

PRESS RELEASE

Bertrand Conquéret (Henkel) elected as new President of the Together for Sustainability initiative

BRUSSELS— (June 5, 2019) — On May 23, 2019, the General Assembly of Together for Sustainability (TfS) took place to elect its new President and Steering Committee and to formally close the fiscal year 2018. Bertrand Conquéret, Henkel, will be the TfS President for the next two years.

Once a year, the Chief Procurement Officers of the meanwhile 23 TfS member companies meet for the General Assembly, which is the highest decision making body of TfS. This year's speciality was the election of the new TfS President and Steering Committee which is done every two years. On May 23, 2019, the TfS General Assembly elected Bertrand Conquéret (Henkel) as its new President and Frederique van Baarle (Lanxess), Erk Thorsten Heyen (Wacker), Kristian Saksida (Solvay), Thomas Udesen (Bayer), Dirk Jan de With (Covestro), and Tom Witzel (BASF) as new TfS Steering Committee members. The TfS President and Steering Committee members will have a main stake in TfS future strategy in the next years.

"I am very pleased to have received the confidence of the TfS members to become President of our joined initiative and by that to be able to lead and shape TfS in the next two years!" says Conquéret. "All TfS members share the vision and responsibility for improving the sustainability performance of our suppliers. I am looking forward to bringing TfS closer to our shared goals – together with the 23 TfS members and the entire associated TfS teams across companies and regions."

Rüdiger Eberhard (Evonik) who led the initiative as President for the last four years, summarizes: „As member of the TfS initiative, we all share the commitment to improve the sustainability performance of the suppliers in the chemical industry. I feel that the TfS leadership is in very good hands with Bertrand, who played a very active, committed and inspiring role in TfS from the very beginning."

About Together for Sustainability (TfS)

TfS AISBL is a joint initiative of chemical companies for sustainable supply chains. It was founded in 2011 to develop and implement a global program to assess, audit and improve sustainability practices within the supply chains of the chemical industry. Currently it has 22 member companies worldwide and intends to grow globally. TfS is a partner company of Cefic. The TfS Initiative strives to achieve mutual benefits for both its member companies and their suppliers. In doing so, social and environmental conditions are to be continuously improved for the benefit of all relevant stakeholders, including employees, neighborhoods, local communities and society as a whole. TfS consists of an assessment and an audit process. TfS members can individually and independently apply these processes for their sustainable sourcing activities.

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(From left to the right in the back): Kristian Saksida (Solvay), Tom Witzel (BASF), Erk Thorsten Heyen (WACKER) (in the front): Gabriele Unger (TfS), Bertrand Conquéret (Henkel), Frederique van Baarle (LANXESS), Thomas Udesen (Bayer), Dirk Jan de With (Covestro).