



# MINUTES GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2021

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## 1. Milestones from the past year

In 2021, the Solar Impulse Foundation's biggest achievement was to reach the mark of 1000 Labelled Solutions in April.

In parallel with the labeling process, the Foundation doubled down on its commitment to work with public and private stakeholders on the implementation of clean technologies. We welcomed new partners, such as Adeo and Holcim, with which we launched "Innovation Challenges" to create business opportunities for Labeled Solutions; we have also established collaborations with new governments and actively participated in the COP26; we revealed two investment funds in partnership with BNP Paribas, Rothschild & Co and Air Liquide; and we organized e-pitches to help our solutions raise money...

Overall, it has been a busy year for the Foundation. And 2022 will be no different!

### Key figures from this year (all numbers are from January 1<sup>st</sup> 2022):

- +4'000 World Alliance for Efficient Solutions Members from 90 countries and more than a 1000 represented cities
- 432 Efficient Solutions Labelled
- 369 experts
- 20+ world renowned entities endorsing the World Alliance for Efficient Solutions (The World Bank, World Economic Forum, European Commission, UN Environment...) [Check the full list here](#)
- 680 articles around #Beyond1000Solutions (including Forbes, Le Figaro etc.) and over 10 mentioning the Solar Impulse Foundation
- 15 Partners today (Air France, Adeo, Air Liquide, Breitling, BNP Paribas, Covestro, Engie, LVMH, MovinOn, Michelin Corporate Foundation, Schlumberger, Schneider Electric Foundation, Solvay, Soprema, Deutsche Telekom)



## **2. Words from Bertrand Piccard - What's next for the World Alliance for Efficient Solutions**

Dear Friends of the World Alliance,

2021 has been an incredible year for all of us.

We have found, assessed, and labeled over 1300 clean and profitable Solutions, which we have presented to government and business leaders at the UN Climate Change Conference in Glasgow. We have also launched the Solutions Explorer – an online search engine for climate action. And of course, we continue to assess all the new solutions submitted to the Solar Impulse Foundation.

Moreover, we have been able to expand our network and build numerous partnerships with public and private sector organisations. The World Alliance now assembles over 4000 Members, making it one of the world's biggest groups of organisations and companies committed to building a more sustainable, resilient and just society.

We must now also put our efforts into making our Alliance an even more active community. Amongst us, there are investors looking for investment opportunities, corporates in the search for solutions to support their sustainability targets, public authorities who want to implement technologies for their constituents, and of course, innovators who want to scale their climate and environmental solutions.

In 2022, let's take this community further and leverage the amazing power of our network by working together and creating strong synergies between us.

Help us to make this possible! Thank you so much.

Sincerely,

Bertrand Piccard, Chairman of the Solar Impulse Foundation



## **3. Minutes of the 2021 General Assembly of the World Alliance for Efficient Solutions**

### **3.1 Preamble**

For the fourth year, the General Assembly was conducted through circulation.

It was addressed to all Founding and voting members of the World Alliance and was intended to update them on:

- The current status of the World Alliance for Efficient Solutions
- The milestones achieved over the past year
- To receive from founding and voting members the approval of new members joining the World Alliance for Efficient Solutions (members up to November 1<sup>st</sup> 2020)
- To receive from founding members the approval of the minutes of the 2020 General Assembly

#### **Timeline:**

The first email was sent on the 27<sup>th</sup> of January 2022. The deadline for the Founding and voting members to give their approval was fixed on the 10<sup>th</sup> of February 2022, with a reminder sent on the 1<sup>st</sup> of February 2021.



## **3.2 Endorsement of the minutes of the 2020 General Assembly**

### **Results of the votes:**

By simple majority, the World Alliance for Efficient Solutions has approved, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of February 2022, the minutes of the 2020 General Assembly, which was held last year on the 16<sup>th</sup> of December 2019.

## **3.3 Approval of new members of the World Alliance for Efficient Solutions**

Founding and voting members of the World Alliance for Efficient Solutions were also invited to approve the membership of **new members that have joined since the last General Assembly**. For this year's, founding and voting members had to approve the list of companies **that have joined from the 1<sup>st</sup> of November 2020 until the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2022, which contained 822 companies**.

The membership to the World Alliance remained provisional until approved by Founding and voting members.

As a Founding member or voting member, they had the right to either:

1. Approve all new members
2. Refuse the approval of one or more new members by providing the name of the company followed by the reason why they did not want to validate the membership

*Note: Non-response to the email was taken as an approval of all new members.*

### **Results of the vote:**

All Founding Members and all new members approved since the last General Assembly, were noticed on the 27<sup>th</sup> of January 2021 by email and had 2 weeks to approve or not the membership of the new members.

We received a total of 22 answers, all of which were in favour of the approval of the list of new members of the World Alliance for Efficient Solutions.



1 Voting Member expressed doubts on 1 company concerning its credibility. Against a simple majority of the votes to approve, such objection was not sufficient to refuse the membership of the innovator in question.

2'838 did not respond to the email, therefore it was taken as an approval of all members from their part.

**822 new members were officially approved by simple majority as members of the World Alliance for Efficient Solutions. Taking into account the recently officially approved members, Founding Members and the Foundation Partners, the total number of members of the World Alliance for Efficient Solutions on the 1<sup>st</sup> of January, 2022 is 3'660 members.**

