## President and Founder of Alltech

## Dr. Pearse Lyons

Dr. T. Pearse Lyons is the founder and president of Alltech, a global animal health company that employs 2,650 people and conducts business in 128 countries in every region of the world. Founded in 1980, the company has grown to annual sales exceeding \$500 million.

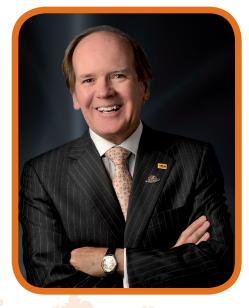
Dr. Lyons is widely recognized as an entrepreneur and innovative industry leader. His scientific expertise, combined with an acute business sense, helped revolutionize the animal feed industry through the introduction of organic and other natural ingredients to feed. Through our ACE principle, we continue to ensure that our work has a positive impact on the Animal, the Consumer and the Environment. Now, as we enter our fourth decade of business, our solid base will enable us to extend our products, core values and nutritional solutions to an ever-expanding market. At the same time, our commitment to the primacy of science remains steadfast.

Lyons holds several natural science degrees. He received his bachelor's degree from the University College Dublin and obtained his master's and doctoral degrees at the University of Birmingham, England. He later worked as a biochemist for the Irish Distillers before founding Alltech in 1980. Since then, he has authored more than 20 books and numerous research papers in scientific journals.

Lyons received the State Export Award for Kentucky and was acknowledged as leading one of the top 100 fastest-growing high-tech companies by World Trade Magazine. He was named Kentucky Entrepreneur of the Year in 1993. Lyons has been recognized for his contribution to science and industry and has been awarded honorary doctorates from the University of Plymouth, England; Heriot-Watt University, Scotland; and the University of Kentucky and Centre College, United States. University College Dublin awarded Lyons an honorary doctorate on the occasion of its 150th anniversary. He was recognized as one of the top 15 Irish-American life scientists of the year by Biolink USA-Ireland.

In 2010, he earned international acclaim through Alltech's title sponsorship of the 2010 Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games in Lexington, Kentucky. His leadership in the historic event led to the receipt of the Commonwealth of Kentucky's first-ever Legacy Award in 2011.

Creating a legacy from the Alltech FEI Games was one of Lyons' goals. Toward that end, the new climate-controlled indoor Alltech Arena was built at the Kentucky Horse Park, transforming the park into a year-round venue for major equestrian competitions. The Alltech National Horse Show will be held there beginning in 2011.



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