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**ChemChina transaction: update on regulatory process**

Syngenta and ChemChina today announced that the EU review of ChemChina's acquisition of Syngenta will enter Phase II with effect from 31 October. The regular duration of Phase II is up to 90 working days. The companies intend to continue constructive discussions with the EU authorities in order to conclude the review as early as possible.

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Syngenta is a leading agriculture company helping to improve global food security by enabling millions of farmers to make better use of available resources. Through world class science and innovative crop solutions, our 28,000 people in over 90 countries are working to transform how crops are grown. We are committed to rescuing land from degradation, enhancing biodiversity and revitalizing rural communities. To learn more visit [www.syngenta.com](http://www.syngenta.com) and [www.goodgrowthplan.com](http://www.goodgrowthplan.com). Follow us on Twitter® at [www.twitter.com/Syngenta](https://twitter.com/Syngenta).

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