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**YVO DE BOER JOINS GOLD STANDARD BOARD,**  
*Sustainable development in Article 6 + COP24 events*

## **Yvo de Boer joins Gold Standard Foundation Board as new President-elect**

### **A fond farewell—and warm welcome—from the President of our Board:**

As my term as President of the Gold Standard Board comes to a close, I reflect on the past eight years—the challenges we've faced and the opportunities that these challenges have created. This has culminated in the development and launch of Gold Standard for the Global Goals, which has the potential to catalyse action toward climate security and sustainable development at a massive scale.

What is clear is the importance of collaboration along the way. I'd therefore like to express my deepest thanks to our partners, project developers and NGO supporters. With your partnership and expertise, we have been able to deploy new solutions for credible impact quantification and certification in new contexts, including cities, corporate supply chains, and impact investing.

I am delighted at how far we have come. Yet we still have a great deal more to do. It is thus with great pleasure that I hand the reins to Yvo de Boer, the former Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). We also welcome to the board, Eric Soubeiran, Danone's Global Nature, Human Rights & Water Cycle Director. Together they bring a fresh perspective and a wealth of experience, knowledge and expertise in climate policies, market mechanisms, finance, corporate insights and sustainability.

It's been a privilege and an honour to have served this organisation. Thank you to my colleagues on the Board, to the Secretariat, and to all our stakeholders for your contributions to the Foundation, and for making this experience so rewarding. It is thanks to the work that you do, that we move ever closer to fulfilling our vision of climate security and sustainable development for all.

David Shelmerdine



**Yvo de Boer**, a Partner at SRI Executive, currently works with development agencies to ensure that their strategy and organisational structure are aligned with the challenges of the day. Prior to joining SRI Executive, Yvo served as Director-General of the Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI). He also worked as KPMG's Global Chairman of Climate Change & Sustainability Services and led the international process to respond to climate change in the role of Executive Secretary of the UNFCCC from 2006 to 2010.

Yvo received a knighthood from her Majesty the Queen of the Netherlands in 2009 and the Dutch Climate Award in 2010. In 2018, Yvo received the European Practitioner Achievement Award in Applying Environmental Economics.

**Eric Soubeiran** is Danone's Global Nature, Human Rights & Water Cycle Director, and member of its Cycles & Procurement Board. In this role, he is responsible for coordinating the company's approach and actions on climate change, water resource protection, regenerative agriculture, circular economy and human rights. Eric also serves as administrator of the Livelihoods Carbon Fund. Previously, he served as Danone's Global Nature & Senior Climate Director.



## Rooting sustainable development in Article 6

Provisions for sustainable development in Article 6 of the Paris Agreement are essential if we are to keep global temperature rises well below 2°C and meet the ambitions set out in the Sustainable Development Goals. In this pursuit, a series of "SD Dialogues" were hosted around the world, leading to the publication of [six policy briefs](#)>> in the fall of 2018.

Ahead of COP24, Gold Standard and UNEP-DTU are pleased to publish negotiating text recommendations to help ensure strong sustainable development provisions are included within Article 6, specifically in the cooperative approaches in Articles 6.2 and 6.4. These include:

- The use of 'shall' provisions for sustainable development requirements
- Minimum quality requirements for stakeholder consultations
- Second or Third party assessment of sustainable development contributions

In addition, the Dialogue recommends specific provisions for sustainable development assessments for 'Article 6.2 - Reporting', as well as further definition for 'Article 6.4 - Roles and responsibilities'.

[See the full summary on the process and recommendations>>](#)

For detailed text proposals developed by the Dialogue: [SD Dialogue - COP 24>>](#)



## **Seeking implementation partners for new programme to develop SDG Impact Tools**

We are pleased to announce a new programme: SDG Impact Tools Development. The objective is to create quantification and reporting tools tailored for different climate actions, with specific indicators linked to the Sustainable Development Goals, relevant and applicable by project type and sector. This will allow projects and their funders to transparently and credibly communicate about the benefits those actions bring to the global community.

We are looking for implementation partners to participate in phase II of this programme. Helping to co-develop the modules for specific project types and testing the new SDG tools in specific project contexts. Please register your interest at [platform@goldstandard.org](mailto:platform@goldstandard.org)>>

[SDG Impact Tool Development Programme Overview>>](#)



**COP24 · KATOWICE 2018**  
UNITED NATIONS CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE

## Gold Standard at COP24

Gold Standard will be on the ground at COP24 in Katowice, Poland, participating in a broad range of events covering the scope of our work – from future proofing carbon markets to operationalising sustainable development in Article 6 and the potential of blockchain technologies to climate action in supply chains.

To arrange a meeting, please contact [Sarah Leugers>>](#)

Our events are listed below. For more information, please visit our [website>>](#)

### WEEK ONE

#### BLOCKCHAIN FOR CORPORATE SUPPLY CHAINS

WWF Pavilion

Sunday 02 Dec 2018

15:00 - 16:30

#### VALUE CHANGE: CLIMATE-POSITIVE ACTION IN CORPORATE VALUE CHAINS

WWF Pavilion

Monday 03 Dec 2018

16:30 - 18:00

#### THE POWER OF BLOCKCHAIN FOR CLIMATE ACTION UNDER THE PARIS AGREEMENT

Room Warmia

Tuesday 04 Dec 2018

18:30 - 20:00

#### UNLEASHING THE POTENTIAL FOR CLIMATE MITIGATION AND ADAPTATION ACTION WITH BLOCKCHAIN TECHNOLOGY

EU Pavilion

Wednesday 05 Dec 2018

18:30 - 20:00

#### ENHANCING THE USE OF LAND USE IN CLIMATE MITIGATION AND ADAPTATION

EU Pavilion

Thursday 06 Dec 2018

14:30 - 16:00

#### 4th ICROA WORKSHOP ON INCREASED VOLUNTARY ACTION UNDER THE PARIS AGREEMENT

IETA Business Hub

Friday 07 Dec 2018

10:00 - 11:30

### WEEK TWO

#### EMERGING GUIDELINES FOR CORPORATE CLIMATE ACTION IN SUPPLY CHAINS

IETA Business Hub - by Mars

Monday 10 Dec 2018

9:30 - 11:00

#### BLOCKCHAIN TECHNOLOGY FOR ENHANCED CLIMATE ACTION

Room Pleniny

Monday 10 Dec 2018

11:30 - 13:00

#### SOLAR COOKER INTERNATIONAL (SCI) PRESS CONFERENCE

COP24 Venue

Monday 10 Dec 2018

14:00 - 14:30

#### CREATING VALUE FROM IMPACT CERTIFICATION OF INVESTMENTS IN CLIMATE ACTION

Luxembourg Pavilion

Wednesday 12 Dec 2018

11:00 - 13:00

#### WHY STRONG SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PROVISIONS ARE GOOD FOR MARKETS

IETA Pavilion

Wednesday 12 Dec 2018

14:00 - 15:30

#### 4 PER 1000 INITIATIVE: SOILS FOR FOOD SECURITY AND THE CLIMATE

University of Silesia

Thursday 13 Dec 2018

12:30 - 14:00

## EVENTS

### [Global Landscape Forum - Bonn 2018>>](#)

01-02 Dec 2018

### [COP24, Katowice, Poland>>](#)

03-14 Dec 2018

## IN THE NEWS

### [Curbing carbon emissions in company value chains](#)

Climate-KIC

### [Major corporates ready to do more on climate action and call for easier access to renewable energy](#)

RE-Source

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