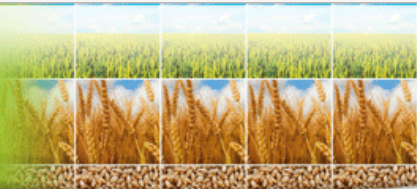


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Mr Ulo Adamson
 President
Trigon Agri A/S

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Mr Fernando Aftalion
 Partner
Grupo Agrarius

Mr. Aftalion has 20 years of experience in the financial industry with a strong specialization in agribusiness. He was part of the Commercial and Investment Banking team at Rabobank, the global lead bank in agribusiness, for the last 10 years, holding managing roles...

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Dr Gerald A. Bange
 Chairperson-World
 Agricultural Outlook Board
USDA

As Chairman of the World Agricultural Outlook Board, Gerald Bange is responsible for the monthly forecasts of the World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates (WASDE) report and also oversees the Joint Agricultural Weather Facility. Dr. Bange also serves as Program...

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Mr Jonathan Bass
 President of Latin America
Dole Food Company

President, Dole Latin America. Responsible for all Dole Food Company operations in Latin America. Primary business is the sourcing and distribution of fresh fruit and flowers with operations in Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Chile and...

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Dr Thomas Berger
 Chief Knowledge Manager
KTG Agrar

Dr. Thomas R.G. Berger was born in Munich in 1974. He studied law in Munich and Geneva and did his post-graduate judicial service training in Munich and Sydney. From 2000, he worked in Trading at an investment bank in London. Having worked for the German Bundestag...

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Mr Alexander Clug
 Chief Executive Officer and Director
The Corsair Group

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Mr Javier Delgado
 Chief Executive Officer
FOCIR

Javier Delgado has 42 experience years in the Agribusiness and 36 in Rural Finance, is since October, 2002, CEO of the Trust fund for the Capitalization and Investment of the Rural Sector in Mexico, (FOCIR), having created and triggered the concept of

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Mr Han Derksen
 Executive Director
AgDevCo

Han Derksen, Executive Director (Development) has primary responsibility for the development and implementation of AgDevCo's portfolio of farming and agribusiness investments. He is an experienced financial specialist having spent almost 31 years in the fields of...

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Mr David Everitt
 President, Agriculture and Turf Division ? North America, Asia, Australia, Sub-Saharan and South Africa, and Global Tractor and Turf Products
Deere & Company

David C. Everitt is President, Agriculture and Turf Division – North America, Asia, Australia, and Sub-Saharan and South Africa, and Global Tractor and Turf Products. Everitt is responsible for the customer-focused sales and marketing regions of...

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Mr Jason Henderson
 Vice President
Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City - Omaha Branch

Jason R. Henderson is vice president and Omaha Branch executive with the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City. He joined the Omaha Branch in August 2006 as Branch executive. In this role, he serves as the Bank's regional economist and representative in the state of...

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 Measuring the impact of the BRIC countries on global supply and demand
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Mr John Hyland
 Chief Investment Officer
United States Commodity Funds

John T. Hyland is the Chief Investment Officer for United States Commodity Funds. Prior to joining USCF, Mr. Hyland founded Towerhouse Capital Management, LLC, which provides portfolio management and new fund development expertise to non-US institutional...

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 Accessing agriculture through commodity futures



Mr Flavio S Inoue
 Partner
Sollus Capital

El Sr. Flavio Inoue es licenciado en Ingeniería Agronómica en la Universidad de São Paulo - ESALQ. Comenzó su carrera como consultor técnico para el desarrollo de negocios de McCain Foods Canada en América del Sur. En 1998, ingresó a Novartis Agrochemicals en América...

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 Private equity investment opportunities across the supply chain



Mr Amaury Junior
 Chief Investment Officer
Vision Brazil Investments

Amaury holds a PhD from MIT in Engineering and Applied Mathematics and an MSc and BSc from PUC Rio. Prior to Vision Brazil Investments, his professional experience has included: (1) Founding Partner and CIO of Capitania Asset & Risk Management; (2) Managing...

