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2020 Timeline



January 26

Senior executives create a global steering committee to address the growing threat of COVID-19.



January 27

A COVID-19 working group is established. Composed of over 40 employees across the globe, the working group provides updates and offers solutions to senior leadership.

January 28

S&P Global leadership establishes an inbox dedicated solely to employee questions regarding COVID-19, which goes on to average 600 questions a month. S&P Global also launches a COVID-19 Topic web page.

January 28

S&P Global creates an employee COVID-19 microsite.



February 24

Platts Platform launches, providing customers realtime, digitized, highly interactive data on commodities and energies markets.

February 26

S&P Global establishes medical town halls for employees to ask questions and receive information about COVID-19.

March 4

S&P Global suspends all non-essential business travel.

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March 9

S&P DJI introduces the GSCI Carbon Emission Allowances (EUA) EUR, the first index giving investors in the carbon market a reliable benchmark.



March 10

Leadership provides employees with a global technology subsidy to accommodate a work-from-home environment.



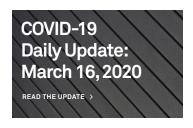
March 11

S&P Global retains Dr. Steve Lerman to advise the COVID-19 Steering Committee.



March 13

S&P Global closes offices and seamlessly transitions 23,000 people to working from home.



March 16

S&P Global begins issuing daily COVID-19 updates on our website.

March 18

S&P Global focuses on the well-being of our people and expands benefits, such as increasing global care leave to six weeks and minimum sick leave to two weeks.

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March 23

S&P Global announces that research and reports related to COVID-19 will be available for free on our website.



March 23

CEO Doug Peterson issues S&P Global's response to COVID-19.



March 24

The S&P Global Foundation commits \$2 million to support COVID-19 relief efforts.

April 2

S&P Global Market Intelligence announces free access to Panjiva's Supply Chain Intelligence for state and local governments and hospitals to help track PPE and ventilator supply chains.



April 14

The S&P Global Foundation announces a donation of another \$2 million to COVID-19 relief efforts.

April 20

S&P DJI launches the Paris-Aligned & Climate Transition (PACT) Indices, which provides investors with data to help them align investments with sustainability-based goals.

April 22

S&P DJI and BlackRock officially create a new, sustainable version of S&P 500 for BlackRock's platform, iShares.

April 23

Chief People Officer Dimitra Manis establishes the return-to-office working group.

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April 28

S&P Global celebrates its fourth anniversary.



April 28

S&P Global reports a 14% quarterly revenue increase (Q1 2020).



May 14

S&P Global launches the Work from Home Promise, a people-first commitment to care for ourselves and one another as COVID-19 forces remote work.

May 18

S&P Global releases the first S&P ESG scores using SAM CSA data for over 7,300 companies.

May 27

S&P Global Market Intelligence introduces Marketplace, a new data platform that provides seamless access for customers to explore, discover and evaluate data sets from all S&P Global divisions.

June 1

S&P Global Leadership establishes Courageous Conversations to develop a greater understanding of racism and effect change.



June 4

CEO Doug Peterson publishes a statement on affecting change amidst racial injustice, promising increased funding for D&I and ERGs, increasing D&I employees and training, donating to racial justice and equity nonprofits, and having Courageous Conversations with employees.

June 4

The S&P Global Foundation Board approves \$1 million in grants to the ACLU, Center for Policing Equity, Color Of Change, Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, and NAACP Legal Defense Fund in order to help fight racism and inequality.

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June 9

S&P Global Ratings launches the Green Financing Framework Alignment Opinions, providing framework alignment opinions with the Green Bond Principles and Green Loan Principles.



June 18

S&P Global hosts a Courageous Conversations event with anti-racism activist Jane Elliott.



June 19

On Juneteenth, CEO Doug Peterson encourages S&P Global employees in the United States to take time to learn about and reflect on racism and racial injustice.

June 19

The Financial Times lists S&P Global as a top 100 company that prospered during the pandemic.



June 23

Platts releases the Carbon Emissions Playbook, an interactive charting tool that maps carbon dioxide emissions from 1900-2040 and across various regions and industries.



June 25

Platts releases Platts American GulfCoast Select, a new benchmark for U.S. crude oil.



July 13

S&P Global Market Intelligence launches the China Credit Analytics Platform.

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July 16

S&P Global employees who 3D printed and donated over 1,000 face shields to healthcare workers virtually ring the NYSE Honorary Closing Bell.



July 23

S&P Global hosts a session with Ashley McGirt, MSW, who shares best practices for coping and healing from racial trauma as well as dealing with microaggressions in the workplace.



July 28

S&P Global reports a 14% quarterly revenue increase (Q2 2020).

July 28

S&P Global reports that the productivity program announced in 2018 exceeded its \$100 million target, achieving \$120 million in productivity savings.

August 3

With the addition of oil fundamental content to the Platts Developer Portal, customers can now access commodity markets, fundamentals and analytics instantaneously.



August 17

S&P Global launches a partnership with Arianna Huffington and Thrive Global with a two-day webinar hosted by Huffington to promote wellness and stress reduction.

August 19

S&P Global establishes an internal working group to help shape how we will function in the future. The disruption caused by the pandemic created an opportunity for us to reimagine where we work and how we work together.

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September 2

S&P Global stock closing price hits \$378.41, an all-time high.

September 14

S&P Global Platts hosts the 36th Asia Pacific Petroleum (APPEC 2020) Virtual Conference, one of many major events shifted to a digital format to ensure continuing access to critical insights.

September 16

S&P Global announces \$20,000 donation to help fight hunger in Charlottesville, Virginia. In 2020, the S&P Global Foundation goes on to make nearly \$11 million in contributions to support organizations in line with COVID-19 relief, racial and gender equality, social justice and economic inclusion, STEM education, and environmental sustainability.

September 21

CEO Doug Peterson is one of more than 1,000 leaders to sign the United Nations Statement from Business Leaders for Renewed Global Cooperation.



September 22

S&P Global participates in Climate Week NYC.



October 27

S&P Global reports a 9% quarterly revenue increase (Q3 2020).



November 30

S&P Global announces a definitive merger agreement with IHS Markit, the largest merger on Wall Street in 2020.

December 9

Newsweek recognizes S&P Global as one of America's Most Responsible Companies for the second consecutive year.

December 17

S&P Global announces that we joined #10000BlackInterns, an initiative in the U.K. to offer paid internships to young Black people across many fields.