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DOMINIQUE AMILIEN, APPOINTED CEO OF VILMORIN-MIKADO

After serving as Deputy CEO of Vilmorin-Mikado for almost two years, Dominique Amilien succeeds Rodolphe Millet and takes over as CEO of the Franco-Japanese seed company. He began his new role on May 11, 2020 with the objective of strengthening the company's new identity.



A full embodiment of Vilmorin-Mikado's new identity

Four years after the operational merger between Vilmorin (French seed company) and Mikado Kyowa Seed (Japanese seed company), a new rollout phase is budding at Vilmorin-Mikado. Present since the beginning of the merger project, Dominique Amilien has contributed significantly to implementing the company's new governance system. It is a tailor-made governance by delegation system, which enables true intercontinental and multicultural collaboration by placing at the center employees and collective intelligence.

Accompanied by Takako Sakai, Deputy CEO of Vilmorin-Mikado in Asia, Dominique Amilien today aspires to fully embody Vilmorin-Mikado's new identity by developing a strong and mobilizing Franco-Japanese corporate culture.

Over 30 years of experience in the international agricultural sector

Dominique Amilien started at Limagrain in 1987, occupying commercial, managerial and then executive positions, in France and Italy. After heading the International Business and Marketing department at Vilmorin Jardin, he joined the Vilmorin-Mikado team in 2011 as Director of Global Sales, moving on to become Deputy CEO in 2018.

"The unprecedented coronavirus situation shows the importance of the work done by the entire agricultural sector, actively contributing to securing the food of tomorrow," Mr. Amilien stated. "This is a shared, essential mission that gives meaning to what we do every day. I'm especially proud of the Vilmorin-Mikado teams who mobilized to keep our business going and serve our customers during this difficult period."

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About Vilmorin-Mikado

Vilmorin-Mikado is a Franco-Japanese seed producer that has specialized in developing, producing and selling vegetable seeds for professionals since 1743. Our wide range of unique, original seeds is distributed on five continents in more than 100 countries. Vilmorin-Mikado has more than 1,000 employees and recorded sales of €210 million in 2018-2019, of which 16% was entirely devoted to research. World leader in carrots and witloof chicory, Vilmorin-Mikado is also a major player in salads, tomatoes, peppers, kabocha squashes, daikon radishes and bunching onions. Nearly three centuries ago, Vilmorin-Mikado's founders began our Tree Seeds work, which actively contributes to rebuilding sustainable forests. www.vilmorinmikado.com

Vilmorin-Mikado is part of **Limagrain**, an agricultural cooperative held by French farmers and an international seed group. Limagrain is laser-focused on a single mission: working cooperatively to advance agriculture everywhere, for everyone. Concentrating on the genetic progress of plants, Limagrain selects, produces and sells field seeds, vegetable seeds and cereal products. www.limagrain.com - #Limagrain

