Kingsman Asia Sugar Conference
September 5 - 6, 2018 | The Leela Ambience Gurgaon | NCT Delhi, India

Main conference day one: Wednesday, September 5, 2018

11:30 Registration desk opens
12:45 Welcome networking lunch
13:45 Grand opening & lamp lighting ceremony
14:00 Conference chairperson’s welcome remarks
   Ian Dudden, Global Content Director, Agriculture, S&P Global Platts

Session 1: India’s sugar tiger
Moderated by Ian Dudden, Global Content Director, Metals & Agriculture, S&P Global Platts

14:10 ISMA keynote
   India’s sugar policies
   Gaurav Goel, President, ISMA and Managing Director, Dhampur Sugar Mill Limited

14:30 Opening address
   The evolving future of the sugar industry
   Jose Orive, Executive Director, ISO (International Sugar Organization)

14:50 International keynote
   Success story of Brazil in Ethanol and how it can be replicated
   Marcos S. Jank, CEO, Asia-Brazil Agro Alliance (ABAA)

15:10 Policy keynote
   Prof. Ashok Gulati, Former Chairman, Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP) and Infosys Chair Professor for Agriculture, Indian Council for Research on International Economic Relations (ICRIER)

15:30 Mid-afternoon coffee break and networking

Session 2: World trade dynamics
Moderated by Charlotte Kingsman, Founder, ECRUU - Commodities Media Monitoring

16:00 Trade keynote
   World sugar in flux: Forecasting the market movements
   Peter de Klerk, Senior Economist, ISO (International Sugar Organization)

16:20 Market expectations in 2018/19
   Navneet Iyengar, Senior Sugar Analyst, S&P Global Platts

16:40 Trading house panel A year of records: What can we expect and what happens next?
   Bertrand Bosc, Global Head of Sugar Engelhart Commodities Trading Partners
   Julian Price, Former President, ASSUC, (European Association of Sugar Traders)
   Kona Haque, Head of Group Research EDF & Man

Session 3: Indian story & exports
Moderated by Yatin Wadhwana, Managing Director,Sucden India
17:10  India keynote
India’s sugar outlook – 2018/19 production and trade
Adhir Jha, Managing Director, Indian Sugar Exim Corporation (ISEC)

17:30  Panel discussion
How can India export sugar to neighboring importing nations?
Vikram Tole, Head – Indian Subcontinent, Alvean India Private Limited
Luca Meierhofer, Trading Manager, Louis Dreyfus Company
Cyrus Raja, General Manager, Al Khaleej Sugar Company

18:00  Conference chairperson’s closing remarks
Ian Dudden, Global Content Director, Agriculture, S&P Global Platts

19:30  Asian Sugar Dinner hosted by ISMA

Main conference day two: Thursday, September 6, 2018

09:00  Registration and welcome tea/coffee

09:25  Conference chairperson’s remarks
Ian Dudden, Global Content Director, Agriculture, S&P Global Platts

Session 4: Sugar production costs
Moderated by Ian Dudden, Global Content Director, Agriculture, S&P Global Platts

09:30  Production keynote
Sustainability in sugar production
Danielle Morley, CEO, Bonsucro

10:00  Cost pressure and performance: The impact on competitiveness
Martin Todd, Managing Director, LMC

10:30  Panel discussion
Future movements in key cost drivers: Insights from around the globe
Susanti Wang Zhiqing, Commodity Analyst, (Research Food & Agribusiness), Rabobank
Niraj Shirgaokar, Managing Director, Ugar Sugar Works
Vivek Pittie, Whole Time Director, Harinagar Sugar Mills

11:00  Mid-morning refreshment break and networking

Session 5: Ethanol
Moderated by Aditya Rao, Partner, PLR Chambers

11:30  Ethanol: Spotlight on India
Abinash Verma, Director General, ISMA

12:00  Ethanol: The global outlook
Geraldine Kutas, Head of International Affairs, UNICA
12:30  Panel discussion
Realizing the potential of ethanol
Geraldine Kutas, Head of International Affairs, UNICA
Abinash Verma, Director General, ISMA
Marcos S. Jank, CEO, Asia-Brazil Agro Alliance (ABAA)

13:00  Networking Lunch

Session 6: Weather and crop production
Moderated by Navneet Iyengar, Senior Sugar Analyst, S&P Global Platts

14:30  Weather keynote
The global weather outlook for 2018/19 cane crop
Jatin Singh, Founder & CEO, Skymet Weather

15:00  Panel discussion
Crop production opportunities and challenges
Ekaterina Tsyplakova, Sugar Analyst, Wilmar Sugar
Jatin Singh, Founder & CEO, Skymet Weather
Rohit Pawar, Executive Director, Baramati Agro
Nikhil Goyal, Director, Deshbhandu Group

15:30  Mid-afternoon coffee break and networking

Session 7: Sugar – Changing the perceptions
Moderated by: Jose Orive, Executive Director, ISO (International Sugar Organization)

16:00  Keynote address
Sugar is not a sin
Roberta Re, Director General, WSRO (World Sugar Research Organization)

16:30  Panel discussion
Sugar’s perception problem – how do we move forward?
Lovneet Batra, Clinical Nutritionist, Fortis La Femme & Sports Authority of India
Dr. Kirit Kubavat, Director, Diabetes Centre, Ahmedabad
Disha Malhotra, Founder & CEO, Foot and Ball

17:00  Closing remarks
Changing the perceptions
Roberta Re, Director General, WSRO (World Sugar Research Organization)

17:15  Conference chairperson’s farewell and end of conference
Ian Dudden, Global Content Director, Metals & Agriculture, S&P Global Platts