



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Sofiprotéol supports the long-term development of the InVivo Group by subscribing to a new issue of participating securities**

**Paris, February 17, 2026 – Sofiprotéol, the financing and development company of Avril, and InVivo, one of Europe’s leading agricultural groups, announce Sofiprotéol’s subscription to participating securities issued by Union InVivo.**

**This transaction reflects the shared commitment of both groups to contribute to the long-term development and structuring of cereal-based agricultural and agri-food value chains.**

#### **InVivo, a structuring player in agricultural value chains**

As a union of 163 French agricultural cooperatives, InVivo operates across all grain-related businesses, from upstream to downstream of agricultural production. Following major growth transactions, including the acquisition of the Soufflet Group in 2021 and United Malt Group (UMG) in 2023, InVivo has become one of Europe’s leading agricultural groups.

Serving the agricultural transition, InVivo’s ambition is to support the transformation of French agriculture and strengthen food sovereignty.

#### **An investment supporting the transformation of value chains**

Following the refinancing and extension of the Group’s syndicated credit facilities, this transaction enables InVivo to consolidate a long-term financing base capable of supporting its development strategy in France and internationally.

Through this investment, Sofiprotéol supports a leading French player in structuring the wheat and barley value chains, while bringing to bear the long-term expertise of an investor committed to agricultural and agri-food sectors.

The transaction will enable the deployment of projects strengthening the ability of large-scale crop value chains to respond to changing market conditions, environmental expectations and new uses. By promoting better coordination between production, processing and end markets, this partnership aims to support the resilience and

competitiveness of French production, benefiting cooperatives, farmers and local communities.

This investment is part of a long-term partnership approach, serving the economic performance and transition of French agricultural and agri-food value chains, in line with the “Agricultural Resilience” study released at the end of 2025, to which InVivo and Sofiprotéol contributed.

**Maha Fournier**, Chief Executive Officer in charge of Finance, IT, Legal Affairs and M&A at InVivo, said: *“We thank our partner Sofiprotéol for its trust and the support provided to the development of our agricultural and agri-food value chains in France and worldwide. This partnership reflects our shared commitment to supporting the transformation of French agriculture towards sustainable, resilient and high-performing farming.”*

**Xavier Dorchies**, Deputy Chief Executive Officer of Sofiprotéol, said: *“This investment is in line with our ongoing commitment to enhancing the value of French agricultural production. The InVivo Group, deeply rooted in local territories and open to international markets, plays a key role in structuring value chains. Together, we are helping to support transitions and sustainably strengthen farmers’ resilience and income.”*

#### **About InVivo:**

The InVivo Group is one of Europe’s leading agricultural groups, with revenue of €11.4 billion, more than half generated in France, and a workforce of 15,000 employees, including 10,000 in France. Operating in 38 countries, the Group runs 90 industrial sites, 54 of which are located in France. As a pillar of food sovereignty, InVivo operates across the entire value chain, from farm to fork, leading in each of its four strategic activities: international grain trading, agriculture, agri-food (malt, wheat division, wine), and garden retail and food distribution. A global transversal hub of innovative and digital solutions complements this structure to accelerate the transformation of these activities toward the third agricultural revolution.

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#### **About Sofiprotéol:**

Founded in 1983 at the initiative of the agricultural sector, Sofiprotéol, the financing and development company of Avril, supports companies in the agricultural and agri-food sectors. Serving food and environmental transitions, Sofiprotéol is a long-term partner accompanying value-chain companies to strengthen their equity, notably during development transactions or investments aimed at enhancing competitiveness. From debt to equity, the financing solutions offered by Sofiprotéol are based on an industrial and entrepreneurial approach, supporting development and innovation at all stages of value chains: from upstream agricultural production (seeds, genetics, agricultural inputs, etc.) to downstream activities (agro-industrial and agri-food sectors), including collection organizations and first-stage processing.

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