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Assurance, Data Provider, and Sustainable Investing Experts Elected to SASB's Governing Board

SAN FRANCISCO, December 17, 2020—The SASB Foundation today announced the appointment of Michelle Collins, Michael Jantzi, and Roy Swan to its [Board of Directors](#). The SASB Foundation Board oversees the strategy, finances, and operations of the organization, appoints members of the [SASB Standards Board](#), and provides oversight of the Standards Board's due process.

"The ESG data ecosystem has a broad range of participants, many of whom we work with to develop the SASB Standards," says Robert K. Steel, Chair of the SASB Foundation Board of Directors and Chairman of Perella Weinberg Partners. "We value having a Board that represents this diverse ecosystem of preparers and users of ESG data. It is an honor to welcome Michelle Collins, Michael Jantzi, and Roy Swan to the SASB Foundation Board."

Michelle Collins, Audit & Assurance Partner at Deloitte & Touche LLP, has more than 30 years of professional experience serving many of Deloitte's largest global automotive and manufacturing clients. She is currently a member of Deloitte's US Board of Directors and serves as the chair of the finance and audit committee and member of the governance committee.

"The capital markets need a system for sustainability accounting that has the commensurate level of maturity, trust, and reliability as financial accounting," says Collins. "By serving on the SASB Foundation Board of Directors, I look forward to supporting the advancement of sustainability accounting standards."

Michael Jantzi is CEO of Sustainalytics, a Morningstar company and leading global provider of ESG research, ratings, and data. Active in the sustainable investment field since 1990, Michael was the founder of Jantzi Research and successfully led the 2009 merger that created Sustainalytics. He is a recognized thought leader on ESG investing and sustainable finance.

"ESG research and ratings providers are a key component of the ESG data ecosystem. To provide the most actionable insights to investors, we need reliable, comparable, and financially material data. Through my role on the SASB Foundation Board of Directors, I hope to be a catalyst for progress for this globally," says Michael Jantzi.

Roy Swan, Director of Mission Investments at the Ford Foundation, is responsible for the foundation's \$1.35 billion commitment to impact investments and grants globally. Before joining Ford, Roy served as managing director and co-head of Global Sustainable Finance at Morgan Stanley. Over the course of his career, Roy has worked in corporate law at Skadden Arps, investment banking at The First Boston Corporation, Salomon Brothers, and JPMorgan, and finance at Time Warner.

"At the Ford Foundation, we regularly see that the lack of comparable and reliable ESG data is an obstacle for institutional investors seeking to understand the social and environmental performance of their investments. I look forward to serving on the SASB Board and to advancing corporate disclosure on the world's most pressing environmental and societal challenges," says Roy Swan.



About SASB

The Sustainability Accounting Standards Board (SASB) connects businesses and investors on the financial impacts of sustainability. SASB Standards enable businesses around the world to identify, manage, and communicate financially material sustainability information to investors. SASB Standards are industry-specific and are designed to be decision-useful for investors and cost-effective for companies. They are developed using a process that is evidence based and market informed. To download any of the 77 industry-specific standards, or learn more about SASB, please visit [SASB.org](https://sasb.org).

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