

Media release

Patrick Odier nominated as President of Swiss Sustainable Finance

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The Board of Swiss Sustainable Finance (SSF) is nominating Patrick Odier as President of the Association. His appointment will be submitted to the General Assembly on 22 June 2021 for approval.

On completing the statutory six-year term of office, Jean-Daniel Gerber will step down from his role as SSF President in June 2021. The SSF Board is nominating Patrick Odier as his successor and will put this proposal to the vote at the next members' General Assembly. Patrick Odier is a highly experienced candidate with deep roots in, and thorough knowledge of, the Swiss financial industry and the key sustainability concerns. "I am delighted that we have been able to put forward such a visionary, experienced and well-connected candidate as Patrick Odier as SSF President," comments Jean-Daniel Gerber, who as current President has played a pivotal role since 2015 in the development of the successful and rapidly growing association for sustainable finance.

"I am honoured to have been nominated as SSF President by the SSF Board. Working together with around 170 members across the sectors of banking, insurance, pension funds and other financial services, SSF is engaged in strengthening the position of Switzerland as a leading financial centre for sustainable finance. I am keen to become actively involved and accelerate this important transformation process, to ensure we remain at the forefront in this essential sphere," says Patrick Odier, commenting on his nomination.

The General Assembly of SSF members will be held on 22 June 2021 in Bern.

CV of Patrick Odier, Senior Managing Partner, Lombard Odier Group

Patrick Odier has been Chairman of the Board of Directors of Bank Lombard Odier & Co Ltd. since January 1st, 2014, and he has been Senior Managing Partner of the Lombard Odier Group since July 1st, 2008.

He joined the Lombard Odier Group in 1982 and completed his training in Zurich, New York, and Montreal, before becoming a Managing Partner in 1986. He holds an economics degree from the University of Geneva and an MBA in finance from the University of Chicago.

Patrick Odier was Chairman of the Swiss Bankers Association from 2009 to 2016. He is member of the Board of *economiesuisse* (Swiss Business Federation). He is also a board member of several Swiss and international academic institutions and philanthropic organisations.

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Swiss Sustainable Finance (SSF) strengthens the position of Switzerland in the global marketplace for sustainable finance by informing, educating and catalysing growth. The association, founded in 2014, has representative offices in Zurich, Geneva and Lugano. Currently SSF unites around 170 members and network partners from financial service providers, investors, universities and business schools, public-sector entities and other interested organisations. An overview of Swiss Sustainable Finance's current members and network partners can be found [here](#).