

Univar Solutions Focuses on Accelerating Growth for Customers with "Destination: Innovation" Online Hub

Virtual event to be held on June 22 to highlight how the company helps bring technical solutions to life through its global network of Solution Centers

DOWNERS GROVE, Ill., May 24, 2022 /PRNewswire/ -- Univar Solutions Inc. (NYSE: UNVR) ("Univar Solutions" or "the Company"), a leading global commodity and specialty chemical and ingredient distributor and provider of value-added specialty services, launched "Destination: Innovation," an online hub highlighting the people, technology and ingredient innovation found in its network of global Solution Centers made up of technical laboratories and food kitchens that support product development, testing and advancement across industries and geographies. From ingredient and specialty chemical innovations to recipe testing and sustainable product development, brands of all sizes are increasingly looking to Univar Solutions for help with research and development, problem solving and technical innovation.

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The "Innovation Day" virtual event will be held on June 22 to showcase a complete suite of capabilities through a daylong program of on-demand industry, application and specialty ingredient formulation conversations from each of the Company's flagship Solution Center locations. Customers and suppliers will have the opportunity to interact directly with the scientists, chefs and technical teams that work every day on their behalf to bring innovation to the forefront of product development and advancement.

"Whether it's complex analytical testing, developing commercial-ready formulations and recipes from scratch or finding new answers to sustainability concerns, we're telling the story of the technical expertise and innovation coming together at our Solution Centers across North America, Latin America, Europe and Asia Pacific," said Dr. Andrew Mint, director of global solution centers at Univar Solutions. "Our dedicated team of scientists, chemists, chefs and technical specialists partner with customers and suppliers to develop tangible solutions to real world problems. *By meeting customers and suppliers where they are at across key regions and in the markets in which they operate, we are balancing speed and progress with collaboration and innovation to help make next-generation solutions possible.*"

Featuring customer success stories, technical expert profiles and highlighting capabilities at the Company's facilities, "Destination: Innovation" online hub provides a behind-the-scenes look at the work that happens every day at Univar Solutions. By leveraging what each Solution Center does in one region or industry and applying it to another, Univar Solutions seeks to help customers and suppliers save time, streamline efforts and formulate next-generation products. Through a hub-and-spoke model, each Solution Center is connected to the other, offering an impressive level of collaboration, innovation and customer and supplier support.

With global Solution Center flagship locations in Houston, Mexico City, Shanghai, São Paulo, Chicago, Paris and Essen, Univar Solutions offers unparalleled specialty ingredient and market trend support. This dialogue allows for global knowledge-sharing and learning cross-functionally throughout the organization and its many industries, including Beauty & Personal Care, Food Ingredients, Homecare & Industrial Cleaning, Coatings, Adhesives, Sealants & Elastomers and Rubber & Plastic Additives, Lubricants & Metalworking Fluids, Pharmaceutical Ingredients and Nutraceutical Ingredients.

"At Univar Solutions, we offer specialized laboratory and kitchen technical expertise to help customers solve their current challenges and develop new formulations they can commercialize," says Nick Powell, senior vice president, president of ingredients and specialties – Europe, Middle East and Africa and Asia Pacific, at Univar Solutions. "Our chemists, scientists and technical specialists span the markets we serve, helping to develop solutions through collaboration with our customers and suppliers. We look forward to presenting to attendees who are curious about how we work at the intersection of science and technology to innovate and bring specialty ingredients to market, ultimately helping keep our communities healthy, fed, clean and safe."

Explore "[Destination: Innovation](#)" and register for "Innovation Day" at <https://www.univarsolutions.com/innovation-day> or by following Univar Solutions on [LinkedIn](#).

About Univar Solutions

Univar Solutions (NYSE: UNVR) is a leading global commodity and specialty chemical and ingredient distributor representing a premier portfolio from the world's leading producers. With the industry's largest private transportation fleet and technical sales force, unparalleled logistics know-how, deep market and regulatory knowledge, formulation and recipe development, and leading digital tools, the Company is well-positioned to offer tailored solutions and value-added services to a wide range of markets, industries, and applications. While fulfilling its purpose to help keep communities healthy, fed, clean and safe, Univar Solutions is committed to helping customers and suppliers innovate and focus on Growing Together. Learn more at [univarsolutions.com](https://www.univarsolutions.com).



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