



ANNUAL REPORT

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September 2019

STSA 

Swiss Trading & Shipping Association
Association Suisse du Négoce & du Transport Maritime
Schweizer Verein des Rohstoffhandels & des Schiffstransportes
Associazione Svizzera del Commercio & del Trasporto Marittimo



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Foreword of the President & Secretary General

What were your feelings on the last year?

Ramon Esteve:

Our activity is thriving but continues to face challenges from institutions that do not understand our “raison d’être”. STSA has been actively working on explaining and communicating about our activity, but more is necessary.

Our educational programmes remain in high demand. We need to continue these efforts and find more partner institutions. Engaging and retaining the next generation of talent is crucial to our activity.

Stéphane Graber:

The past year has been very busy for the Association, with the ongoing discussion on the Responsible Business Initiative (RBI), and the publication of the Guidance for the implementation of the UN Guiding Principles (UNGPs) on Business and Human Rights. The search for a counterproposal that can be supported by all stakeholders and that can provide a practical solution for companies with respect to business and human rights has been a key focus. Already it has paid off, with Dick Marty, Co-President of the RBI Committee, declaring in a recent radio debate that STSA members demonstrated exemplary behaviour.

This year also marked the success of the Corporate Tax Reform. After more than 10 years of public discussions, to which the STSA Tax Committee significantly contributed, Switzerland now has an up-to-date tax system that is in line with today’s expectations and offers our members legal certainty and a competitive system for corporate taxation.

What have been the main achievements of the Association this year?

Ramon Esteve:

Our communication efforts in Bern and in the cantons regarding the Tax Reform have been effective. With regards to RBI, our industry has assisted the elaboration of a workable counterproposal, but unfortunately it is not perceived as such by many of our peers in the business world taking an “all or nothing” approach, with no search for a reasonable compromise to what is partially a misinformed perception of our activity. Since the time of the Phoenicians, trade has created trust among nations and fostered the exchange of ideas which brings about innovation. Free trade has done more to create prosperity in the world in these last 40 years than any other endeavour in the history of humanity.

The issuance of the Guidance on the implementation of the UNGPs after years of dialogue with all stakeholders has been a very innovative step taken by our members and one of the major achievements of the Association this year.

Apart from that, our membership has evolved. Not only do we have many new members, but all are now convinced of the necessity for more open communication. After all, there are plenty of achievements we can be proud of.

Stéphane Graber:

The Association has managed to gain visibility and recognition at a national level, so that STSA will no longer be a local Association based in Geneva representing only a few companies, but rather a renowned and competent expert at the national level for all political and economic discussions around the procurement of commodities.

These achievements came with the professionalism of the organisation and will be reinforced with the launch of the new local chapters. This allows STSA to be truly national, and at the same time close to its members.



Ramon Esteve - President

What are the main challenges for the year to come?

Ramon Esteve:

The never-ending pressure from NGOs for the need of more regulation is unnecessary and costly. Our activity is already regulated by sector and any new cost would invariably move down our supply chains and impact the ultimate consumer without any added benefit. Another challenge is the increasing cost of doing business, primarily due to the heightened due diligence demanded from banks. This is hurting access to credit for smaller players, who make up a large part of our industry.

I am not fearful of artificial intelligence or robotics. Nevertheless, there is a digital transformation taking place in our activity that companies are perhaps not fully accompanying. The ABCCD Platform, Forcefield, Komgo, TRAFEC and VAKT are clearly a huge innovation in this regard.

The promotion of the UNGPs to all STSA members and beyond is one of our priorities and we welcome the number of steps already successfully adopted by several members.

Stéphane Graber:

A challenge will be to continue to better serve our members, from micro-enterprises to market leaders, and to find innovative solutions to support and maintain the diversity of our industry. In an increasingly fragmented world, STSA is committed to further promoting a level



Stéphane Graber - Secretary General

playing field. This includes ensuring that new regulations are adapted to the activity and do not hinder companies in performing an activity that is at the heart of all economic activities of the world.

If you had one wish for the future of the Association, what would it be?

