Launch of the Roquette Foundation for Health

The Group gives a new dimension to its social commitments

La Madeleine, 21 November 2017 – Roquette, a global leader in plant-based ingredients for the Food, Nutrition and Health markets, reinforces its commitments by setting up a foundation: the Roquette Foundation for Health.

Placed under the aegis of the Fondation de France, this Foundation aims to support innovative or educational programs in the fields of food and nutrition.

It will work alongside various types of projects, such as:
- Support for educational programs on diet,
- Studies on the impact of food on diseases,
- Support for operational and sustainable projects that are beneficial to health.

Thanks to its plant-based ingredients, Roquette is constantly exploring new ways of imagining and proposing solutions to better feed and cure people according to their lifestyle, their age, where they live and what they do.

The creation of this Foundation at the service of health is thus perfectly complementary to the Group’s activities and will encourage new initiatives.

Edouard Roquette, President of Roquette, stated: “Driven by the values that have guided our Group since its creation, we wanted to give a new dimension to our commitments. This Foundation for Health was born out of a shared desire on the part of the Board of Directors and Executive Management to bring together employees and members of the Roquette Family around strong social actions. We are all engaged in this every day at Roquette. Through our activities, through our work, we strive for sustainable human and economic development. It is a real point of pride that we want to share. It is a tremendous asset that we must cultivate. We are committed, involved and rooted in our local communities. With this Foundation, we will continue to forge meaningful and forward-looking bonds.”

Jean-Marc Gilson, CEO of Roquette, added: “Together with all the members of the Executive Office, we are very pleased to launch the Roquette Foundation for Health. Our Foundation is a source of pride and inspiration for every Roquette employee. Every day, we work to improve the well-being and health of millions of people around the world by offering the best of nature. We are all actors and ambassadors. That is why we want our Foundation to be an opportunity for each of our employees to get involved in social projects in every field in which we operate.”

The Roquette Foundation for Health, chaired by Edouard Roquette, relies on a steering committee made up of personalities with varied and complementary backgrounds, including shareholders, Roquette Group employees and experts in the field of Health. This committee notably includes Professor Eric Boulanger (MD, PhD), Medical Director: Longevity Health Prevention Center - Pasteur Institute of Lille & Lille University Hospital, Head: Aging Biology & Geriatrics - Medical School - Lille University – INSERM - University Hospital of Lille and Professor Frédéric Gottrand (MD, PhD), Professor of Pediatrics University of Lille, pediatrician University Hospital CHU-Lille.

Managed on a daily basis by Anne Lambin, delegate of the Foundation and former Head of Sustainable Development at Roquette, the Foundation benefits from Roquette Group’s network and will develop its own partnerships in France and abroad to identify and support its projects.
About Roquette: “Improving well-being by offering the best of nature”
A family-owned Group serving customers globally, Roquette is a leader in specialty food ingredients and pharmaceutical excipients. The products and solutions developed by the Group deliver proven technological, nutritional and health benefits precisely tailored to the pharma, nutrition, food and selected industry markets. Roquette’s offer is produced from plant-based raw materials such as corn, wheat, potatoes and peas. Since its foundation over 80 years ago, the Group’s growth has been based on innovation, a passion for the job and a commitment to achieve. Roquette operates in over 100 countries, has a turnover of around 3.2 billion euros and currently employs 8,300 people worldwide.

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