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**Agri-food sustainability industry initiative expands its scope to help organizations address environmental impact challenges**

*The pre-competitive World Food LCA Database consortium project will enter into Phase Two to enhance data and facilitate capacity building*

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Dublin, Ireland, October 19, 2016 – The sustainability consulting experts at Quantis are pleased to announce the official kick off of Phase Two of the World Food LCA Database (WFLDB) global initiative at the LCA Food 2016 conference. The WFLDB is a global, multi-stakeholder initiative to drive sustainable change in the agri-food sector.

WFLDB Phase One, co-lead by Quantis and Agroscope and including 12 international partners, focused on forming a pre-competitive group of agri-food stakeholders for the development and delivery of 900 life cycle inventory datasets for improved life cycle assessments (LCA) and environmental communications. Launched in 2012, WFLDB was created to respond to the need for reliable data in the food and beverage industry. The high-quality datasets delivered provided business managers and policy makers with sound information essential for making smart decisions about their food products, processes, systems and value chains.

WFLDB will expand its scope in Phase Two to build on the achievements in Phase One by enhancing the available data and will also respond to the current needs of the agri-food industry: to have the data, methodology, tools as well as knowledge to address critical environmental challenges.

By facilitating collaboration amongst the project partners, Phase Two will tackle sector-wide issues with consistent methodology and sound science. The WFLDB project will expand to include capacity-building and best practice sharing on topics critical to the agri-food sector, such as:

**Corporate goal setting and tracking - Science-based targets - Soil health - Deforestation / Land use change - Pesticide use - Food waste - Responsible sourcing – Nutrients management - Eco-Design - Communication**

Partners will have the opportunity to participate in two physical meetings per year to facilitate the exchanges. In addition, the partners can join interactive workshops, training sessions, social events as well as more informal community exchanges throughout the project.

Current members include General Mills, Mars, Nestlé, PepsiCo and Yara. The WFLDB project is still accepting partners for Phase Two. For more information, contact Jean-Baptiste Bayart, Quantis Senior Consultant and the WFLDB lead, at [jean-baptiste.bayart@quantis-intl.com](mailto:jean-baptiste.bayart@quantis-intl.com).

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Quantis is proud to lead other pre-competitive, collaborative initiatives that drive environmental sustainability actions. These include the [World Apparel and Footwear Lifecycle Database](#) and the global [Guidance on deforestation and climate change accounting](#).

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