

yourSRI supports Montreal Carbon Pledge helping Investors Carbon Footprint their Portfolios

Vaduz / London, 7th October 2014 – yourSRI, the leading platform for responsible investing, officially supports the Montreal Carbon Pledge which was launched at the PRI's annual conference, "PRI in Person", in Montreal, and commits investors to measure and publicly disclose the carbon footprint of their investment portfolios.

yourSRI, a wholly-owned subsidiary of CSSP AG, is the leading database and research engine for responsible investment products and services. The platform was established three years ago and, after a recent overhaul, has become a "one stop-solution" for financial and extra-financial information providing a wide range of search, comparison, assessment and screening functions. yourSRI offers an integrated approach for responsible investing, ESG (environmental, social and governance) factors and carbon data solutions. The database provides global coverage for several thousand companies, investment products and research documents as well as a broad variety of reports and surveys. The platform contains all large and midcap constituents of the *MSCI ACWI (All Country World Index).*

At the *PRI in Person* conference in Montreal, PRI and its partners, including yourSRI, launched the *Montreal Carbon Pledge* and engaged with investors to commit them to carbon footprinting. A growing number of investors, including *Etablissement du Régime Additionnel de la Fonction Publique (ERAFP)*, *AP4, London Pensions Fund Authority (LPFA) and VicSuper*, have already taken steps to measure the carbon footprint of their investments. Seventy-eight per cent of the largest 500 publicly listed companies now report their carbon emissions.

By signing the *Montreal Carbon Pledge*, investors will measure and publicly disclose the carbon footprint of their investment portfolios on an annual basis. Overseen by the PRI, the *Montreal Carbon Pledge* aims to attract US \$500 billion of portfolio commitment in time for the *United Nations Climate Change Conference in December 2015*. The PRI, supported by yourSRI and South Pole Carbon, has established an online portal where investors can endorse the *Montreal Carbon Pledge*. Available at www.montrealpledge.org, the portal will let investors report the size of their portfolio carbon footprint commitment, and any associated carbon reduction targets. The first five investors who commit to the Montreal Carbon Pledge receive complimentary access to the *Portfolio Carbon Screener*.

"We are proud to launch the *Montreal Carbon Pledge*, a commitment by investors to translate climate talk into walk," said Fiona Reynolds, Managing Director of the Principles for Responsible Investment. "The first step to managing the long-term investment risks associated with climate change and carbon regulation is to measure them, and this initiative sets a clear path forward." "There is a growing demand to report on carbon data and to establish reliable portfolio carbon measurement tools," explained Christoph Dreher, one of the two Managing Directors at CSSP AG / yourSRI. "With the help of our innovative ESG and carbon screening solutions investors are now able to understand and reduce their carbon footprint and exposure. They can compare a fund's carbon performance versus the sector and optimize their carbon portfolio by adjusting their sector benchmark profile on a dynamic level," concluded Oliver Oehri, the second Managing Director at CSSP / yourSRI.

For more information, please visit: <u>www.yoursri.com</u> | <u>www.montrealpledge.org</u>



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