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Dear colleagues,

As a follow up to our [announcement](#) in April, Gold Standard is pleased to now officially welcome our new leader. Margaret Kim takes over today as Gold Standard CEO. Margaret will build on [Gold Standard's strategy](#) and shepherd our [strategic initiatives and innovations](#) into their next phases of work.

Marion Verles is now officially CEO of Gold Standard's sister organisation [SustainCERT](#), the official certification body for Gold Standard for the Global Goals.

Gold Standard and SustainCERT share a common vision of 'climate security and sustainable development for all' and will work in close partnership to mainstream credible impact quantification in support of this vision. Gold Standard will focus on innovations and policy work to help raise ambition toward the Paris Agreement and the Sustainable Development Goals. SustainCERT will work to bring Gold Standard for the Global Goals and its impact quantification solutions to market.

The Gold Standard team and Board of Directors are grateful to Marion for more than four years of leadership. With support from partners like you, we were able to launch Gold Standard for the Global Goals, setting the bar for rigour and credibility in climate and development across a wide range of interventions — from carbon mitigation projects to supply chains and even impact investments. Gold Standard and SustainCERT will now work together to create user-centric, IT-based systems that reduce barriers and add value to credible impact quantification to drive adoption at a massive scale.

Please join us in welcoming Margaret Kim and stay tuned for more details on this transition and Gold Standard's strategic initiatives in the coming weeks.

Sincerely,

The Gold Standard team

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