

# **Press release**

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# Brenntag Food & Nutrition signs agreement with Fazer Mills Finland for the Nordic region

Brenntag Food & Nutrition has signed an agreement about the distribution of the high-quality oat products and added-value solutions of Fazer Mills Finland for the Nordic region as of February 1, 2021. Fazer Mills Finland is part of the Fazer Group, The Food Experience Company, which focuses on fast-moving consumer goods and aims to grow in Northern Europe and beyond. Innovations are at the core of Fazer's ambitious growth strategy and Fazer wants to offer sustainable solutions to support the well-being of consumers. Fazer Mills focuses on developing and manufacturing high quality milling ingredients and solutions made of wheat, rye and oats. The agreement between Brenntag Food & Nutrition and Fazer Mills Finland covers the high-quality oat products including special ingredients such as oat beta glucan, oat protein as well as bread improvers and classic oat products.

"We are very much looking forward to working together with Fazer Mills Finland in bringing their innovative solutions to the markets in the Nordic region. Oats are a natural superfood with several positive health effects and have a great future in the market. Fazer Mills is offering a wide range of ingredients and solutions that we like to make available to our current and potential new customers," says Mia Mahkonen, Business Manager Nordic, Brenntag Food & Nutrition.

"With its experience, expertise and network Brenntag Food & Nutrition is our ideal distribution partner to bring our innovative products to the markets across the Nordics. We are looking forward to sharing our know-how in product development and solutions of our oat portfolio with the team of Brenntag Food & Nutrition," says Jarkko Arrajoki, Managing Director of Fazer Mills Finland.

Fazer Mills Finland has operated its state-of-the-art oat mill in Lahti since 2013. They process high quality Finnish oats to produce innovative products and solutions such as Fazer Aurora product line including oat beta glucan, oat protein and oat oil.

The demand of oats is growing globally. Most recently, Fazer Mills Finland has invested in Nordic oats by doubling its oat milling capacity by the end of 2021. This will secure the availability of healthy and sustainable oat ingredients to customers of Brenntag Food & Nutrition in the Nordic region.

### **About Brenntag Food & Nutrition:**

Brenntag Food & Nutrition, part of the Brenntag Group, is a leading provider of food ingredients to the marketplaces around the globe. We built a reputation of partnering with the best suppliers of ingredients and additives and deliver right to our customers' needs and requirements. With more than 900 dedicated employees, a presence in 77 countries and 30 application and development centers, Brenntag Food & Nutrition provides technical expertise, tailor-made formulation and application solutions, a broad portfolio of specialty and commodity ingredients and profound industry know-how in



the segments meat, poultry & fish processing, bakery & bread, dairy & ice cream, beverages, chocolate & confectionary, convenience food and fruit & vegetable processing. Brenntag Food & Nutrition makes its business partners "Sense the difference".

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#### **About Fazer Mills Finland:**

Fazer Mills Finland is a milling company belonging to Fazer Group (group net sales 1,1 billion euros 2020). We have one of the biggest oat mills in Europe, with exports to more than 30 countries. Our product range includes oats, baking mixes, bread improvers, special ingredients, flours and consumer products. We focus on providing high quality grain products from the best raw materials. Our mill was founded in 1971, and is located in Lahti, Finland. The oat mill is state-of-the-art technology from 2013-2020. We are annually audited by the American Institute of Baking (AIB) – an internationally recognized third party – with the aim of guaranteeing quality and ensuring constant development.

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