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ofi's [nuts team](#) was awarded the Corporate Golden Nut Award, by the [International Nut and Dried Fruit Council \(INC\) Congress](#). The Golden Nut Award is the top international recognition of excellence in the nuts industry. The team also received the Innovation Award for Cashew Nut Oil Dipping Sauces & Dressings, which use minimally processed cashew oil to address consumer interest in the plant-based market.

Ashok Krishen, managing director and CEO, nuts, **ofi** said, ““We pride ourselves in providing nutritious, high-quality nuts and nut ingredients to customers around the globe. With such a breadth of nuts experience, we understand the great impact we can have across the value chain from plant to plate, and as a result, have set public sustainability targets across our nuts business. Our purpose at **ofi** is to be the change for good food and a healthy future, and I’m honored to receive the Golden Nut Award on behalf of **ofi**’s nuts team.”

Held at the INC Congress in Dubai, the Golden Nut award was presented to Olam Group CEO Sunny Verghese. The Congress is the world's largest gathering of leadership in the nuts and fruit industry. The meeting explores the state of the market, sustainability seminars, and key trends, as well as roundtables for each nut and dried fruit.

Experts from **ofi** spoke at the following sessions:

- Sunny Verghese, Group CEO of Olam Group, gave a keynote speech on ways we can successfully and sustainably improve the food and agricultural system.
- Krishen served on the panel titled, “Matching Supply Chain To Production And Consumption Trends: Looking Into The Future.”
- Anupam Jindel, Country Head Turkey, Global Head Hazelnuts & Sesame chaired the Hazelnuts round table.
- Ümit Ergin, Vice President - Product Line Manager & Head of Sales Cashews participated in the Cashews round table.

**ofi** is a leading global provider of nuts, as the top cashew ingredients provider in sourcing & processing; the top hazelnut originator, processor & ingredient player; as well as the top almond grower. In 2021, **ofi**'s [cashew](#) and [hazelnut](#) businesses set 2030 sustainability targets to improve livelihoods, communities and landscapes in line with the [United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals](#), with plans to expand commitments across its almond business in 2022.

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#### **About ofi**

**ofi** (olam food ingredients) is a new operating group born out of Olam. **ofi** offers sustainable, natural, value-added food products and ingredients so that consumers can enjoy the healthy and indulgent products they love. It consists of industry-leading businesses of cocoa, coffee, dairy, nuts, and spices. **ofi** has built a unique global value chain presence including its own farming operations, farm-gate origination, and manufacturing facilities. **ofi** partners with customers, leveraging its complementary and differentiated portfolio of 'on-trend' food products, to co-create solutions that anticipate and meet changing consumer preferences as demand increases for healthier food that's traceable and sustainable. To subscribe to the **ofi** newsroom, please visit [www.ofi.com](http://www.ofi.com) (privacy statement [here](#)). If you do not wish to receive information from **ofi** please contact [media@ofi.com](mailto:media@ofi.com). Follow [@ofi-group](#) on LinkedIn.



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