

South Pole Group clinches award for Best Project Developer for the fifth consecutive year

Zurich, 17 June, 2015 - For the fifth consecutive time, **South Pole Group** has been ranked as **Best Project Developer** in the **2015 Environmental Finance Voluntary Carbon Market Rankings**. This prestigious peer-voted award recognises the Group's results-based approach to projects that both protect the environment and improve the lives of local communities.

"We work with both private and public sector clients and partners. We believe collaboration is key in finding the best solutions that work for both the planet and the people. We are greatly honoured by this award. For us, it is a sign that our partners support and recognise our unique approach," says Renat Heuberger, CEO at South Pole Group. "We believe it's all about initiating real, measurable action on the ground."

Having put in significant effort in developing GoldPower, the world's first global renewable energy label, voters also awarded South Pole Group the title of Best Project Developer in renewable energy and energy efficiency. Delivering on a full spectrum of sustainability services, South Pole Group has further expanded its offering to include high-quality renewable energy certificates (RECs), I-RECS, Green-e Energy certified US RECs and Guarantees of Origin.

"A key challenge for today's companies when consuming electricity is the difficulty of tracing the source of power - whether it was produced using renewables or fossil fuels and nuclear," says Natalia Gorina, Sales Director Carbon & Renewables at South Pole Group. "We want to provide our customers with premium RECs that both support new renewable energy projects and help to better engage with stakeholders."

Starting off in 2006 as a project-driven company focused on high-quality carbon credits, South Pole Group has over the years become one of the leading providers of climate solutions. Expertise now covers the key sustainability-related areas of climate change, forests and land use, water, sustainable cities and buildings, as well as renewable energy and energy efficiency. With offices spanning the entire globe, the Group ensures that its solutions create shared value at the crossroads of the environment, local communities, public policy initiatives, corporate operations, and civil society. The survey's outcome reflects a growing trust in versatile and flexible carbon market players who are on a mission to address climate change issues more fully.

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About South Pole Group

South Pole Group is a privately owned sustainability solutions provider with proven impact and solid experience on the ground. Since its inception in 2006, the company headquartered in Zurich has grown very rapidly. South Pole Group now operates with offices across the globe. South Pole Group is the world's biggest developer of emission reduction projects. Initially a project-driven company focused on developing and selling high-quality carbon credits, South Pole Group has become one of the leading providers of climate solutions to both public and private entities. The company offers a wide spectrum of sustainability services, including climate policy and strategy advisory. Its expertise covers the key sustainability-related areas of climate change, forests and land use, water, sustainable cities and buildings, as well as renewable energy and energy efficiency.