

Prestigious CDP A List Identifies Six South African Companies as Global Leaders

Johannesburg, 8 December 2020 – Leading companies are taking crucial steps towards financially quantifying their exposure to climate risks by identifying and measuring the value of the economic, social and environmental contexts opportunities available to them.

This year six South African companies have made it onto the CDP A-list 2020. CDP is a not-for-profit charity that runs the global disclosure system for investors, companies, cities, states and regions to manage their environmental impacts.

The world's economy looks to CDP as the gold standard of environmental reporting with the richest and most comprehensive dataset on corporate and city action.

CDP's annual environmental disclosure and scoring process is widely recognized as the gold standard of corporate environmental transparency.

In 2020, over 515 investors with over US\$106 trillion in assets and 150+ major purchasers with US\$4 trillion in procurement spend, requested companies to disclose data on environmental impacts, risks and opportunities through CDP's platform. Over 9,600 responded – the highest ever.

South African companies taking the lead are demonstrating not only good governance but are taking transparent action to mitigate these risks, realise the opportunities and building climate resilient and sustainable companies going forward.

South Africa's A list companies include:

1. Anglo American Platinum (Double A-lister: CDP Climate and CDP Water Security)
2. Clicks Group Ltd. (A-list for CDP Climate)
3. Gold Fields Limited (A-list for CDP Water Security)
4. Impala Platinum Holdings (A-list for CDP Water Security)
5. Mondi PLC (Triple A-lister for CDP Climate, CDP Water Security and CDP Forests)
6. Nedbank (A-list for CDP Climate)

The National Business Initiative (NBI), the local partner to CDP, has assisted companies with their disclosures through CDP since 2008. Steve Nicholls (Head: Environmental Sustainability) says: "It is exceptional to see so many A-listers emerge in a time when business competitiveness is increasingly driven by international and local climate policy."

A detailed and independent methodology is used by CDP to assess these companies, allocating a score of A to D based on the comprehensiveness of disclosure, awareness and management of environmental risks and demonstration of best practices associated with environmental leadership, such as setting ambitious and meaningful targets. Those that do not disclose or provided insufficient information are marked with an F.

Paul Simpson, CEO of CDP, says: "We extend our congratulations to all the companies on this year's A List. Taking the lead on environmental transparency and action is one of the most important steps businesses can make and is even more impressive in this challenging year marked by COVID-19. The scale of the risk to businesses from climate change, deforestation and water insecurity is enormous, and we know the opportunities of action far outweigh the risks of inaction. Leadership from the private sector will create an 'ambition loop' for greater government action and ensure that global ambitions for a net zero sustainable economy become a reality. Our A List celebrates those

companies who are preparing themselves to excel in the economy of the future by taking action today.”

The full list of companies that made this year’s CDP A List is available here, along with other publicly available company scores: <https://www.cdp.net/en/companies/companies-scores>

About the NBI

The National Business Initiative (NBI) is a voluntary coalition of companies, working for the past 25 years towards a resilient and inclusive economy, building trust to enable implementation and enhancing the capacity of their stakeholders to participate in economic and social transformation. The NBI’s membership includes a significant proportion of the country’s leading listed companies, a number of the major state-owned enterprises and a variety of medium-sized firms. Since their inception in 1995, the NBI has made a distinct impact in the spheres of climate change, water, energy efficiency, local economic development, public sector capacity building, further education and training, public private partnerships and more recently in the social transformation sphere.

About CDP

CDP is a global non-profit that drives companies and governments to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions, safeguard water resources and protect forests. Voted number one climate research provider by investors and working with institutional investors with assets of US\$106 trillion, we leverage investor and buyer power to motivate companies to disclose and manage their environmental impacts. Over 9,600 companies with over 50% of global market capitalization disclosed environmental data through CDP in 2020. This is in addition to the hundreds of cities, states and regions who have disclosed, making CDP’s platform one of the richest sources of information globally on how companies and governments are driving environmental change. CDP is a founding member of the We Mean Business Coalition. Visit <https://cdp.net/en> or follow us @CDP to find out more.