

### Sustainable Stock Exchanges









#### **SSE Q4 Webinar**

**Gender Equality: A conversation** 

11th March 2021: 9AM and 4PM CET (Geneva)

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### Agenda – Call 1



- 1. Housekeeping Issues & SSE Opening Remarks
- UN SSE Research: G20 Exchanges and their Issuers' Board Diversity
- 3. Gender Equality A Conversation with:

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Laura Whitcombe (Campaign Coordinator, 30% Club)

**Elizabeth Johnstone** (Chair of the ASX Corporate Governance Council)

Shameela Soobramoney (Chief Sustainability Officer, JSE)

Jan Volkmann (Head of Talent Attraction & Development bei Deutsche Börse)

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Waithera Mwai-Ireri (Head of Enterprise Innovation and Project Management, NSE)

Sara Lovisolo (Group Sustainability Manager, Borsa Italiana)

Loty R. Salazar (IFC's Women on Boards & in Business Leadership)

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# Over 100 Exchanges Ring the Bell for Gender Equality



For the 7<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, exchanges have been ringing the bell to bring attention to the pivotal role the private sector can play in advancing gender equality

# Ring the Bell for Gender Equality













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### **Gender Equality on Corporate Boards**

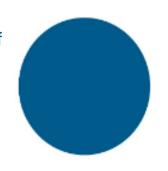


An analysis of 2,200 issuers on 22 stock exchanges in G20 countries

Women hold **20%** of board seats in G20 markets.



Women hold just **5.5%** of Chair and **3.5%** of CEO positions in G20 markets





6 out of 22 markets have rules requiring a mandatory minimum number of women on corporate boards



### **Gender Equality on Corporate Boards**



	Stock Exchange	% of Women on Board	Mandatory Minimun Rule for Women on Boards			% of Women	% of Women
	(top 100 issues by market capitalization)		Rule	% Women	Number Women	Chair	CEO
1	Euronext Paris	44.3	Yes	40ª		2	5 -
2	Borsa Italiana	37.5	Yes	33 <sup>b</sup>		13	5
3	London Stock Exchange (LSE)	36.2	No			5	5
4	Deutsche Börse (DB)	32.5	Yes	30°		4	2
5	Australian Securities Exchange (ASX)	32.3	No			14	8
6	New York Stock Exchange (NYSE)	30.4	No			9	8
7	Toronto Stock Exchange (TSX)	30.2	No	d		9	4
8	Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE)	28.5	No			11	2
9	NASDAQ	27.8	Yes		1 <sup>e</sup>	3	5
	G20 Average	20.2				5.5	3.5
10	Shenzhen Stock Exchange (SZSE)	17.3	No			5	11 .
11	National Stock Exchange of India (NSE) / Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) <sup>f</sup>	16.8	Yes		1 <sup>9</sup>	7	4
12	Borsa Istanbul	14.9	No		h	6	3
13	Hong Kong Exchange (HKEX)	13.6	No			7	5
14	A Bolsa do Brazil (B3)	12.1	No			5	1
15	Japan Exchange Group (JPX)	11.9	No			1	0
16	Bolsas y Mercados Argentinos (BYMA)	10.8	No			2	1
17	Moscow Exchange (MOEX)	10.6	No			3	0
18	Shanghai Stock Exchange (SSE)	10.3	No			3	2
19	Indonesia Stock Exchange (IDX)	10.3	No			9	3
20	Bolsa Mexicana de Valores (BMV)	7.8	No			2	1
21	South Korea Stock Exchange (KRX)	7.4	Yes		1 <sup>i</sup>	1	2
22	The Saudi Stock Exchange Tadawul	1.2	No			1	1

**Euronext Paris** has highest percentage of women on boards (44.3%) of all G20 markets.

**Johannesburg Stock Exchange** has the best gender balance on boards (28.5%) of any developing country in the G20.

**Shenzhen Stock Exchange** has the most female CEOs (11 out of the top 100 companies) of any G20 market.

**Australian Stock Exchange** has the most female Chairs (14 out of top 100 companies).

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Source: Bloomberg and UN SSE





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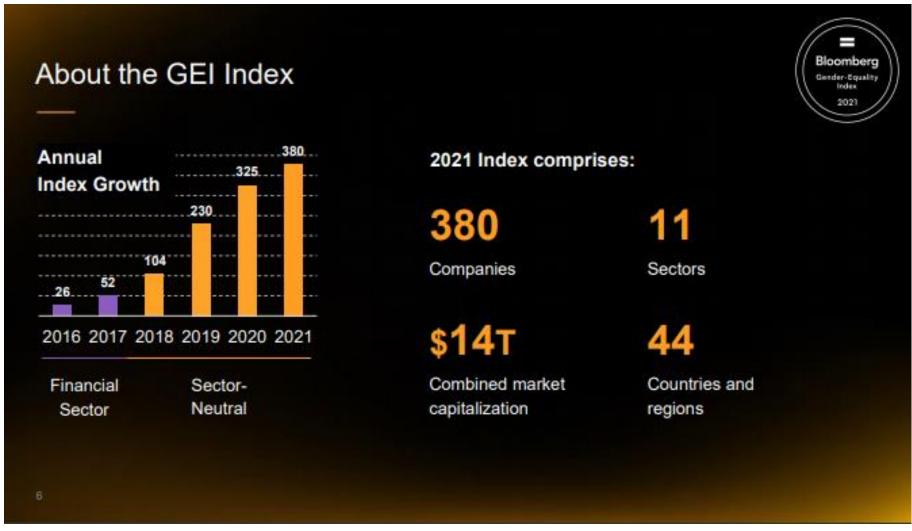


