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IMCD to accelerate food & beverage growth in Iberia with strategic acquisition of Ferrer Alimentación

IMCD N.V. has signed an agreement to acquire 100% of Ferrer Alimentación, a leading Iberian distributor of food and beverage ingredients with annual revenues of €112 million. The acquisition strengthens IMCD's footprint in the Iberian market, enhancing its portfolio and customer base across key food sectors. The deal is expected to close in June 2025.

Source: IMCD Group

Benelux Next in Line as Univar, Ingredion Deepen Global Ingredients Collaboration

Univar Solutions has expanded its long-standing partnership with Ingredion to distribute functional food and beverage ingredients in the Benelux region starting October 1, 2025. The collaboration aims to meet growing consumer demand for healthier, sustainable products by offering plant-based proteins, clean label starches, and stevia-based sweeteners across 20 EMEA countries.

Source: Prnewswire

2025 ICIS Rankings Highlight Strength of Distributors Amid Global Trade Volatility

ICIS has released its 16th annual Top 100 Chemical Distributors list, with Brenntag leading the 2025 rankings at \$16.8 billion in sales, followed by Tricon Energy, Univar Solutions, Nagase & Co, and IMCD. Amid global tariff uncertainty, distributors are proving vital by ensuring supply security and cost optimization for customers and suppliers.

Source: Prnewswire

Brenntag to Distribute ExxonMobil White Oils in New EMEA Markets

Brenntag and ExxonMobil have renewed and expanded their decades-long distribution agreement for White Oils, now covering Iberia, the Netherlands, and Israel in addition to DACH, CEE, and the Baltics. The collaboration ensures reliable, GMP-compliant supply of ExxonMobil's Marcol™ and Primol™ White Oils across EMEA for diverse applications in pharma, personal care, agriculture, and industry.

BASF Invites Bids for Coatings Unit Valued at €6 Billion

BASF is exploring the sale of its coatings business, valued at around €6 billion (\$6.81 billion), and has invited bids from major players including Carlyle Group, Sherwin-Williams, CVC Capital, and several private equity firms. The move is part of BASF's strategy to make its business units more autonomous and boost profitability.

Source: Corporate.brenntag

Source: Reuters

Europe's First E-Methanol Plant Signals Shift Toward Greener Chemicals

Europe has launched the world's first commercial e-methanol plant in Denmark, showcasing green hydrogen and CO₂ reuse. While the chemical sector faces steep decarbonization hurdles, growing demand and regulations are pushing it toward cleaner, more sustainable solutions.

Source: Reuters

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