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OSI Food Solutions Spain Holds Sustainability Workshops for Suppliers

Results include improvements in animal welfare and farming practices, along with increased collaboration

Layos, Toledo, Spain, April 2009 - OSI Food Solutions believes that supplier engagement is key to driving the behavioral changes that will result in positive environmental impact throughout the supply chain network. The objective is to enhance environmental awareness and accountability amongst individual suppliers - encouraging them to minimize their impact through site activities and live animal supply for the greater benefit of all within the business.

In 2006, OSI Food Solutions Spain created a technical meeting for beef and chicken suppliers under the banner, 'Food Safety, Quality and Animal Welfare: A Journey.' The popularity of the initial meeting led to a series of workshops, the latest of which was held in Layos, Toledo in April 2009. Over 30 people attended the technical education and training program which focused on sustainability and animal welfare.

Among the guest speakers (all widely acknowledged as European experts in animal Welfare), was Dr. Clemente Mata Tapia, the General Sub Director of Differentiated Quality and Ecological Agriculture at the Spanish Ministry of Agriculture. Dr. Tapia gave the keynote address, which included a series of interesting insights on the present and future of 'Differentiated Quality Food, Farming and Ecological Agriculture.'

The OSI Food Solutions Spain 'Journey' series of workshops has resulted in strong collaboration among the beef and chicken suppliers with significant improvements in continuous sustainability, particularly in the areas of animal welfare and best farming practices.



About OSI

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