Ramon Esteve:

The commodity trading activity is global, and at some point we will have to look beyond the borders of Switzerland and seek cooperation with associations and participants in our business worldwide. We all face the same issues and all want a level playing field. But maybe before this, we have to successfully incorporate potential members beyond the opposite bank of the Sarine.

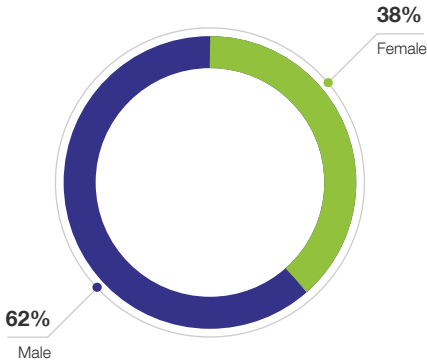
Furthermore, I still have the hope that Switzerland will one day have its own development bank - after all, traders are the best vector for development.

Stéphane Graber:

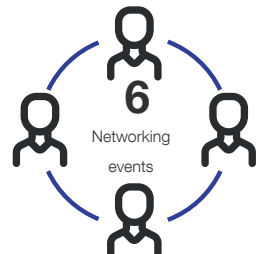
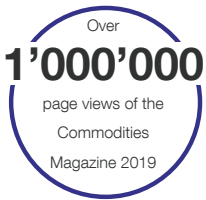
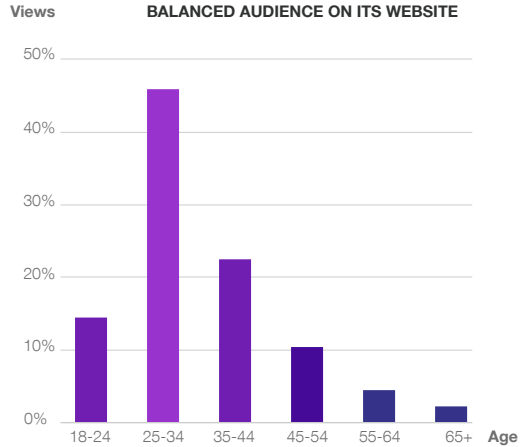
Here I would like to quote our President and wish that the “Swiss population understands the importance of the commodity trading activity and is proud to host such a complex activity performed with integrity in Switzerland”. We should all be proud of the journey and achievements of commodity traders over the last ten years, as perfectly illustrated by STSA.

The Association in Numbers

GENDER DISTRIBUTION OF STSA WEBSITE VISITORS



STSA ADDRESSES A YOUNG AND BALANCED AUDIENCE ON ITS WEBSITE



Mission, Core Values & Organisational Structure

As a national umbrella Association, STSA's mission is to provide an inclusive platform of exchange for all companies active in the commodity trading with the aim to support their activities, to represent its members' interests in Switzerland, to train young graduates and professionals, and to promote the understanding of the activity within the general public.

CORE VALUES



Diversity

Advocating diversity within the industry and beyond.



Transparency

Developing honest and fact-based communications as stated in our Code of Conduct.



Knowledge

Promoting evidence-based knowledge and ensuring a constant pool of cutting edge talents.



Stakeholder Engagement

Engaging with all industry stakeholders to ensure policies favourable to the business environment and to host communities.



Sustainability

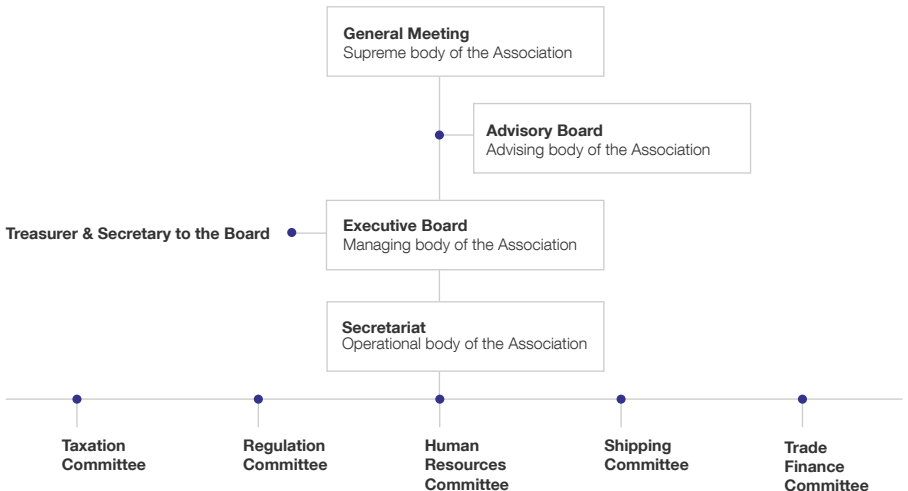
Contributing to more sustainable value chains by driving best practices.



