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## **Bekaert partners with Chapter Zero Brussels**

Bekaert is proud to announce its partnership with Chapter Zero Brussels, the Belgian chapter of the Climate Governance initiative in collaboration with the World Economic Forum.

As we progress on our sustainability ambition to create a better tomorrow, we also seek opportunities to expand our impact through partnerships. The collaboration with Chapter Zero Brussels underpins the importance of knowledge and awareness sharing in the fight against climate change.

'We all have the responsibility to tackle climate change. This drove us to define targets that are based on the latest climate science and help to create a sustainable future in the longer term. By making a positive impact with our sustainable solutions and practices, Bekaert is determined to improve life and create value for all stakeholders. We are excited about our partnership with Chapter Zero Brussels that will enable us to share our ambition and exchange best practices with other members of Chapter Zero Brussels as the climate journey of every company starts in the boardroom', **Ann-Françoise Versele, VP Sustainability.** 

'Right from our very first interactions with Bekaert's Board, we felt that Bekaert had an interesting experience and useful insights to share as to their sustainability journey and climate governance. Bekaert adds value to our network by sharing their lessons learned and a testimony as to how they went about embedding sustainability within their governance structures and overall corporate strategy. We are proud to form this partnership with Bekaert and are grateful for their support in helping us achieve our mission of Bringing Climate on Board', **Natacha Lippens, Chair of the Board of Chapter Zero Brussels.** 

## **About Bekaert**

Bekaert's ambition is to be the leading partner for shaping the way we live and move, and to always do this in a way that is safe, smart, and sustainable. As a global market and technology leader in material science of steel wire transformation and coating technologies, Bekaert also applies its expertise beyond steel to create new solutions with innovative materials and services for markets including new mobility, low-carbon construction, and green energy. Founded in 1880, with its headquarters in Belgium, Bekaert (Euronext Brussels, BEKB) is a global company whose 27 000 employees worldwide together generated close to € 7 billion in combined revenue in 2022.

## **Bekaert sustainability strategy**

From making a positive impact with its sustainable solutions and practices, to building a diverse and inclusive future, Bekaert is determined to improve life and create value for all stakeholders. Bekaert delivers on its sustainability strategy by developing and offering sustainable solutions, using materials and energy responsibly, conducting the highest business ethics standards, improving health and safety at the workplace, and engaging employees and business partners throughout the supply chain. By investing in renewable energy, Bekaert contributes to reaching emission reduction targets and accelerating the energy transition that is required to reduce the impacts of climate change.

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