

**CLSA Capital Partners' Clean Resources Asia Growth Fund  
invests in VoloAgri Group Inc.**

**Singapore / California, [Tuesday, 17 September, 2013]** - CLSA Capital Partners ("CLSACP"), the alternative asset management arm of CLSA, Asia's leading independent brokerage and investment group, is pleased to announce that Clean Resources Asia Growth Fund L.P. ("CRAG") has invested into VoloAgri Group Inc. ("VoloAgri" or the "Company").

The investment is part of a larger financing round that will enable VoloAgri to accelerate its acquisition and growth strategy in the highly fragmented vegetable seed market.

VoloAgri is a global agricultural technology company, leveraging on strong industry knowledge and networks to enable targeted acquisitions of key seed technology companies creating a global seed platform. The Company is headed by a proven and world class management team that has extensive experience in consolidating and building seed companies.

Peter Kennedy, Managing Director of CRAG said: "We are extremely excited to be partnering with VoloAgri. There are rarely times as an investor that you get the combination of great technology, world class proven management and marquee sponsorship in one package".

Peter Kennedy added: "Sustainable agriculture is one of our core focus areas given the acute issues we are seeing in Asia. We believe VoloAgri will be an excellent standalone investment and that it will bring significant value and seed technology to the Asian markets. This is the third agriculture investment by CLSA's Clean Resources Asia Growth Fund and we believe that by leveraging the other portfolio companies in our eco-system, we will bring additional distribution and benefits to VoloAgri in Asia."

VoloAgri CEO Anthony Padgett added: "We are excited to be working with CLSA's Clean Resources Asia Growth Fund, as they bring a combination of agriculture domain experience alongside their deep Asia network. We very much look forward to continuing to work with them to further grow our businesses in Asia."

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**About VoloAgri**

VoloAgri Group, Inc. invests in the global vegetable seed industry. Its focus is world-class plant breeding and plant genetics, including all major species of vegetables. The Company applies the latest hybrid breeding technologies to improve agricultural results and foster sustainable agricultural practices.

Headquartered in the San Francisco Bay Area, California, VoloAgri brands now include US Agriseeds, California Hybrids, Catalyst, New World Seeds and Garlikins.

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- **Fudo Capital**, pan-Asian real estate investment funds.
- **CLSA Sunrise Capital**, Japan dedicated private equity funds, capitalizing on opportunities in the mid-cap sector.
- **Clean Resources Asia Growth Fund**, pan-Asian clean resources, private equity growth capital fund.
- **MezzAsia Capital**, a pan-Asian fund providing hybrid capital and structured lending solutions for growing mid-cap companies and private equity led transactions.
- **Pacific Transportation**, shipping and logistics private equity fund.
- **Semeru**, investing in equities listed in Asian (ex-Japan) markets.

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