Neutrality

Bringing together all actors and commodity classes.

ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE



Executive Board & Bureau

MEMBERS OF THE BUREAU

The Bureau represents the Executive Board in supporting the daily operations of the Secretariat.



Ramon Esteve
President (since 10.01.19)
ECOM Agroindustrial Corp. Ltd.



David Fransen
President (from 19.12.13 until 10.01.19)
Vitol SA



Jean-Pierre Carles
Vice-President
Augusta Energy SA



Hans Christian Jensen
Vice-President
ADM International Sàrl



Stéphane Graber
Secretary General

OTHER STSA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS



Gert-Jan van den Akker
Cargill International SA



Alexa Aponte Vago
MSC Mediterranean Shipping Company SA



Gérard Delsad
Vitol SA
(since 25.06.19)



Martin Fasser
Zug Commodity Association



Pierre Glauser
CA Indosuez (Switzerland) SA



Daniel Jaeggi
Mercuria Energy Trading SA



Nicolas Matter
Walter Matter SA



Pedro Nonay
Louis Dreyfus Company Suisse SA



Thomas Patrick
Lugano Commodity Trading Association



Nicolas Tamari
Sucafina SA



Alexandre Vassiltchikov
ING Belgium Brussels, Geneva Branch

THE STSA EXECUTIVE BOARD IS SUPPORTED BY



Christophe Bellino
Treasurer



Caroline Clemetson
Secretary to the Board

The STSA Secretariat, at the Members' Service

MEMBERS OF THE STSA SECRETARIAT



Stéphane Graber
Secretary General



Sylviane Chatelain
Education & Training Manager



Nina Eggert
Corporate Social Responsibility Officer



Tiziana Rizzo
Team Support Officer



Andrea Scarozza
Communication Support Officer
(since 01.11.19)



Andrea Tang
Regulatory Affairs Officer

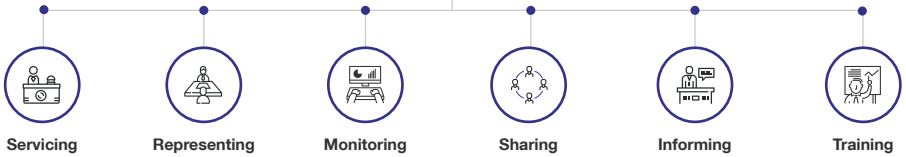


Jana Ruwayha
Business Communication Officer
(Intern - until 31.01.19)



Tim Straub
Business Communication Officer
(Intern - since 01.02.19)

STSA SECRETARIAT ACTIVITIES



Members of eGTSA (an STSA Platform)



Guy de Pourtalès
Chief Technology Officer



Naomi Bohnenblust
Operations Manager



Robin Dunou
Chief Commercial Officer

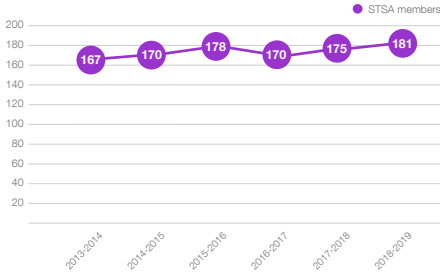
STSA Members

across Switzerland

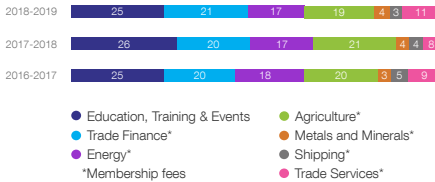
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Membership & Finances

