

CABB, Mitsui and Sennics join the TfS initiative for sustainable supply chains

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Brussels (Belgium) – 27 April 2022 - Together for Sustainability (TfS) is very pleased to announce that **CABB Group**, a leading contract development and manufacturing company (CDMO) for starting materials, active ingredients and advanced intermediates; **Mitsui**, a Japanese trading company dealing globally in Chemicals, Energy, Metals and active in infrastructure projects; and **Sennics**, a service provider of polymer additives, and member of Sinochem International; have joined the TfS initiative for sustainable supply chains.

Key messages:

- With the arrival of CABB Group, Mitsui and Sennics the TfS member company count is now 36
- TfS welcomes its first Japanese member and second Chinese member
- The increase of membership confirms TfS' leadership position with regard to driving and delivering sustainability through the chemical industry's supply chains
- Against the backdrop of the climate challenge and growing regulatory requirements, TfS offers the chemical industry a framework and roadmap to make supply chains a key contributor to the overall corporate's sustainability performance

The growth of membership to 36 companies reinforces TfS' leadership position with regard to driving and delivering sustainable supply chains around the world

TfS President Bertrand Conquéret says "I am very proud to welcome CABB Group, Mitsui and Sennics to the TfS family, bringing the TfS membership to 36 companies. Together and with our strategic partners we continue to expand our reach and increase our impact on the sustainability performance in chemical supply chains around the world, especially in Asia. Given the regulatory landscape, climate challenges and market conditions, the need for sustainable businesses only intensifies. TfS is the crucial enabler to make supply chains and businesses at large more sustainable and contribute to developing a better world."

TfS delivers a powerful and independent due diligence procedure in the supply chain. This enables a robust and consistent assessment of the sustainability performance of chemical suppliers and producers, and roadmap for improvements. As a result, chemical companies can build stronger, agile, and more sound supply chains to ensure continued sustainable operations.

Says **Martin Renner**, CPO **CABB** “Joining the initiative TfS is a milestone for CABB procurement. Being an active member of TfS allows us to continue and even intensify the expansion of our core values regarding ESG responsibilities within all our supply chains and towards our suppliers. We are also looking forward to actively contributing to the future journey within TfS and, together with the other 35 members, to the success of this important global initiative.”

“Mitsui & Co.'s corporate mission as defined in its Mission, Vision, Values (MVV) is to realise a better tomorrow for Earth and for people around the world and to "Build brighter futures, everywhere." Based on the MVV, we regard sustainability initiatives as essential to our way forward. Mitsui is pleased to be the first Japanese company to join TfS. We have a long tradition of producing and trading Chemicals globally. To bring the spirit of TfS to Asia and to bring the spirit of Asia to TfS is our aspiration.” says **Georg Büllesbach**, Executive Vice President of **Mitsui & Co.** Deutschland and Regional Head of Sustainable Supply Chain.

“We believe that purchasing is the ‘Value Creator’ for the company,” says **Yang Haiyun**, Chief Procurement Officer at **Sennics**. “Our purchasing strategy is to adopt centralised control and intelligent management, to shift the focus of management from transactional management to strategic management, and to improve our competitiveness in sustainable procurement management across the board. TfS is in line with our mission and vision. Joining TfS is out of our necessity to fulfil our social responsibility and drive the sustainable development of the chemical industry’s supply chain. We will take advantage of the TfS platform to improve our sustainability practices and interact with other industry players.”

About Together for Sustainability <https://tfs-initiative.com/>

A procurement-driven initiative, TfS delivers the framework with robust tools to increase the sustainability performance of chemical companies and their suppliers

TfS, a global, procurement-driven initiative, delivers a ground-breaking framework with robust tools – TfS Assessments and TfS Audits – to assess and improve the sustainability performance of chemical companies and their suppliers. The TfS program also includes scope 3 GHG emissions Product Carbon Footprint guideline and sharing solution and global capability building activities. TfS delivers the de facto global standard for environmental, social and governance performance of the chemical supply chains. The program is based on the UN Global Compact and Responsible Care® principles. TfS is a global organisation with regional members’ representation in Asia, North and South America. Operating as a unique member-driven organization, the TfS member companies shape the future of the chemical industry together.

Chemical supply chains for a better world.

Current TfS member companies are ADVANSIX, AKZONOBEL, ARCHROMA, ARKEMA, AZELIS, BASF, BAYER, BRENNTAG, CABB, CHEMOURS, CLARIANT, CRODA, CORTEVA, COVESTRO, DOW, DSM, EASTMAN, EVONIK, GIVAUDAN, HENKEL, ICL, IFF, KRATON, LANXESS, LYONDELLBASELL, MERCK, MITSUI, OMV, SEMPERIT, SENNICS, SIKA, SOLVAY, SYNGENTA, UPM, WACKER, and WANHUA.

TfS member companies represent a global turnover in the chemical industry of over €500billion and a global spend of over €300billion.

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About Cabb Group

The CABB Group is a leading Crop Science contract development and manufacturing organisation (CDMO), supplying customised active ingredients. CABB also offers high-complexity and high-purity chemical ingredients to customers in the Life Sciences and Performance Materials markets. The company operates six production sites in Pratteln (Switzerland), Kokkola (Finland), Galena (USA), Knapsack and Gersthofen (Germany), Jining (China). With around 1,100 employees, CABB recorded an annual turnover of about €590 million in the 2021 financial year.

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About Mitsui

Mitsui & Co., Ltd. (8031: JP) is a global trading and investment company with a diversified business portfolio that spans approximately 63 countries in Asia, Europe, North, Central & South America, The Middle East, Africa and Oceania.

Mitsui has about 5,600 employees and deploys talent around the globe to identify, develop, and grow businesses in collaboration with a global network of trusted partners. Mitsui has built a strong and diverse core business portfolio covering the Mineral and Metal Resources, Energy, Machinery and Infrastructure, and Chemicals industries.

Leveraging its strengths, Mitsui has further diversified beyond its core profit pillars to create multifaceted value in new areas, including innovative Energy Solutions, Healthcare & Nutrition and through a strategic focus on high-growth Asian markets. This strategy aims to derive growth opportunities by harnessing some of the world's main mega-trends: sustainability, health & wellness, digitalisation and the growing power of the consumer.

Mitsui has a long heritage in Asia, where it has established a diverse and strategic portfolio of businesses and partners that gives it a strong differentiating edge, provides exceptional access for all global partners to the world's fastest growing region and strengthens its international portfolio.

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About Sennics

Sennics Co., Ltd. ('Sennics') is a world's leading comprehensive service provider of polymer additives, a member of Sinochem International. Guided by the concept of 'In Science We Trust' and adhering to the innovative development concept on ultimate, sustainable growth, the company sets the 'Smart Sennics' strategy as the goal of its transformative development.

Located in the China (Shanghai) Pilot Free Trade Zone, Sennics holds multiple R&D centers and production facilities across the nation, with its main products consisting of rubber antioxidant, insoluble sulfur, rubber vulcanizing accelerator and nitrobenzene among others. Sennics operates in more than fifty countries and territories, and its extensive distribution network covers regions such as Europe, North America and Southeast Asia.

The company will continuously build upon its research and development projects and the HSE management system, in addition to strengthening cooperation with the upstream and downstream industries. Sennics strives to be a reliable, comprehensive teammate to business partners worldwide, setting an example of green development amongst global polymer additives industries.

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