

## Media Release

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### Publication of ESG Report

- SFP Ltd is GRESB Investor Member since April 2021
- UNPRI Report issued in spring 2021
- CO<sub>2</sub> reduction paths with various scenarios
- Target of net zero by 2050

**The Swiss Finance & Property Group (SFP Group) is publishing its second ESG Report today. After publishing its first report last year and signing up to the UNPRI in 2019, this year the SFP Group has focused even more on additional, internationally recognised certifications and the structural planning of its CO<sub>2</sub> reduction paths.**

#### Analyses and findings

The general public has become more aware of the issue of sustainable financial products, and demand for them has grown.

As a financial service provider, the SFP Group has a strong interest in standardising the evaluation of climate-related financial risks. In the longer term, the SFP Group wants to make it easier to compare the assessments of the financial products it manages, in keeping with the requirements of the EU taxonomy, by introducing uniform criteria.

In the case of direct real estate investments, the focus is on reducing energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions, as well as increasing the use of energy from renewable sources. Last year, the SFP Group conducted a survey of the consumption patterns of its directly held properties, and used the energy data as a basis for defining a CO<sub>2</sub> reduction path for each investment vehicle.

#### Progress and achieved goals

Establishing regulatory standards for sustainability in the financial sector leads to dealing with investments more transparently.

In spring 2021, the SFP Group submitted its first UNPRI Report, which is structured on the basis of the United Nations' "Principles for Responsible Investment". Swiss Finance & Property Ltd itself is a GRESB Investor Member since April 2021.

## **Commitments and outlook**

By the year 2030, the SFP Group is aiming to halve the greenhouse gas emissions of its directly held properties in comparison to 2019, and continuously reduce its energy consumption.

Specifically, this means

- halving greenhouse gas emissions and intensity in comparison to the baseline year of 2019 (figures at the end of 2020: 16,803 tCO<sub>2</sub>, 20.2 kgCO<sub>2</sub>/m<sup>2</sup>; slight reduction compared to 2019)
- reducing energy consumption and intensity in comparison to the baseline year of 2019 (figures at the end of 2020: 82,421 MWh, 99.0 kWh/m<sup>2</sup>; slight reduction compared to 2019)
- investing in renewable energy sources

The sustainability strategy is also constantly evolving, and the associated processes are being professionalised. Furthermore, in 2022 the company will carry out its first GRESB report for the direct property vehicles that it manages. The target of net zero is also to be achieved by the year 2050.

The SFP Group's 101\* employees are helping to create a secure, innovative and inspiring work environment. Diversity is still being promoted at all levels and actively put into practice across the board.

\* As of 31 August 2021

For more information, please visit our website at <https://www.sfp.ch/en/sfp-group/sustainability-1>.

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