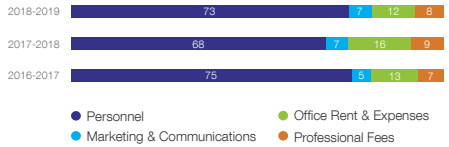
EVOLUTION OF STSA MEMBERS 2013-2019 (as of 30.09.2019)



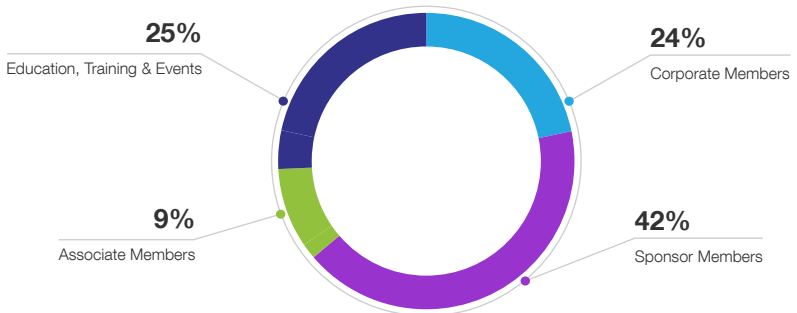
INCOME BY SOURCE OF CONTRIBUTION IN % (LCTA and ZCA not included)



EXPENDITURE BY TYPE IN % (LCTA and ZCA not included)

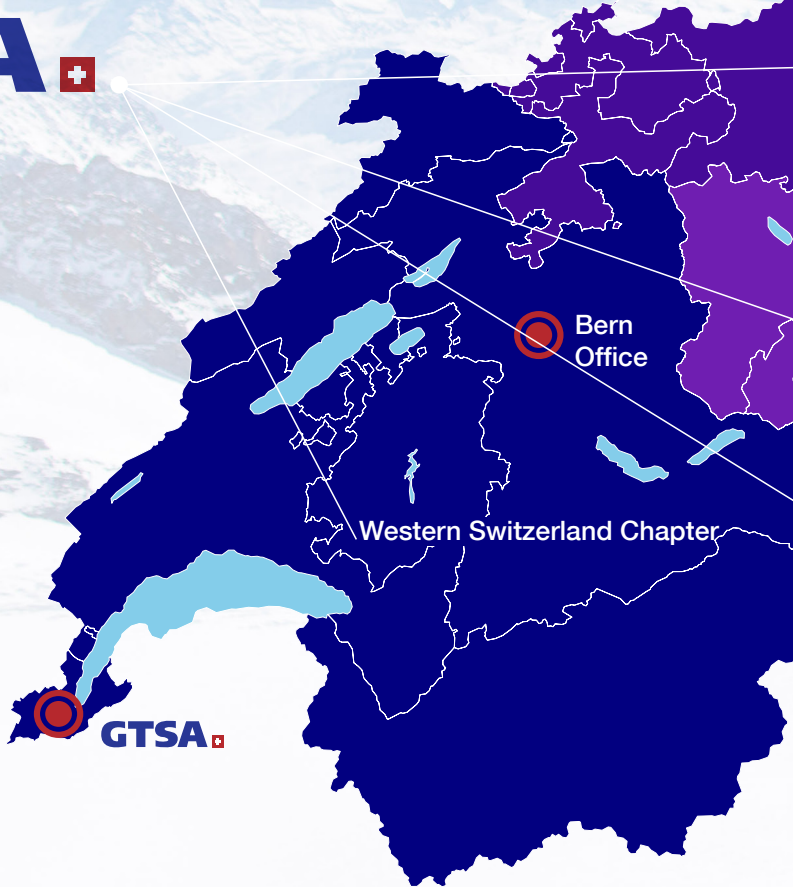


INCOME BY MEMBER CATEGORY AND STSA ACTIVITY (LCTA and ZCA not included)



