## International ag-tech companies come to Saskatoon, hosted by Global Agri-Food Advancement Partnership

Saskatoon, SK: This summer, the Global Agri-Food Advancement Partnership (GAAP) is hosting agtechnology companies from Italy, Slovakia, Brazil, United Kingdom and Sweden, to take part in its Navigate program.

Navigate is organized by GAAP and supported by <u>Ag-West Bio</u>. The program seeks out cuttingedge technologies from around the world that align with Canadian agriculture.

Starting July 10<sup>th</sup>, the companies will be spending time with GAAP – and the extended GAAP family across Canada and the US – to explore how growers can achieve a greater level of efficiency, sustainability, and profitability through innovation adoption.

GAAP is ecstatic to have these five innovative companies join us for the summer (please see company names and descriptions below).

Jay Robinson, GAAP CEO, says "These recent additions to the GAAP family demonstrates our international reach. These companies have already achieved great things in their home jurisdictions, having demonstrated the impact their solutions can have on the farm at scale. Bringing them to Canada is a win for them and for our local farmers."

Participants will have the opportunity to engage with industry members, researchers, farmers, and collaborators. While here, they will be provided concierge meetings and guided tours of local agriculture facilities and farms, along with exploring how they can fit into Canada's agriculture ecosystem.

**Join us at Ag in Motion** in the <u>FCC / FAC</u> tent at booth AG30, to meet with the companies or attend *Sprouting Success: Ag Innovation in Canada and Around the World*, an afternoon networking event on July 18th co-hosted by <u>Ag-West Bio</u> and <u>Affinity Credit</u> **Union** and supported by GAAP. Our guest MC is Shaun Haney of RealAgriculture.

## About the companies:

<u>Biocentis</u> leverages CRISPR-based, pest control technologies that are biological, environmentally friendly, and tailored for a wide range of applications. Biocentis aims to reimagine the future of biocontrol. <u>Federico Guelpa</u> will be joining us from Italy.

**Dyneval** technology provides an easy-to-use, automated and portable instrument for livestock semen analysis. <u>Tiffany Wood</u> will be joining us from the United Kingdom.

<u>Irriot</u> has developed an IoT wireless irrigation solution to address the issues of mobility and affordability for customers, including environmentally friendly, maintenance, free solar

powered watering stations and an industrial irrigation controlled through mobile apps. Alexander Palin will be joining us from Sweden.

<u>Tarvos</u> uses automatic traps and artificial intelligence to monitor and identify agricultural pests in real time, increasing environmental and economic sustainability by tailoring chemical and biological inputs for individual crops. <u>Andrei Grespan</u> will be joining us from Brazil.

<u>Vitiport</u> uses marking pheromones as a safe and affordable approach to pest management. <u>Martina Drobna</u> and <u>Roman Korbacka</u> will be joining us from Slovakia.

If you are interested in meeting with any of these companies, please reach out to us at info@gaapvc.com.

## **About GAAP**

GAAP is a privately run and operated agri-food investment incubator looking for cutting-edge technologies from early and rapid-growth companies seeking to improve efficiency, sustainability and profitability within the global agriculture and food sector. <a href="https://www.gaapvc.com">www.gaapvc.com</a>

## **About Ag-West Bio**

Ag-West Bio is Saskatchewan's bioscience industry association. The company works as a catalyst for industry growth in the bioeconomy through investments, aiding strategic alliances, and providing business planning support, regulatory advice, and communications. Funding for Ag-West Bio is provided by the Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture and Agriculture and Agriculture Canada's Canadian Agricultural Partnership (CAP) program. <a href="https://www.agwest.sk.ca">www.agwest.sk.ca</a>