

Syensqo introduces new environment and community fund

The Syensqo Fund will support philanthropic initiatives aimed at improving conditions for people and protecting the planet – in line with the company’s commitment to have a positive impact on the world.

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The launch of the new [Syensqo Fund](#) underscores the company's dedication to having a positive impact on society and the environment, paving the way for a more sustainable and hopeful future.

The Fund will champion a broad range of causes worldwide that align with Syensqo's philanthropic vision, including protecting the planet, nurturing innovation, fostering education and promoting community solidarity. The Fund will also extend a helping hand to Syensqo employees experiencing hardship.

“The launch of the Syensqo Fund is a manifestation of our commitment to advancing humanity and addressing the challenges facing our world today. For us, it marks a new era of impactful philanthropy, deeply rooted in our commitment to corporate citizenship, which goes back to our humanist founder Ernest Solvay. Our mission is to perpetuate our legacy of meaningful impact, driving progress and inspiring hope, and securing a brighter future for all,” said Ilham Kadri, CEO of Syensqo.

Christian Jourquin, Chairman of the Syensqo Fund, stated: “It is a privilege to lead the Syensqo Fund, which plays a crucial role in Syensqo’s philanthropic endeavors, supporting initiatives like the Ernest Solvay Prize, which celebrates groundbreaking scientific

achievements, and the [Sustainable Guar Initiative](#), which significantly improves the lives of guar bean farmers in Rajasthan, India.”

Administration of the Syensqo Fund has been entrusted to the [King Baudouin Foundation](#) (KBF), renowned for its expertise and integrity in managing philanthropic funds.

“Our partnership with Syensqo demonstrates our shared values and dedication to social impact. We manage the Syensqo Fund to ensure contributions are used effectively for the greatest societal benefit,” said Stefan Schäfers, Chief Programme Officer of the King Baudouin Foundation.

Governance of the Syensqo Fund is provided by an Evaluation Committee and a Management Committee, which includes:

- **Ilham Kadri**, CEO of Syensqo
- **Christian Jourquin**, former CEO of Solvay (Chairman)
- **Peter Piot**, Director, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine
- **Stefan Schäfers**, Chief Programme Officer of the King Baudouin Foundation
- **Nathalie van Ypersele**, Chief Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Officer and SVP Communication & Public Affairs at Syensqo

About Syensqo

Syensqo is a science company developing groundbreaking solutions that enhance the way we live, work, travel and play. Inspired by the scientific councils which Ernest Solvay initiated in 1911, we bring great minds together to push the limits of science and innovation for the benefit of our customers, with a diverse, global team of more than 13,000 associates in 30 countries.

Our solutions contribute to safer, cleaner, and more sustainable products found in homes, food and consumer goods, planes, cars, batteries, smart devices and health care applications. Our innovation power enables us to deliver on the ambition of a circular economy and explore breakthrough technologies that advance humanity.

Learn more at www.syensqo.com.

About Syensqo Fund

The Syensqo fund is Syensqo’s philanthropic vehicle, rooted in our corporate citizenship mindset. The Syensqo Fund, in partnership with King Baudouin Foundation, creates lasting positive change by supporting initiatives across four core pillars: Protecting the Planet, Nurturing Innovation, Fostering Education, and Supporting Solidarity. The fund commits to safeguarding the environment through sustainable practices, driving forward groundbreaking innovations, empowering communities

through education, and fostering a culture of solidarity and support for those in need, with the objective to build a better, more equitable world for present and future generations.

Learn more at <https://fund.syensqo.com/>

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