



OSI Spain Receives Sustainability Award from Spain's Meat Industry Association

Gersthofen, Germany, April 2, 2019 – The National Association of Meat Industries of Spain (ANICE) held its annual awards ceremony on March 28, 2019 in Madrid. This is the fourth year the ANICE awards have been conferred upon individuals, companies and institutions that have contributed to the advancement of the meat industry, both nationally and internationally. OSI Spain was awarded the 2019 Sustainability and Environment prize.

The Sustainability and Environment prize consists of a recognition plaque and diploma, and is given to those entities with exemplary contributions to a more sustainable meat value chain.

"We are very proud to have been selected for this prestigious award," said Jose Maria del Rio, managing director for OSI Food Solutions in Toledo, Spain. "OSI is committed to all areas of sustainability, including social responsibility, the environment, and the sustainability of our supply chain. OSI has established measurable goals and objectives within those three priority areas at the corporate level, and we execute against them locally."

OSI implemented a contract for sustainability commitment in all its European plants in 2014, and this contract must be signed and maintained by each plant manager every twelve months. The contract defines objectives that each of the sustainability areas must cover: energy efficiency, efficiency in water consumption and waste management, training and development, commitment to the community, safety and health, animal welfare and supplier auditing.

"We are very proud of the position OSI Spain holds as a sustainability leader in its local communities and the larger industry," added Nicole Johnson-Hoffman, OSI's chief sustainability officer. "The employees at this facility embrace social responsibility and serve the needs of this area, donating food to needy families on a regular basis and joining with other business leaders to solve big challenges like accommodating disabilities in the workforce and reducing environmental impacts in our supply chain."

OSI Food Solutions Spain is the second company in Spain's meat sector and fourth in the country's overall food sector to have been certified to [Social Accountability International's SA8000® standard](#).



Marta Torres, OSI Spain's human resources, health and safety, and environmental manager (center), receives the award at the March 28 event, pictured here with Maria Blanco, QA manager (left) and Cristina Malagón, finance manager (right).

About OSI

OSI Group, LLC is a 100-plus year old, privately held corporation that is a global leader in supplying value-added protein items and other food products to leading foodservice and retail brands. The company currently has more than 65 facilities in 18 countries and territories, with its global headquarters located in Aurora, Illinois, a suburb of Chicago.