

PRESS RELEASE

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Ajinomoto Co., Inc. Announces Changes in Its Organization and Personnel

TOKYO, May 17, 2019 – Ajinomoto Co., Inc. (“Ajinomoto Co.”) announces the following changes in its organization and personnel.

1. Organizational changes

As of July 1

(1) The Nutrition Improvement Dept. is abolished and its operations are transferred to the Overseas Foods & Seasonings Dept. of the Food Products Division and the Nutrition Strategy Task Force.

(2) The Japanese name of the Manufacturing Strategy Dept. is changed, but remains the same in English.

2. Personnel changes

As of June 25

New Position	Current Position	Name
Corporate Executive Officer General Manager, Corporate Planning Dept.	Corporate Executive Officer General Manager, R&D Planning Dept.	Junichiro Kojima
Corporate Fellow General Manager, Manufacturing Strategy Dept.	Corporate Fellow General Manager, Kyushu Plant	Kunihiko Tomori
Corporate Senior Vice President General Manager, R&D Planning Dept.	Corporate Vice President Deputy General Manager, AminoScience Division General Manager, Research Institute for Bioscience Products & Fine Chemicals	Hiroyuki Kojima
Corporate Senior Vice President General Manager, Food Products Division	Corporate Vice President General Manager, ASEAN Division	Kaoru Kurashima
Corporate Vice President Deputy General Manager, Food Products Division	Corporate Executive Officer General Manager, Tokyo Branch	Narutoshi Fukase
Corporate Vice President Deputy General Manager, Food Products Division General Manager, Consumer Data Analysis & Business Creation Dept.	Corporate Executive Officer General Manager, Solution & Ingredients Dept.	Hiroshi Motoyama
Corporate Executive Officer General Manager, Consumer Foods & Seasonings Dept.	General Manager, Consumer Data Analysis & Business Creation Dept.	Tatsuya Okamoto
Corporate Executive Officer General Manager, Overseas Foods & Seasonings Dept.	General Manager, Jakarta Office President, P.T. AJINOMOTO INDONESIA	Ayumu Kamiya

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Corporate Executive Officer General Manager, Global Frozen Foods Strategy Dept.	Corporate Executive Officer General Manager, Food Production & Technology Administration Center	Hideaki Kawana
Corporate Executive Officer General Manager, Tokyo Branch	General Manager, Overseas Foods & Seasonings Dept.	Hiroyuki Teramoto
Corporate Executive Officer General Manager, Food Production & Technology Administration Center	AJINOMOTO DO BRASIL INDUSTRIA E COMERCIO DE ALIMENTOS LTDA.	Toshiyuki Mochizuki
Corporate Vice President General Manager, Institute of Food Sciences and Technologies	Corporate Executive Officer Promasidor Holdings Ltd.	Jiro Sakamoto
Corporate Vice President General Manager, AminoScience Division General Manager, Production & Technology Administration Center	Corporate Executive Officer Deputy General Manager, Europe & Africa Division General Manager, Pharmaceutical Custom Manufacturing Dept.	Gwinnett Bompas
Corporate Vice President Deputy General Manager, AminoScience Division General Manager, Research Institute for Bioscience Products & Fine Chemicals	Corporate Fellow General Manager, Material & Technology Solutions Labs., Research Institute for Bioscience Products & Fine Chemicals	Hiroshi Shiragami
Corporate Executive Officer General Manager, Specialty Chemicals Dept.	Corporate Executive Officer President, Ajinomoto Fine-Techno Co., Inc.	Tadahiko Yokota
Corporate Executive Officer General Manager, Pharmaceutical Custom Manufacturing Dept.	Corporate Executive Officer President, Ajinomoto Althea, Inc.	David Enloe
Corporate Executive Officer General Manager, Kyushu Plant	Corporate Executive Officer General Manager, Production & Technology Administration Center	Koji Tamura
Corporate Vice President General Manager, North America Division and General Manager, Chicago Office President, Ajinomoto Health & Nutrition North America, Inc.	Corporate Fellow General Manager, North America Division and General Manager, Chicago Office President, Ajinomoto Health & Nutrition North America, Inc.	Tatsuya Sato
Corporate Executive Officer President, Ajinomoto Foods North America, Inc.	President, Ajinomoto Foods North America, Inc.	Sumio Maeda
Corporate Vice President General Manager, Europe & Africa Division and General Manager, Paris Office President, AJINOMOTO FOODS EUROPE S.A.S.	Corporate Executive Officer General Manager, Specialty Chemicals Dept.	Yoshiteru Masai
Corporate Executive Officer General Manager, Manila Office and General Manager, Jakarta Office President, AJINOMOTO PHILIPPINES CORPORATION President, P.T. AJINOMOTO INDONESIA	General Manager, Manila Office President, AJINOMOTO PHILIPPINES CORPORATION	Ichiro Sakakura

As of July 1

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General Manager, Finance & Accounting Dept.	General Manager, Accounting Planning Group, Finance & Accounting Dept. and Global Finance Dept.	Eiichi Mizutani
General Manager, Secretarial Dept.	General Manager, Public Relations Group, Public Communications Dept. and Smart Corporate Promotion Han	Shunso Kagei
Corporate Executive Officer General Manager, Group Procurement Center and General Manager, Information System Planning Dept.	Corporate Executive Officer General Manager, Group Procurement Center	Masahiro Tani
General Manager, Business Strategy & Planning Dept., Food Products Division	General Manager, Singapore Office President, AJINOMOTO (SINGAPORE) PRIVATE LTD.	Keita Ishii
General Manager, Consumer Data Analysis & Business Creation Dept.	General Manager, National Account Sales Dept.	Satoshi Iwata
Corporate Fellow General Manager, Solution & Ingredients Dept.	General Manager, Sweeteners Dept.	Ryoichi Ebata
General Manager, Sweeteners Dept.	General Manager, Consumer Group, Sweeteners Dept. and EC Group, Consumer Data Analysis & Business Creation Dept.	Satoshi Utagawa
General Manager, Kanto Branch	Deputy General Manager, Osaka Branch	Tetsushi Tateno
General Manager, Nagoya Branch	General Manager, Tohoku Branch	Masahito Takase
General Manager, Tohoku Branch	General Manager, Kanto Branch	Hitoshi Torikoshi
General Manager, National Account Sales Dept.	Deputy General Manager, Kyushu Branch	Kazuhiro Doke
Corporate Fellow General Manager, Business Strategy & Planning Dept., AminoScience Division	General Manager, Process Development Laboratories, Research Institute for Bioscience Products & Fine Chemicals	Ikuo Kira
General Manager, Sports Nutrition Dept.	General Manager, Marketing Group, Sports Nutrition Dept. and EC Group, Consumer Data Analysis & Business Creation Dept.	Tomoyasu Ogino
Corporate Fellow General Manager, Production & Technology Administration Center, AminoScience Division	President, Ajinomoto Health & Nutrition North America, Inc.	Kazuhito Suzuki
General Manager, Manila Office President, AJINOMOTO PHILIPPINES CORPORATION	President Director, P.T. AJINOMOTO SALES INDONESIA	Tsutomu Nara

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