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Louis Dreyfus Company appoints new Head of Food Innovation & Downstream Strategy

ROTTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS, 17 December 2018 – Louis Dreyfus Company B.V. (LDC) announced today the appointment of Kristen Eshak Weldon as Head of Food Innovation and Downstream Strategy, effective January 1st 2019 and reporting to Chief Executive Officer, Ian McIntosh. Ms. Weldon joins as a member of LDC’s Executive Group.

Kristen E. Weldon joins LDC from Blackstone, where she spent 13 years in positions of increasing responsibility, most recently as Senior Managing Director (Partner) and Co-Head of the London office for Hedge Fund Solutions. Ms. Weldon was Head of the Commodity Strategy and was involved in portfolio management as well as hedge fund manager evaluation, selection and monitoring. Prior to Blackstone, she worked in commodity and interest rate derivatives at JPMorgan for several years, in London and New York. She also served as Founding Board Member of 100 Women in Finance London Ltd. between 2007 and 2017. In addition to pursuing a Sloan Fellowship Master’s degree in Leadership and Strategy at London Business School, Ms. Weldon holds a degree in Finance and International Business from Georgetown University (US), UK and US securities regulatory FCA qualifications, and received several awards over the years recognizing leading women in finance.

“I’m very pleased to welcome Kristen to LDC, as the most recent member of our Executive Group,” said Mr. McIntosh. “She brings a wealth of experience in global asset management and as a strategic advisor, and I am confident that her appointment will contribute to LDC’s successful implementation of our strategic plans and projects to innovate in food and move further downstream, as we strive to meet global demand for food and sustain a growing population.”

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About Louis Dreyfus Company

Louis Dreyfus Company is a leading merchant and processor of agricultural goods. We leverage our global reach and extensive asset network to serve our customers around the world, delivering the right products to the right location, at the right time – safely, responsibly and reliably. Our activities span the entire value chain from farm to fork, across a broad range of business lines (platforms). Since 1851 our portfolio has grown to include Oilseeds, Grains, Freight, Global Markets, Coffee, Cotton, Sugar, Rice, Dairy and Juice. We help feed and clothe some 500 million people every year by originating, processing and transporting approximately 81 million tons of products. Structured as a matrix organization of 6 geographical regions and 10 platforms, Louis Dreyfus Company is active in over 100 countries and employs approximately 17 000 people globally. For more information, visit www.ldc.com and follow us on [Twitter](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

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