A National Association
close to its Members

STSA 

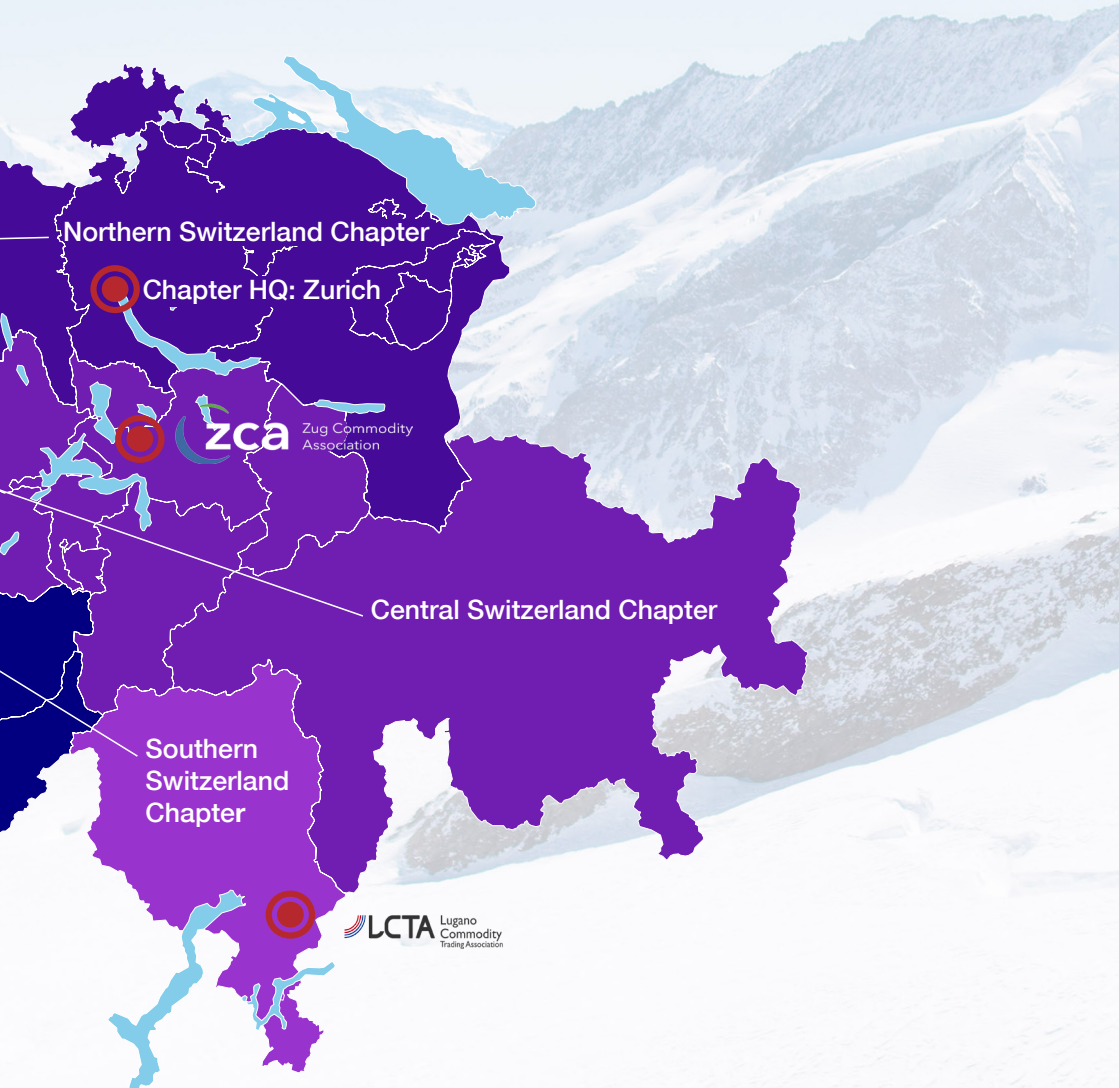


**~180 Members and
institutional partners**

(small, medium and large companies)

**1 Professional
training centre**

(STSA Learning)



Northern Switzerland Chapter

Chapter HQ: Zurich

zca Zug Commodity Association

Central Switzerland Chapter

Southern Switzerland Chapter

LCTA Lugano Commodity Trading Association

5 Committees

(Taxation, Regulation, Human Resources, Shipping, Trade Finance)

1 National Research Institute

(STSA is founder of the SRIC in partnership with various stakeholders)

Highlights of the Year



October 2018

Visit of Rt. Hon. Lord Mayor of the City of London
STSA sponsor members exchanged on the future of UK trade and the UK-Switzerland relationship with the Lord Mayor of the City of London and his delegation, which included Jade Owen, the British Ambassador to Switzerland.



