

WEC NEWSLETTER – DECEMBER 2020

President & CEO Message

As I write this, encouraging reports on President-elect Joe Biden’s early cabinet picks and policy plans suggest that we are starting to turn the page on 2020 at last. The arrival of vaccines in 2021 and a new U.S. administration with a more disciplined approach to combatting the virus offer hope that, with shared effort and sacrifice, we can put this pandemic behind us. **Read the full message [here](#).**



WEC NEWS

WEC welcomes new members: Corteva

Member News

WEC welcomes to its membership, Anne Alonzo, Senior Vice President – External Affairs & Chief Sustainability Officer at Corteva as company representatives and its team.

Corteva Agriscience™ is the only major agriscience company completely dedicated to agriculture. By combining the strengths of DuPont Pioneer, DuPont Crop Protection and Dow AgroSciences, they've harnessed agriculture's brightest minds and expertise gained over two centuries of scientific achievement.



WEC Welcomes New Board Member: Eunice Heath, Corporate Director of Sustainability, Dow

Board News



WEC welcomes new Board Member, Eunice Heath, Corporate Director of Sustainability at Dow. WEC President & CEO, Glenn Prickett shared, "we're thrilled to have longtime member Dow represented on our board by a business and sustainability leader of Eunice's stature." Dow is a Founding Member of WEC and past winner of WEC's Gold Medal Award.

WEC Europe Welcomes New Supervisory Board Member and Elects New Chair

Board News



WEC Europe welcomes new Supervisory Board Member & elects new chair. The Board expressed great appreciation to the outgoing Supervisory Board members, Lorraine Francourt and Rupert Thomas, for their tremendous support and leadership over the years. The Board has selected Graham Lane, Managing Partner, Central Europe & Eurasia (ERM) to serve as Board Chair.

Read the full press release [here](#).

WEC Welcomes New Jury Members

WEC Gold Medal Award

WEC Jury Welcomes New Jury Members



Rajesh Chhabara
Managing Director,
CSRWorks International (Singapore)

Dan Esty
Hillhouse Professor
Yale University (USA)

Catriona Schmolke, FREng
Senior VP for the Operational Centers of
Excellence
Jacobs (retired)
Non-Executive Director portfolio
(United Kingdom)

The World Environment Center's (WEC) is honored to have three new members join this unique group of sustainability leaders, which independently selects the recipient of the annual WEC Gold Medal Award for International Achievement in Sustainable Development winner each year. The jury represent leaders from academia, civil society, and the private sector.

WEC expressed great appreciation to the outgoing Jury member, Dr. Robert W. Slater, Adjunct Professor in Environmental Policy at Carleton University and the President of Coleman, Bright and

Associates, for his tremendous support to WEC over the decades and serving as a member of the Jury. **Read more about the Jurors [here](#).**

2021 WEC Gold Medal Award Call for Nominations

WEC Gold Medal Award



CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: **OPEN**

37TH ANNUAL

WEC GOLD MEDAL AWARD for International Achievement in
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Submit nominations by
Tuesday, January 26, 2021

WEC

Nominations are now being accepted for the World Environment Center's (WEC) 2021 Gold Medal for International Corporate Achievement in Sustainable Development. The Gold Medal Award is presented annually to a global company that demonstrates deep, organization-wide commitment to sustainability in its business practice and beyond.

Submissions of the 2021 WEC Gold Medal Award Nomination Form must be **received by Tuesday, January 26, 2021**. Self-nominations are welcome. WEC membership is not required as a criterion for submitting a nomination nor for receiving the award. Once a nomination is accepted, nominated company will be requested to submit a full application by January 19, 2021

To learn more about the process click [here](#) and to nominate a company fill out a form [here](#).

