

A New Level of Service for Food Safety: Silliker and AsiaInspection Launch AsiaFoodInspection

January 13, 2012 – Hong Kong - Silliker, a Mérieux NutriSciences company, and AsiaInspection are launching AsiaFoodInspection (www.asiafoodinspection.com), a service combining Silliker's 40 years of experience in food safety and AsiaInspection's unique network of 350+ inspectors and online platform for quality control in Asia. AsiaFoodInspection offers inspections, testing and audit services in Asia for the food industry.

"Following the recent USA Food Safety Modernization Act and EU regulations, this joint venture will give our customers a unique offer in controlling their sourced products at their origin", said Phillippe Sans, President and CEO of Mérieux NutriSciences. "The AsiaFoodInspection Silliker team will be dedicated to delivering world class inspection services to the food and retail industry, bundled with testing capabilities offered by Silliker. Our labs in Shanghai, Beijing and Shenzhen directly answer our clients' needs for best in class testing services in microbiology, nutrition and contaminant capabilities".

AsiaFoodInspection will benefit from AsiaInspection's ground coverage and state-of-the-art online platform to serve quality control and safety needs. All buyers of food products importing from China and greater Asia will thus be able to book, follow, and get reports for their quality control on www.asiafoodinspection.com

"The joining of Silliker and AsiaInspection expertises will allow AsiaFoodInspection to provide an unmatched service to the food industry in terms of reactivity, service range and pricing", said Sebastien Breteau, CEO of AsiaInspection. "For instance, buyers will be able to book conveniently online samples picking in factory, and group with lab testing to get a complete testing turnaround in as little as one week".

Built on common values of integrity and excellence, the joint venture brings food clients an innovative web-based service, while leveraging the time-proven expertise in science and international network of Silliker in the food and nutrition sector.

For more information on Silliker, log on to www.silliker.com, www.asiainspection.com, and www.asiafoodinspection.com.

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About Mérieux NutriSciences Corporation:

With over 40 years of experience and part of Institut Mérieux, Mérieux NutriSciences Corporation (www.merieuxnutrisciences.com) helps advance science and solutions for food safety, quality and nutrition worldwide. Through its business units Silliker, Biofortis and Bioagri, it provides consulting, testing, auditing, education, sensory, innovation and contract research services www.merieuxnutrisciences.com

About AsiaInspection:

Founded in Hong Kong, AsiaInspection (www.asiainspection.com) is the leading online platform for performing product inspections, testing and factory audits in Asia for importers worldwide. With 60,000 controls performed in 2011, the company follows the strictest international and industry standards across all products, components, and materials.