

Announcing winner of US\$ 100,000 FFA Award 2023 & Winner of Award for Fastest growing Agrifood Biotech Startup in China

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/EINPresswire.com/ -- Announcing the winners of the US\$ 100,000 Future
Food Asia 2023 Award and the Winner of the Award for the Fastest growing
Agrifood Biotech Startup in China

- Xsights Digital Pty Ltd (Australia) won the US\$ 100,000 Future Food Asia Award.
- Tidetron won the Award for the Fastest growing Agrifood Biotech Startup in China
- Koralo (Germany) won the Gateway to Asia Award



Xsights awarded the USD100,000 Future Food Asia Award 2023

The Future Food Asia (FFA) conference was hosted at Carlton Hotel, Singapore on 16th and 17th May 2023. Dr Ismahane Elouafi, Chief Scientist at the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) delivered the Keynote as the Guest of Honour. In attendance were executives from leading corporations, emerging entrepreneurs, key investors, sector experts and many other agrifood industry stakeholders.

Xsights Digital Pty Ltd (Xsights) from Australia rewarded with the Future Food Asia Award

Selection of the winner for the Future Food Asia Award was carried out by the jury represented by Francesca Kleemans, Managing Director, Cargill Food Ingredients, Dr. Yuchu Zhang, Group R&D Leader, Cargill Protein Asia & Europe; Dr Min Hao Wong, Director, Food & Nutrition, Agency for Science, Technology and Research (A*STAR); and Isabelle Decitre, Founder of ID Capital.

With a focus on disruptive solutions to overcome the hurdles on the path to a more sustainable food future in Asia Pacific, the jury named Xsights as the winner of the 2023 Future Food Asia Award.

Xsights' patented XIoT Tag enables affordable and scalable tracking of livestock location and

health monitoring, allowing for real-time data collection and processing. This technology also has broader applications for the agrifood industry, including biosecurity, supply chain management, breeding optimization, and pasture & carbon management.

Announcing the award, Isabelle Decitre, Founder of ID Capital said "Pre-weaning and grower mortality is an issue plaguing the pig farming industry in particular. Xsights has the potential to reduce this loss, that amounts to about 20% on average. At a time where we are in dire need of solutions to tackle climate change, we cannot afford to leave this loss unaddressed, and waste precious resources, from feed to antibiotics, to grow animals that will never end on our plates."

Tidetron awarded the Fastest growing Agrifood Biotech Startup in China

Founded only in 2021, Tidetron has already reached the much-coveted unicorn status with a billion dollar valuation. The Guangzhou-based start-up has managed to produce commercially 50 different products in its factory, thanks to its proprietary synthetic biology manufacturing platform. Its 13,000-ton capacity enables the team to serve the cosmetics and personal care, food, agriculture and pharmaceutical markets.

Under the leadership of Founder, Dr Zhiqian Zhang, Tidetron has generated over US\$ 72M in revenue in 2022, and the team is well positioned to conquer new market segments and bring biomanufacturing to an unprecedented scale.

Koralo, Germany are the winners of the inaugural Gateway to Asia 2023 Award.

As the first company worldwide co-fermenting microalgae and mycelium of edible mushrooms, Koralo's New F!sh enriches the choice of seafood we eat with superior taste, texture and nutrition at a competitive cost, for thriving people and oceans. Koralo will receive support from ID Capital to develop their business in Asia.

Concluding this 7th edition of the Future Food Asia Conference, Isabelle Decitre added "Both XSights and Tidetron illustrate the exceptional dynamism of the APAC region, the potential that its scale provides and the capacity of its entrepreneurs to address the complexity of our food systems. We wish them both and Koralo every success in their endeavours, that will benefit both our people and planet."

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About ID Capital

ID Capital is an investment and advisory company headquartered in Singapore specializing in the domain of AgriFoodTech. It focuses on the Asia-Pacific region, where high growth meets high stakes. A pioneer in this vertical, it has contributed effort and capital in catalyzing the ecosystem in the region through its Future Food Asia platform launched in 2016. ID Capital is also an Appointed Partner of Enterprise Singapore for its SEEDS Capital fund in the AgriFoodTech sector.

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