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RepRisk Provides ESG Data for the Global 100 Ranking Launched at the World Economic Forum

RepRisk Continues Collaboration with Corporate Knights Capital by Providing ESG Data for Most
Sustainable Corporations Ranking

DAVOS, SWITZERLAND – **January 22, 2015** – Today at the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland, 100 companies were named in the <u>Global 100</u> Most Sustainable Corporations in the World ("Global 100"), an annual ranking and sustainability equity index managed by Corporate Knights Capital. This year's ranking includes dynamic environmental, social and governance (ESG) data provided by RepRisk, a leading provider of business intelligence on ESG risks, which was used for the <u>sanctions</u> portion of the screening process.

RepRisk's involvement in the 2015 Global 100 represents a continuation of an existing partnership with Corporate Knights Capital. Last year, the partners collaborated on the 2014 Newsweek Green Rankings.

Launched in 2005, the Global 100 utilizes a data-driven approach to score companies on a percent-rank basis against their global industry peers. With a focus on transparency, companies are scored on a list of twelve quantitative key performance indicators that range from energy and water use, to employee compensation and corporate tax strategy.

"The Global 100 is considered to be more akin to a financial index than a traditional sustainability index, as the indicators are quantitative, clearly-defined and rules-based. RepRisk's approach to ESG risk data is equally robust and systematic." said Toby Heaps, CEO of Corporate Knights Capital. "In addition, RepRisk's data is dynamic, so we are ensuring that we have timely information for our analysis."

"We are honored to provide dynamic data for the Global 100 and we are as equally excited to expand our collaboration with Corporate Knights Capital through this important ranking," said Alexandra Mihailescu Cichon, Head of Business Development and Marketing at RepRisk. "We believe that ESG risk analysis and metrics play an important role in the assessment of company performance."

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About Corporate Knights Capital and the Global 100

Corporate Knights Capital is an investment advisory and research firm based in Toronto, Canada, with over a decade of experience quantifying corporate sustainability. Corporate Knights Capital's parent, Corporate Knights, Inc., publishes the world's largest circulating responsible business magazine, and serves as the secretariat for the Council for Clean Capitalism. It is a global leader in building investment strategies that integrate high quality corporate sustainability data. Corporate Knights Capital is a certified B Corporation and a proud signatory of the United Nations Principles for Responsible Investment.

The Global 100 Most Sustainable Corporations in the World (the Global 100) is the world's pre-eminent sustainability equity index. It is maintained by Corporate Knights, a Toronto-based media and investment advisory company. The media arm publishes Corporate Knights Magazine, the world's largest circulating magazine focused on responsible business. The investment advisory arm, Corporate Knights Capital, builds indexing solutions and market-beating portfolios for institutional clients.

The Global 100 is calculated by Solactive, the German index provider. It is available on Bloomberg under the ticker < CKG100 Index> and on Reuters under the ticker < CKG100>.

About RepRisk

RepRisk is a leading business intelligence provider specializing in dynamic environmental, social and governance (ESG) risk analytics and metrics.

Daily, RepRisk systematically screens big data from a broad range of open intelligence sources in 14 languages in order to identify, filter, analyze and quantify ESG risks (such as environmental degradation, human rights abuses and corruption) related to companies, projects, sectors and countries. This external perspective provides valuable insight on whether a company's policies, processes and commitments are consistently translating into performance.

Since 2006, RepRisk has built and continues to grow the most comprehensive ESG risk database that serves as a due diligence tool and early warning system in risk management, compliance, investment management, corporate benchmarking and supplier risk. The database currently includes risk profiles for over 48,000 public and private companies and 11,000 projects as well as for every sector and country in the world.

Headquartered in Zurich, Switzerland, RepRisk serves clients worldwide including global banks, insurance companies, investment managers, and corporates, helping them to manage and mitigate ESG and reputational risks in day-to-day business.

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