S&P Global Joins Climate Bonds Initiative Partners Program

NEW YORK and LONDON, May 23, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- S&P Global (NYSE: SPGI) has expanded its strategic relationship with the Climate Bonds Initiative by joining the Climate Bonds Partner Program.

S&P Dow Jones Indices, a division of S&P Global, became a member of the Climate Bonds Initiative Partner Program in 2014. This decision means that all of the company's divisions including S&P Global Ratings, S&P Global Market Intelligence and S&P Global Platts are now represented in the program.

Current Climate Bonds Initiative partners also include banks, bond issuers, developers, NGOs and institutional investors.

"We are excited to enhance our partnership with the Climate Bonds Initiative to advance the green bond market by bringing a deeper level of insight, data and analysis to sustainable investing," said Courtney Geduldig, Executive Vice President, Public Affairs, S&P Global. "As this market continues to evolve and grow, investors will need independent and transparent research to help them make informed decisions – this is where S&P Global comes in."

Sean Kidney, CEO Climate Bonds Initiative:

"We have worked with S&P Dow Jones Indices for several years and have observed the increasing prominence being given by S&P Global to the risks and opportunities related to climate change."

"In April 2017, S&P Global Ratings announced the launch of its Green Evaluations, a tool to measure sustainability at the asset level. In November 2016, S&P Global Ratings also published a sustainable investment report, providing essential insights into the fast-growing green bond market."

"Both our organisations are committed to expanding green finance opportunities to address climate change and contribute to international emissions reduction goals," said Sean Kidney CEO Climate Bonds Initiative. "Having S&P Global as our partner allows us to deepen our relationship and build a new levels of cooperation to advance the development of transparent, harmonised global green bonds markets."

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About Climate Bonds Initiative: The Climate Bonds Initiative is an investor-focused not-for-profit, promoting large-scale investment in the low-carbon economy.

It undertakes advocacy and outreach to inform and stimulate the market, provides policy models and government advice, market data and analysis and administers an international Standards & Certification Scheme for green bonds.

For more information, please visit www.climatebonds.net.

Climate Bonds Partners Program: Banks, institutional investors, non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and governments are eligible to join as Climate Bond Partners to help grow a market of green and climate bonds. Partners assist in developing initiatives to grow investment in climate finance solutions and participate in different market development and information.

Partners assist in developing initiatives to grow investment in climate finance solutions, participate in different market development committees & help define policy agendas for sector, country & sub-national programs. A list of Partners is available here.

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