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Marcos Jank has published over 200 works and presented about 500 lectures in events in the country and abroad, and has over 20 years of experience in topics related to the sugar-ethanol industry. He is fluent in Portuguese, English, French, and Spanish.