

# Top food and ag innovators competing for Agripreneur of the Year

Top innovators in food, ag technology and agriculture will be competing for the Agripreneur of the Year title at the third [Future Agro Challenge](#) (FAC) Global Championships. The Future Agro Challenge has managed to mobilise participation from more than 60 countries over five continents to identify ground-breaking agro initiatives addressing national, regional, and global challenges across the food supply chain, in just three years



Winner of the Future Agro Challenge 2016, Nicolás Mbrelli, COO at VACUCH in Santiago, Chile, shares how his innovative business idea - an antibacterial milk liner that mitigates bovine mastitis

and reduces the amount of bacteria in milk - grew to new heights.

“The food chain is broken. We need a bottom-up approach to identifying new and sustainable solutions to current and future challenges. Innovators, who have submitted high-calibre applications to the FAC, are positioned to help us address those challenges. Agripreneurs must be on the frontline and the FAC ecosystem, including all our national stakeholders, are committed to helping them succeed,” Carla Tanas, Future Agro Challenge co-founder said.

This year, Future Agro Challenge is partnering with *Securing Water for Food: A Grand Challenge for Development for the Global Agripreneurs Summit 2017*, a four-day event that connects innovators with investors and key stakeholders in the food and agribusiness sector.

The Global Agripreneurs Summit is hosted in part by Industry Disruptors, Industrial Development Corporation, Sida through the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, and the South African Department of Science and Technology, also a co-host of the GEC.

## The Summit provides participants with access to:

- Investor matchmaking and funding opportunities
- Like-minded startups, industry leaders. and potential clients
- Business models and strategies' evaluations with mentors
- An innovation marketplace
- Recognition awards through the FAC Global Championships
- International media

*The Future Agro Challenge (FAC) Global Championships will take place during the Global Entrepreneurship Congress (GEC) on 12-15 March 2017 in Johannesburg.*

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