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 Capitalizing on exchanged-traded crops – investing in scale



Mr Jorge Karadima
 Chief Executive Officer
Sembrador Capital de Riesgo

With 15 years of working experience, Mr. Karadima joined Sembrador in May 2008 after 6 years working for Chiquita Costa Rica and Chile, where he held the positions of Innovation and Development Manager, Development Manager, Accounting and Financial Planning...

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 Investing in fruits and vineyards – a niche approach to farmland

Mr Ejnar Knudsen
 Portfolio Manager - Basic Materials and Agriculture
Passport Capital

Ejnar joined Passport Capital in January 2009 and Co-manages the investment management and research process for food, agriculture and commodity investments.

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 Evaluating public equity investment strategies



Previously, since 1998, Ejnar served as Portfolio Manager for Craton Capital Management which is the investment ...

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Mr Rui Laurentino
Chief Executive Officer
Quifel Natural Resources

Founder and CEO of Quifel with agricultural projects in Northern Brazil (Palm plantations), Mozambique/Angola (Soy, Sesame and Sunflower) and Sierra Leone (Rice and Cassava) with a total land bank of 100.000ha.

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Ms Mary Law
Investment Analyst
Wake Forest University

Mary Law is an Investment Analyst with multiple responsibilities relating to the performance of the University's endowment. These include tracking the returns of the endowment and conducting various portfolio analytics. In addition to her overall portfolio...

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Making the case for agri-focused allocations in your investment portfolio



Mr Dennis Melka
Chief Executive Officer
Asian Plantations

Mr Melka is an Executive Director and Co-Founder of Asian Plantations Limited (www.asianplantations.com), a publicly traded plantation company on the London Stock Exchange. Since 2006, he has co-founded and launched companies in agriculture (palm oil and...

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Mr Ryan Nichols
Partner
Excend Capital

Ryan Nichols has been the managing partner at Excend since December of 2003. Excend provides investment banking, asset management, and advisory services to clients in North and South America, Asia, and Europe. Excend specializes in assisting its clients in...

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Ms Susan Payne
Chief Executive Officer
Emergent Asset Management

Susan has worked in the emerging markets on both the sell and buy side for over 20 years. After having been called to the Bar in Canada in 1985, Susan joined JP Morgan in 1986, when she was Head of Emerging Markets Sales, Europe. In 1993, Susan joined Goldman Sachs...

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Mr Julio Piza
Chief Executive Officer
Brasil Agro

Julio Toledo Piza graduated in Agronomy Engineering from the Escola Superior de Agricultura Luiz de Queiroz (ESALQ) of the University of São Paulo and has an MBA in Administration and Finance from Columbia Business School in New York. In addition to 8 years of field...

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Mr Vitaliy Skotsyk
Chief Executive Officer
Landkom International

Vitaliy Skotsyk is the Chief Executive Officer for Landkom International.

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Mr Gary Thien
Former President
ASFRMA

Gary Thien AFM, ARA, graduated from Iowa State University in 1974 and started managing farms in western Iowa for the Council Bluffs Savings Bank. That same year

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he attended an Iowa Chapter meeting of the ASFMRA and became a member shortly thereafter. During his 20...

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Mr Perry Vieth
Chief Executive Officer
Ceres Partners

Perry Vieth, CFA: President, devotes his entire time towards managing the properties of Ceres Farms including financial, legal, accounting, hedging and investor relations. Formerly he served for ten years as CIO of Fixed Income & Currency at PanAgora Asset Management...

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Ms Shonda Warner
Chief Executive Officer
Chess Ag Full Harvest Partners

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Mr Warren Weissman
Chief - Industries and Services Division
Inter-American Development Bank

Warren Weissman heads the Industries & Services Division of the Inter-American Development Bank's Structured and Corporate Finance department. The Division is responsible for non-sovereign guaranteed lending by the IDB to extractive and productive industries...

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Financing sustainable agriculture enterprises in emerging markets



Mr Richard Wollack
Founder and Principal
Managing Director
Premier Pacific Vineyards

Dick Wollack co-founded Premier Pacific Vineyards (PPV) in 1998 and heads the 120 person firm as Managing Principal. PPV is the largest developer/manager of high-end vineyards in the U.S. with 30 properties in California (Santa Barbara, Sonoma, Mendocino, and Napa...

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