WEC EVENTS

Ford Motor Company received the WEC's 2020 Gold Medal Award on December 15, 2020

WEC Gold Medal Award



The World Environment Center (WEC) honored the Ford Motor Company by awarding it the 36th annual Gold Medal for International Corporate Achievement in Sustainable Development. Due to the global pandemic, WEC held a virtual presentation on December 15, 2020. Bob Holycross, Ford's Chief Sustainability, Environment and Safety Officer, joined the event to accept the award.

WEC and all those in attendance were honored to have Congresswoman Debbie Dingell, representing Michigan's 12th Congressional District, present the award through a pre-recorded message and Ford's President and Chief Executive Officer, Jim Farley, accept on behalf of the company, celebrating its outstanding work in sustainability through a recorded message. **Read the full announcement & links to video messages can be found [here](#).**

WEC Executive Roundtable on the Future of Sustainable Mobility

WEC Gold Medal Award

The Ford Motor Company, the winner of this year’s Gold Medal Award for International Leadership in Sustainable Development, has made a visionary commitment to a future of sustainable mobility through its leadership in electric vehicles, alternative fuels, energy efficiency, and clean production.



On the occasion of awarding the Gold Medal to Ford Motor Company, the World Environment Center held an Executive Roundtable on the Future of Sustainable Mobility to learn from leaders in these sectors about their efforts to drive systems change in transportation and discuss further efforts required in the years ahead. [Read the Event Summary here.](#)

WEC INTERVIEW WITH GEORG KELL



Recently, Glenn Prickett, WEC’s President & CEO sat down to speak with the Chairman of one of its members, Arabesque Partners, Georg Kell. Georg has a new book that he has co-edited with others on the topic of sustainable investing. Glenn & Georg had an in-depth discussion about the book that provides a framework on ESG investing and about the need for leadership and collaboration for change to happen. **Watch the video or read the full transcript [here.](#)**

WEC hosted Exec Roundtable on Decarbonizing the Business – Achieving Carbon Neutrality in Line with Scientific Recommendations

WEC Thought Leadership

With a clear business case for decarbonization in mind, hundreds of major global companies have already committed to reach net-zero emissions between 2030 and 2050. WEC brought together senior executives from 27 global companies in 10 countries to discuss practical ways to reach this goal. [Read the summary here.](#)



WEC & Partners host first Panel session of its Virtual Training & Study Tour

Capacity Building

Under WEC’s State Dept funded Environmental Governance project, in partnership with, Royal Scientific Society of Jordan, Driss Zakarya, WEC wrapped Virtual Training & Study Tour in Morocco & Jordan. WEC hosted special guest speakers from Fresnillo, Jordan Engineers Association, Associate Professor Dr. Weslyne Ashton, PhD (Illinois Institute of Technology), CGEM Confédération Générale des Entreprises du Maroc, Cleaner Production Center Guatemala (Fundación Centro Guatemalteco de Producción más Limpia), NuCycle, University of Florida, Africa Climate Solutions, and other Energy experts.

UPCOMING EVENTS



<p>Jan 27 - 28 Virtual Event Executive Roundtable: The Future of ESG Investment: How International Standards & Modern Data Analytics Integrate ESG in Mainstream Investment and Create the New Normal Roundtable – Open to WEC Global Members</p>	<p>February 17-18, 2021 Virtual Event Executive Roundtable: How Companies are Addressing Labor and other Human Rights Risks in their Supply Chains Roundtable – Open to WEC Global Members</p>
<p>June 9, 2021 Virtual Event 37th WEC Gold Medal Award Presentation Open to WEC Global Members & invited guests</p>	<p>June 10, 2021 Virtual Event WEC Executive Roundtable Open to WEC Global Members & invited guests</p>

IN THE PIPELINE



<p>March 2021 Virtual Event Roundtable: Strategies to Implement Sustainable Agriculture from Farm to Fork Open to WEC Global Members & Invited guests</p>	<p>May 2021 Virtual Event La Red Annual Summit Closing event for La Red project Funded by US Dept of State</p>
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