Ynsect is Named in the 2017 Global Cleantech 100 & As Winner of the "Europe & Israel Company of the Year" Award

Paris – January 24, 2017: Ynsect – the global leader in the mass-scale breeding of insects for the animal feed markets – today announced it was named in the prestigious <u>2017 Global Cleantech 100</u>, produced by CTG (<u>Cleantech Group</u>), whose work keeps its audiences and clients in touch with emerging trends, leading innovation companies and all key players in sustainable innovation.

The Global Cleantech 100 represents the most innovative and promising ideas impacting the future of a wide-range of industries. Featuring companies that are best positioned to solve tomorrow's clean technology challenges, Global Cleantech 100 is a comprehensive list of private companies with the highest potential to make significant market impact within a 5-10 year timeframe.

In addition to being one of the top 100 private companies in cleantech, Ynsect was also the recipient of the **"Europe & Israel Company of the Year**" Award. The Europe & Israel Company of the Year is awarded to the highest ranked company in the 2017 Global Cleantech 100 list, from the region.

"We are proud to be recognized as one of the most innovative startup, and a high potential solution to help build a more sustainable food system." said Antoine Hubert, CEO.

The Global Cleantech 100 list is collated by combining proprietary CTG research data, with weighted qualitative judgments of hundreds of nominations, and specific inputs from a global 86-person Expert Panel. To qualify for the list, companies must be independent, for-profit, cleantech companies that are not listed on any major stock exchange.

This year, a record number of nominations were received: 9,900 distinct companies from 77 countries. These companies were weighted and scored to create a short list of 325 companies. Short-listed nominees were reviewed by CTG's Expert Panel, resulting in a finalized list of 100 companies from 17 countries.

The 86-member expert panel was drawn equally from leading financial investors and representatives of multi-national corporations and industrials active in technology and innovation scouting across Asia, Europe, and North America. The composition of the expert panel broadly represents the global cleantech community, from pioneers and leaders to veterans and new entrants. The diversity of panelists results in a list of companies that command an expansive base of respect and support from many important players within the global cleantech innovation ecosystem.

"From day one, the purpose of the Global Cleantech 100 program was to act as our barometric read on how the many facets that contribute to the emergence and maturing of an innovation theme like cleantech (the "doing of more with less") are changing year on year," said Richard Youngman, CEO, CTG (Cleantech Group). "Now in its 8th year, we see more signals this year of the ongoing mainstreaming of clean technologies, sustainability, and resource efficiency on its journey towards the point where this is just the normal way business is done."

- The complete list of 100 companies was revealed on January 23rd at the 15th annual Cleantech Forum San Francisco. <u>https://i3connect.com/gct100/the-list</u>
- For a complete list of the Global Cleantech 100 Awards and past winners: <u>https://i3connect.com/gct100/awards</u>
- For complete information on Ynsect's leadership within the cleantech space, <u>access i3</u> by visiting i3connect.com CTG's leading market intelligence platform and search for Ynsect.
- The list is accompanied by a full report with commentary and insight on the 2017 Global Cleantech 100 — authored by CTG, powered by data from i3, and sponsored by <u>Chubb</u>.
 Download the report at: http://info.cleantech.com/GlobalCleantech100Report2017 GCT100Report2017Submit.html
- The complete list of Global Cleantech 100 expert panel members is available at https://i3connect.com/gct100/panelist

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Founded in 2002, the mission of Cleantech Group (CTG) is to accelerate sustainable innovation. Our subscriptions, events and programs are all designed to help corporates, investors, and all players in the innovation ecosystem discover and connect with the key companies, trends, and people in the market. Our coverage is global, spans the entire clean technology theme and is relevant to the future of all industries. The company is headquartered in San Francisco, with a growing international presence in London.

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About Ynsect

Founded in 2011 by Alexis Angot, Fabrice Berro, Antoine Hubert and Jean Gabriel Levon, Ynsect is an innovation company which farms and transforms insects into a high-quality natural diet to meet the needs of the (farmed and domestic) animal feed markets, and potentially, in the longer term, human nutrition markets too. With cutting-edge R&D, patented technologies and a world-leading multidisciplinary team, Ynsect was founded on a visionary idea: placing insect-derived protein at the heart of the agri-food system to sustainably address the growing global demand for meat and fish.

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