

WORLD EARTH DAY

BETTER AGRICULTURE IS KEY TO TAKING CARE OF THE PLANET

Bahía Blanca, April 22 - April 22 is International Earth Day, established by the United Nations to raise awareness of the need to care for the health of the planet and its inhabitants. To this end, it is essential to work for an increasingly productive and sustainable agriculture.

"From Profertil, as the main Argentine fertilizer manufacturer, we are convinced that we have a central role in the task of taking care of our planet, since our products contribute to a more efficient agricultural production, which takes care of a strategic resource such as the soil and, at the same time, reduces the impact on the environment", stated Federico Veller, general manager of the company.

This new Earth Day is the second to be celebrated as part of the UN Decade of Ecosystem Restoration. What is that? The United Nations itself explains that "the health of our ecosystems directly depends on the health of our planet and its inhabitants" and that caring for them "will help end poverty and combat climate change."

In this regard, Veller said that "Argentina has made a great contribution to the protection of ecosystems with no-till farming, which avoids soil removal during agricultural production. This protects flora and fauna, while boosting productive efficiency and greatly reducing greenhouse gas emissions".

In this context, there are crops that play a fundamental role in achieving an increasingly sustainable agriculture, such as wheat and maize, the two crops that have grown the most in Argentina in recent years and for which the urea produced by Profertil is essential.

The UN states that "international days give us the opportunity to raise awareness among the general public on issues of great interest, among which is sustainable development. At the same time, they are intended to draw the attention of the media and governments to unresolved problems".

In this path of sustainable development and care for the planet, nurturing soils in the right way is fundamental. In Argentina, the use of fertilizers to replenish soils with the nutrients extracted during the production of different grains has yet to grow.

An international panel of experts emphasized this a few days ago in the so-called "Buenos Aires Declaration on the nutrient gap in Argentina", which was presented at the Buenos Aires Grain Exchange. There, renowned scientists from Argentina and the United States explained the enormous potential of local agriculture to grow in terms of production volumes and sustainability if a greater amount of fertilizers is used on different crops.

"Nourishing soils in a smart way is fundamental to take care of our planet. Of course, it is not the only one. But we, at Profertil, make an important contribution in that sense. It is a task to which we must all commit ourselves and which, on this Earth Day, is worth keeping in mind," concluded Veller.

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 21 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 and logistic terminals in Bahía Blanca, Necochea, San Nicolás and Puerto General San Martín (Santa Fe). It has 362 direct employees, 1,500 indirect employees and more than 850 active suppliers.

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