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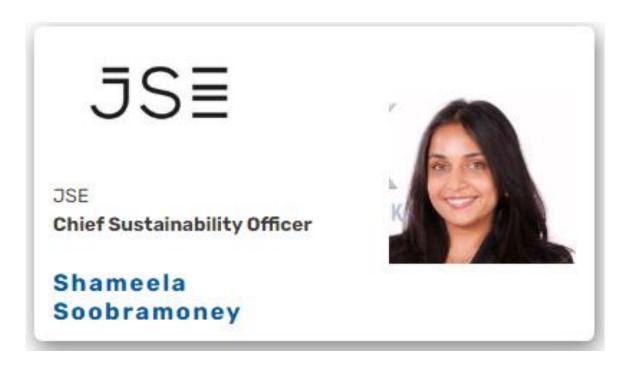


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JSE Listing Rules, page 50, section (i) reads as follows:

"the board of directors or the nomination committee, as the case may be, must have a policy on the promotion of broader diversity at board level, specifically focusing on the promotion of the diversity attributes of gender, race, culture, age, field of knowledge, skills and experience. The issuer must confirm this by reporting to shareholders in its annual report on how the board of directors or the nomination committee, as the case may be, have considered and applied the policy of broad diversity in the nomination and appointment of directors. If applicable, the board of directors or the nomination committee must explain why any of the above diversity indicators have not been applied and further report progress in respect thereof on agreed voluntary targets;"

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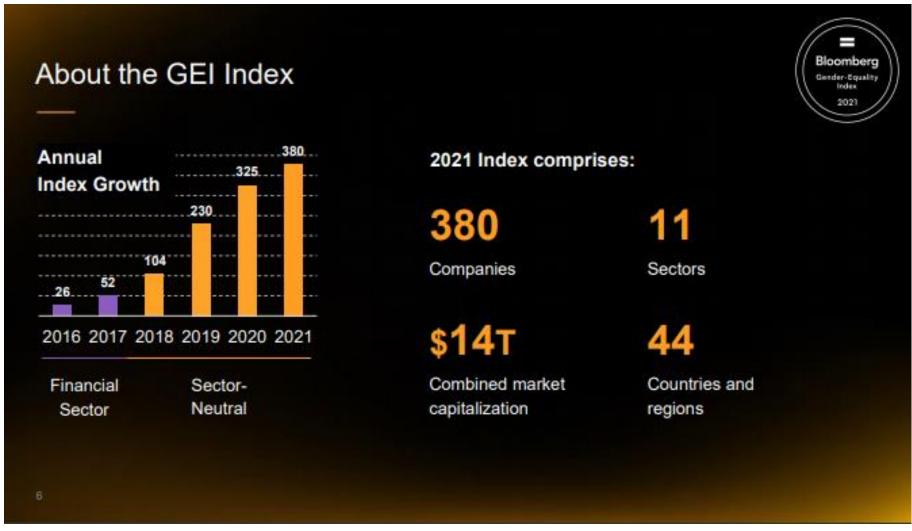


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#### A snapshot of the situation today

- 36% of board members are women
- 72% of the women on boards are independent board members
- 25 companies have a woman chairing the board, a 33% share in terms of market cap
- Only 15 CEOs are women, a 2.5% share in terms of market cap

Source: CONSOB; 2020

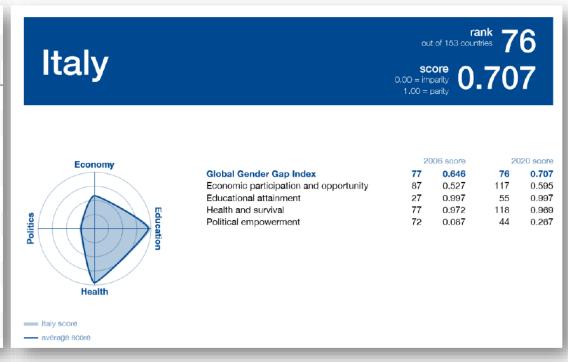
This is the result of national legislation passed in 2011 setting mandatory pink quotas, gradually ratcheted up.



#### Capital Markets trail blazing on SDG5



	boards of directors						
	female directorship <sup>1</sup>						
	number	weight <sup>2</sup>					
2010	182	6.8					
2011	193	7.4					
2012	288	11.6					
2013	421	17.8					
2014	521	22.7					
2015	622	27.6					
2016	701	31.6					
2017	760	33.6					
2018	812	36.0					
2019	807	36.4					



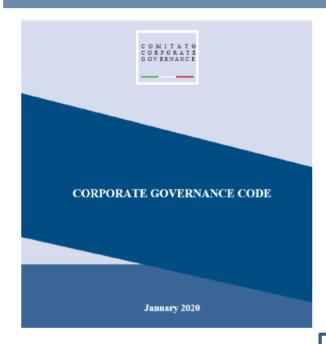
Source: CONSOB; 2020 Source: WEF, 2020

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#### What can an exchange do?



The Italian CG Code promoted by Borsa Italiana hard wires the quotas (theoretically time bound).



We partner with the leading gender diversity membership organisation in Italy to empower women in our business and on the market, through education and capacity building.

#### Walk the talk

**36**% female representation in the workforce **45**% female representation in top management

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We are in the process of updating the database, so please do share with us any updated ESG documents and factsheets.



SSE Climate Disclosure Advisory Group: draft 2 of new climate disclosure model guidance coming at the beginning of Q2. This will be the final public consultation.



Launch of the derivatives exchanges guidance in April. New partnerships with derivatives exchanges.





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