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## **DE SANGOSSE (Agen, France) acquires a majority stake in the Spanish company SERVALESA (Valencia)**

**SERVALESA** is a key player in the fields of Plant Nutrition, Biostimulants and Biocontrol. For over thirty years SERVALESA has developed and successfully commercialized a range of specialty products based upon innovative technologies in Spain and in several other countries. These products are mainly aimed at the arboriculture, viticulture and vegetable markets and provide solutions recognized for their efficiency.

Thanks to this transaction DE SANGOSSE, already a reference player in the fields of Crop Protection and Plant Nutrition, is accelerating the deployment of its strategic plan. Biocontrol products and Biostimulants offer a strong growth potential as they provide farmers with effective technical solutions while complying with the environmental demands of the civil society.

*“The strong synergies between SERVALESA and DE SANGOSSE, particularly evident in the R&D, industrial tools, marketing and commercial areas, will allow a significant increase in our group’s innovation capacity and strengthen our presence in the key agricultural areas of the world. The agreement attests to our commitment to bring Nutrition and Plant Protection solutions to the market in the service of an Eco Intensive Agriculture”* states **Nicolas Fillon, CEO of the DE SANGOSSE Group.**

SERVALESA will avail itself of DE SANGOSSE Group’s additional resources, thus pursuing and improving the development of new products.

DE SANGOSSE’s international presence will bolster the placing of SERVALESA’s portfolio products on the world market.

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On behalf of SERVALESA, **Jose Helenio Juanes Peris, CEO**, has declared that *“The signing of this strategic agreement with the DE SANGOSSE Group represents excellent news for the development of several projects, in the making for several years already. SERVALESA has enjoyed a rapid and stable growth all along. Now, technical development, registrations and commercialization of its portfolio products will be accelerated thanks to the integration into the DE SANGOSSE Group”*.


José Helenio Juanes and Luis Juanes will stay on as Directors. Frédéric Moreau, formerly Director of DE SANGOSSE Iberica, will integrate the Management Team in Valencia. The DE SANGOSSE's branch DE SANGOSSE Iberica will be integrated into the new operational unit in Valencia, 60 members strong.

## ABOUT DE SANGOSSE

DE SANGOSSE (Agen, France) is an international company that conceives, produces and commercializes products aimed at the markets of Crop Protection, Plant Nutrition, Pest Control and Seed.

The Group's mission consists in providing its customers with innovative technical solutions in its strategic activity domains. The product range is regularly expanded and enriched with innovation, thanks to substantial R&D investments. The Group promotes an approach towards an agriculture which is both productive and respectful of the environment. The Group's turnover is 350 M€ and the number of employees worldwide is 800. The majority of DE SANGOSSE's capital belongs to its employees, a major factor in assuring its independence and allowing a long-term entrepreneurial vision.

## ABOUT SERVALESA

 **servalesa** is an innovative company whose mission is to propose original products contributing to the production of healthier crops to the agricultural markets. Its investments in R&D allowed the company to become a key player in the domain, always paying attention to the environmental factors. SERVALESA's products performance and service level are recognized by customers, which has allowed the company to consolidate its international expansion. The industrial unit is located in Sagunto on the Valencia harbor, ideally positioned for access to raw materials as well as for distribution to the international markets. SERVALESA owes its success to its technologically advanced products, capable of reinforcing nature's power. 45 experienced and passionate employees endeavor daily for the success of the company managed by José Helenio Juanes and Luis Juanes.

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