Daulet Nurzhanov, CEO of Kusto Agro, says: “Our rapid growth since 2011 when we were founded is testament to Kusto’s commitment and energy. We are now one of Ukraine’s leading agriculture companies by value and helping to change the way food production is approached in the region. It’s about doing things better but with a long-term plan to ensure that our efforts are sustainable.”

**FARMING**

With its business model of taking land leases of at least five years and by using precision farming and telematics, Kusto is able to maximise yields over the long term to help meet the growing demands of developing markets for foodstuffs and animal feed. In 2014, Kusto invested in world-class modern machinery.

Kusto’s land bank held 12,300 hectares of cultivated land in 2016, which it plans to increase to 50,000 hectares by 2020. This would yield 300,000 tonnes of grain.

Kusto also has over 600 head of cattle on a dairy farm in the Zhytomyr region as part of its strategy to grow is agri-footprint.
From the field to the shelf – that’s the holistic approach taken by Kusto

GRAIN ELEVATORS

Its three modern grain elevators were built in 2012 with a combined storage capacity of 90,000 tonnes. Their annual combined processing, storage and shipment capacity is currently 320,000 tonnes, which is planned to rise to about 430,000 tonnes by 2020. Kusto Agro supplies some 45 per cent of the throughput, with the balance coming from commercial clients.

LOGISTICS

Kusto uses trucks and equipment from Man, Scandia, Scafco, Strahl and Shmidt-Zeeger to transport food products for the group and other clients and plans to develop a transport group taking in truck, rail and sea.

TRADING

Kusto Agro Trading is at the forefront of the value-added integrated agriculture sector, working with mid-sized and large partners in the food industry, with 50 per cent of its output delivered directly to the final consumer.

Kusto’s farms supply 45 per cent of Agro Trading’s product. It also specializes in niche products such as flax, beans, millet, sorghum, chickpeas, peas, coriander and pumpkin seeds.

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