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Concordiste Strategic Consulting Joins the Growing List of Verifiers under the Global Climate Bonds Standard

Vienna/London, 12/10/2023 17:00 CEST — Climate Bonds Initiative is pleased to announce that Concordiste Strategic Consulting has become an approved verifier under the Climate Bonds Standard. The Global Climate Bonds Standard that is in line with EU Taxonomy, will help Concordiste's new status as an Approved Verifier in driving green finance initiatives not only in the home country of Austria but also throughout the wider European region.

Concordiste, headquartered in Vienna, Austria, is a leading firm in sustainable finance consulting, strategy, and organisational development. The firm has a notable presence across emerging markets in Europe and Central Asia, providing high-quality, tailored solutions in a competitive industry landscape. Concordiste's focus on green, social, and sustainability-linked bonds has made them a key partner to international financial institutions and corporate clients.

In a statement about the achievement, **Honorata Fijalka**, **CEO and founder of Concordiste** remarked, "Joining the ranks of approved verifiers is not just an accolade for Concordiste; it's a testament to our unwavering commitment to facilitating a greener, more sustainable future. Together with the Climate Bonds Initiative, we aim to elevate standards and inspire confidence in green investments."

"We are thrilled to welcome Concordiste as an approved verifier under our globally-recognised Climate Bonds Standard. The European Union is currently the world's largest market for green finance. For Concordiste, this accreditation not only symbolises a commitment to rigorous, internationally-accepted standards but also opens up significant opportunities for furthering green finance initiatives in Austria and the wider region," said Sean Kidney, CEO of Climate Bonds Initiative.

With this new accreditation, Concordiste is poised to significantly contribute to the growth and integrity of the burgeoning green bonds market in Austria and the European Union. Their verification capabilities will enable more issuers to qualify for Climate Bonds Certification, thereby increasing the pace of transition to a low-carbon and climate-resilient economy.

The collaboration between Climate Bonds Initiative and Concordiste is a strategic step towards channelling more investments into sustainable projects and amplifying positive environmental impacts. It's an indication of the collaborative power of international partnerships in accelerating the global transition to a sustainable and resilient future.



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Note to Editors: High-resolution images and interviews are available upon request.

About Concordiste

Concordiste Strategic Consulting is a pioneering firm headquartered in Vienna, Austria, specialising in sustainable finance consulting, strategy, and organisational development. With a diversified client base across emerging markets in Europe and Central Asia, Concordiste is at the forefront of delivering tailored, high-quality solutions that are shaping a brighter, more environmentally responsible future for all. For more information, visit Website.

About Climate Bonds Initiative:

An investor-focused not-for-profit, promoting large-scale investment in the low-carbon economy, Climate Bonds Initiative carries out market analysis, policy research, market development; advises governments and regulators; and administers a global Climate Bonds Standard & Certification Scheme. To learn more about the Climate Bonds Taxonomy, Certification Scheme, and its alignment with the EU Taxonomy, visit website.

<u>Climate Bonds Standard and Certification</u> is an overarching science-based, multi-sector certification scheme for investments – and now entities – that address the challenge of climate change and are consistent with the goals of the Paris Climate Agreement.

The full Climate Bonds Database of Certified issuance can be found here.

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