

## TAKING CARE OF THE SOIL, THE FOCUS OF THE AAPRESID CONGRESS AND ALSO THE SUSTAINABLE USE OF FERTILIZERS

**Bahía Blanca, August 18, 2021** - With a focus on increasingly sustainable production processes, a new edition of the AAPRESID Congress, the most important annual meeting of Argentine agriculture, is being held. With this same objective, Profertil is once again present at the event, focusing on the importance and good practices of fertilization, in which the company is a national leader.

The motto of this year's congress, "Always alive, always diverse", focuses on the importance of having productive systems with multiple crops, which ensure a sustainable agricultural rotation, but also on the inclusion of cover crops, which keep the soil permanently covered, protecting water and biodiversity.

Profertil, Argentina's leading crop nutrition company, also aims to take care of the soil, since fertilization is a central process to achieve it. But also, to be able to sequester carbon to help combat climate change.

For this reason, within the framework of the AAPRESID Congress, the company held a technical workshop in which the renowned specialist Miguel Taboada gave a lecture entitled "Nitrogen fertilization, an ally to improve the carbon balance".

There, an evaluation of the carbon footprint generated by the application of different nitrogen sources, conducted during 12 years of trials by Profertil's maize network, was presented.

Taboada explained how the use of stabilized nitrogen sources allows reducing the emission of greenhouse gases (GHG), constituting an excellent strategy to mitigate climate change.

"From the company we are aware of the importance of reducing GHGs and for that reason we work in different areas that help mitigate this impact, aligned with the sustainable development objectives set by the UN," said Mirta Toribio, head of Research and Development at Profertil.

In this line, the use of stabilized fertilizers, such as eNeTotal Plus, allows a 30% reduction in net greenhouse gas emissions.

"In that line, in AAPRESID we also take the opportunity to insist on the importance of promoting efficient nutrient management, using what we call Best Management Practices (BMP), which have four basic pillars: source, dose, form and correct time of application," Toribio added.

Beyond these concepts and the products developed by the company along these lines, Profertil, as an industrial company, is also committed to these objectives in its production processes.

In fact, since last year more than 60% of the energy consumed at its Bahía Blanca plant comes from renewable sources, such as the Los Teros wind farm, located near Azul, in the province of Buenos Aires.

With concrete actions, Argentina's leading fertilizer company continues to move towards an increasingly sustainable form of production, promoting and providing tools so that the rest of the players in Argentine agriculture follow the same path, because production systems must be, as AAPRESID says, "always alive and always green".

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### About Profertil

*It is a company devoted to the production of the fertilizers needed to optimize crop yields in a sustainable manner. Integrated in equal parts by YPF and Nutrien Inc, it has been operating its production plant in the port of Ingeniero White for 20 years. There, it produces 1,320,000 tons of granulated urea annually, the main nitrogen fertilizer for the soil. In addition, it sells other fertilizers and prepares tailor-made mixtures to provide each territory and crop with the nutrition required. It has administrative offices in Buenos Aires, logistic terminals in Necochea, San Nicolás and Puerto General San Martín (Santa Fe). It has 345 direct employees, 1,500 indirect employees and more than 850 active suppliers.*

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