PRESS RELEASE - worldsteel announces the 2023 Steel Sustainability Champions

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The World Steel Association (worldsteel) has recognised 10 companies as <u>Steel Sustainability Champions</u> for their work in 2022. Now in its sixth year, the Steel Sustainability Champions Programme commends those worldsteel members that are most clearly demonstrating their commitment and action to sustainable development through their involvement in worldsteel sustainability activities.



The 2023 Steel Sustainability Champions are:

- ArcelorMittal
- HBIS Group Co., Ltd.
- HYUNDAI Steel Company
- JFE Steel Corporation
- JSW Steel Limited
- Nippon Steel Corporation
- POSCO Holdings
- Tata Steel
- Tenaris
- Ternium



Recognised for the sixth consecutive year this year, Tata Steel and Tenaris have been Champions every year since the programme launch in 2018. HBIS Group Co., Ltd. in China and HYUNDAI Steel Company in South Korea are recognised for the first time this year. In the programme's first year worldsteel recognised only six members, so we are pleased to see a steady increase in the number of members qualifying for our most demanding sustainability recognition.

All members must do the following to be recognised as Sustainability Champions:

- Sign the <u>worldsteel Sustainability Charter</u>. Provide evidence of meeting the 20 criteria covering the fields of environment, social, governance and economics (ESGE).
- Provide Life Cycle Inventory (LCI) data to worldsteel's data collection programme. The data for LCI should cover more than 60% of the company's crude steel production and should be less than 5 years old.
- Be shortlisted in one of the 6 categories of the worldsteel <u>Steelie Awards</u> or be recognised in the <u>worldsteel Safety and Health Recognition Programme</u>. The Steelie categories are: Excellence in low-carbon steel production, Innovation of the year, Excellence in sustainability, Excellence in Life Cycle Assessment, Excellence in education and training, and Excellence in communications programmes.

Champions are presented with certificates at the April Special General Meeting (SGM) of the Board of Members. Photographs are available here.

More information on worldsteel's sustainability initiatives is available here.

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Notes

• The World Steel Association (worldsteel) is one of the largest and most dynamic industry associations in the world, with members in every major steel-producing country. worldsteel represents steel producers, national and regional steel industry associations, and steel research institutes. Members represent around 85% of global steel production.

