Zurich / Switzerland, 29 September 2014 – ARYZTA AG announces results for the financial year ended 31 July 2014

Key Performance Highlights

Food Group
– Revenue increase of 10.0% to €3.394bn.
  - Food Europe increased by 14.0% to €1,586m.
  - Food North America increased by 8.7% to €1,587m.
  - Food Rest of World declined by (5.7)% to €221m.
– EBITA increase of 19.6% to €486m.
  - Food Europe increased by 23.8% to €230m.
  - Food North America increased by 21.0% to €230m.
  - Food Rest of World declined by (15.7)% to €26m.
– EBITA margin increased by 110 bps to 14.3%
– Net Debt: EBITDA ratio of 2.45x.

Origin
– Revenue declined by (0.2)% to €1.415bn.
– Origin Enterprises underlying fully diluted EPS increased by 10.4% to 57.51 cent.
– Origin dividend increased by 15.9% to 20.00 cent – a payout ratio of 35%.
– Returned €100m to shareholders via tender offer.
– Net Debt: EBITDA ratio of 0.14x.

Group
– Group revenue increased by 6.8% to €4.809bn.
– Group EBITA increased by 19.0% to €566m.
– Underlying fully diluted net profit increased by 18.3% to €378m.
– Underlying fully diluted EPS increased by 17.2% to 422.2 cent.

Commenting on the results, ARYZTA AG Chief Executive Officer Owen Killian said:

“ARYZTA has delivered a strong performance for FY 2014, with an increase of 17.2% in underlying fully diluted EPS in the final year of our three year transformation. Food Group revenue increased by 10.0%, despite an adverse currency movement of (3.7)%. Underlying revenue increased by 2.1% and acquired businesses contributed an excellent 11.6% increase in revenue during the period.

Our alignment with the requirements of major food corporations will facilitate long-term growth, while the creation of ARYZTA Food Solutions will bring value and differentiation to independent customers.

ARYZTA remains financially disciplined and very cash generative, which will support continued investment and sector consolidation.”
The ARYZTA full year results for the year ended 31 July 2014 are available for download from the ARYZTA website and at the following link:
http://www.aryzta.com/2014-FullYear-Results

About ARYZTA
ARYZTA AG (‘ARYZTA’) is a global food business with a leadership position in speciality bakery. ARYZTA is based in Zurich, Switzerland, with operations in North America, South America, Europe, Asia, Australia and New Zealand. ARYZTA has a primary listing on the SIX Swiss Exchange and a secondary listing on the ISE Irish Exchange (SIX: ARYN, ISE: YZA).

ARYZTA is the majority shareholder (68.1 %) in Origin Enterprises plc, which has a listing on the AIM in London and the ESM in Dublin (AIM: OGN, ESM: OIZ).

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Analyst conference call
An analyst call will take place today at 09:00 CET (08:00 BST).

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Please provide the following code: 95863316 to access the call.

A printable version of the slides will be available to download from the ARYZTA website www.aryzta.com 15 minutes before the call.

A conference call webcast replay will be available from the ARYZTA website www.aryzta.com

Forward looking statement
This document contains forward looking statements which reflect management’s current views and estimates. The forward looking statements involve certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in the forward looking statements. Potential risks and uncertainties include such factors as general economic conditions, foreign exchange fluctuations, competitive product and pricing pressures and regulatory developments.