

# Press release

## AAK opens Customer Innovation Center in Tokyo

To further strengthen its capabilities and customer co-development approach in the Japanese market, AAK will open a Customer Innovation Center in the Minato ward of Tokyo.

“The center will be focused on applications within Chocolate & Confectionery Fats but will also cover customer innovation projects and new product development within our Dairy and Special Nutrition segments”, says Torben Friis Lange, President Asia. “By investing in these facilities we are dedicated to support our customers in the region and give them access to AAK’s global solutions.”

The investment further expands AAK’s presence in a market that the company fully entered in early 2016 when establishing a partnership with Miyoshi Oils & Fats Co. by forming a new company for the Japanese market, AAK Miyoshi JP.

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