 600 kt to 420 kt effective Q3 2026, in response to global oversupply and high energy and carbon costs in Europe. Sodium bicarbonate operations remain unaffected. The move aims to strengthen long-term competitiveness while supporting Solvay's energy transition and sustainability commitments.

*Source: Solvay*

### European Biochemicals Projects Stall Amid Funding and Policy Uncertainty

Several European bio-based chemicals projects are facing delays or cancellations as developers grapple with high capital costs, policy uncertainty, and weak demand visibility. Despite EU decarbonization ambitions, financing remains constrained and feedstock economics challenging.

*Source: Argus Media*

### Escalating U.S.–Iran Conflict Raises Maritime Supply Chain Risks

Rising tensions involving the U.S. and Iran are increasing security risks for commercial shipping **in the Persian Gulf and surrounding** routes. Industry experts warn of potential vessel disruptions, higher insurance premiums, and rerouting via longer trade lanes if conflict escalates.

*Source: Supply Chain Brain*

## Using AI and Network Intelligence to Manage Geopolitical Disruption

The article highlights how real-time network intelligence combined with AI can help companies anticipate and respond to geopolitical disruptions more effectively. Enhanced data sharing across supply chain partners improves forecasting accuracy and enables faster contingency planning.

*Source: Supply Chain Brain*

## Nutrien Sees Higher Potash Demand Despite Farmer Margin Pressure

Nutrien anticipates higher global potash demand in 2026, driven by large 2025 crop yields, reduced U.S. fall applications, and potash's cost advantage over other fertilizers. While farmer profitability remains pressured, particularly in Brazil, replenishment needs are expected to support North American sales.

*Source: Reuters*



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