

## Total Corbion PLA appoints Kumru Kimya as non-exclusive agent for Turkey

Total Corbion PLA, a global technology leader in Poly Lactic Acid (PLA), has appointed Kumru Kimya, a polymer trading company, as a non-exclusive agent in Turkey for its Luminy® PLA portfolio. This collaboration allows the Turkish market to have an even better access to the benefits of PLA bioplastics.

Kumru Kimya is a biopolymer trading partner in the Turkish market, and for almost a decade has been servicing companies that are interested in sustainable polymer solutions. *“Total Corbion PLA’s product portfolio will be an important asset in our overall product offering, especially during this era in which the circular economy becomes the ultimate path forward in the plastic industry”* said Mert Kumru, General Manager at Kumru Kimya, *“the quality and versatility of the Luminy® PLA portfolio will help us to unlock various new products and applications where biobased and/or compostable solutions are required.”*

*“We are delighted that Kumru Kimya will be our representative in Turkey”* says Hugo Vuurens, Senior Business Director EMEA at Total Corbion PLA, *“Turkey is an important manufacturing base for many plastics products with over 7.000 known converters and much innovation is taking place there. Our cooperation with Kumru Kimya will significantly contribute to understanding and meeting the fast rising demand for biopolymers in Turkey. Luminy® PLA will also contribute to reducing end-of-life concerns.”*



From left to right: Hugo Vuurens (Total Corbion PLA), Cem Kumru (Kumru Kimya), Stéphane Dion (Total Corbion PLA) and Mert Kumru (Kumru Kimya).



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#### **About Total Corbion PLA**

Total Corbion PLA is a global technology leader in Poly Lactic Acid (PLA) and lactide monomers. PLA is a biobased and biodegradable polymer made from annually renewable resources, offering a reduced carbon footprint versus many traditional plastics. The Luminy® PLA portfolio, which includes both high heat and standard PLA grades, is an innovative material that is used in a wide range of markets from packaging to consumer goods, fibers and automotive. Total Corbion PLA, headquartered in the Netherlands, operates a 75,000 tons per year PLA production facility in Rayong, Thailand. The company is a 50/50 joint venture between Total and Corbion. [www.total-corbion.com](http://www.total-corbion.com)

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Corbion is the global market leader in lactic acid, lactic acid derivatives, and a leading company in emulsifiers, functional enzyme blends, minerals, vitamins and algae ingredients. The company develops sustainable ingredient solutions to improve the quality of life for people today and for future generations. Corbion's solutions help differentiate products in markets such as food, home & personal care, animal nutrition, pharmaceuticals, medical devices and bioplastics. In 2018, Corbion generated annual sales of € 897.2 million and had a workforce of 2,040 FTE. Corbion is listed on the Euronext Amsterdam. [www.corbion.com](http://www.corbion.com)

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