November 2018

Record-breaking Commodity Dinner
The STSA Commodity Dinner 2018 had a record-breaking participation with 340 guests, including STSA members, public leaders and officials. Special keynote speeches were given by State Councillor Nathalie Fontanet, Member of the National Council Pierre-André Page, and Martin Meldem, Member of the Parliament in the canton of Vaud.



December 2018

Welcome to the most vibrant alumni community
STSA was pleased to welcome 29 students in its fast growing alumni community, with the STSA Business and Human Rights Certificate, the STSA Operator's Certificate and the STSA Documentary Credit Specialist Certificate coming to an end.



January 2019

STSA welcomes its new President, Ramon Esteve
Following the retirement of David Fransen, Managing Director of Vitof SA, after five years of presidency, Ramon Esteve, CEO of ECOM Agroindustrial Corp. Ltd. was unanimously elected as the new STSA President. Mr Esteve plans to continue the valued work of his predecessors, unify industry players, create a better understanding for the activity and to promote the educational and training programmes.



February 2019

ABCCD Platform exchanging expertise with STSA
STSA hosted an exclusive roundtable between the project leaders of the ABCCD Platform and STSA sponsor members. This lively discussion explored how cutting-edge technologies can be leveraged to optimise the future ecosystem through the standardisation and digitalisation of global agricultural transactions.



March 2019

High-level exchange at the Parliamentary Dinner
The Parliamentary Dinner brought together renowned experts such as Prof. Peter Forstmoser, Prof. Etienne Grisel, Prof. Walter Stoffel, and over ten parliamentarians from the Council of States and the National Council. The exchange addressed corporate responsibility in the field of human rights and the environment from a legal and comparative law perspective.



April 2019

"Remodelling the Commodities Activity in an Optimal Ecosystem"

The Trading Forum featured an exciting line-up of speakers including the federal authorities, high-level professionals and thought leaders, with three panel workshops on: Business & Human rights, Trade Finance & Financial Regulation and Technology & Innovation.



June 2019

STSA Learning awarded eduQua label

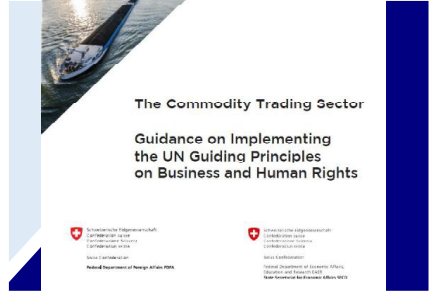
Following an in-depth evaluation process and in-house audit to ensure methods are fully transparent and in accordance with its standards, STSA Learning was awarded the eduQua label. This demonstrates the high quality of STSA Learning's educational and training programmes.



August 2019

Setting the autumn agenda at the Back-to-Business event

Marking the transition to the autumn season, over 30 STSA members participated in the Back-to-Business event, which provided a great opportunity to update STSA members on the current work and future priorities of the Association, as well providing a great occasion to network overlooking Lac Léman.



May 2019

Setting the path for the future at the STSA Spring Advisory Board

The Advisory Board meeting brought together representatives of over 20% of the STSA membership to help shape the future direction of key Association workstreams, including the implementation of the Guidance on the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights in Commodity Trading. This was a crucial occasion for STSA members to get together and make their voices heard.



July 2019

Sharing expertise at the Illicit Financial Flows Workshops

Two workshops were held in the context of the ongoing academic research project on Curbing Illicit Financial Flows in Commodity Trading, the advisory committee of which STSA is part of. The workshops were based on two of the project's three workstreams, and were intended to provide an opportunity for exchange between the research team and STSA members to ensure that a pragmatic and academically-sound study is conducted.



September 2019

Strengthening commodity trading communication

In the context of the increasing importance of social media in shaping the agenda in the public and political domain, STSA hosted a Social Media Seminar for SMEs, led by Farmer Consulting, to aid STSA members in building an effective and agile communication strategy.

STSA in the Media Overview

STSA IN THE MEDIA

From a reactive presence to a proactive communication:

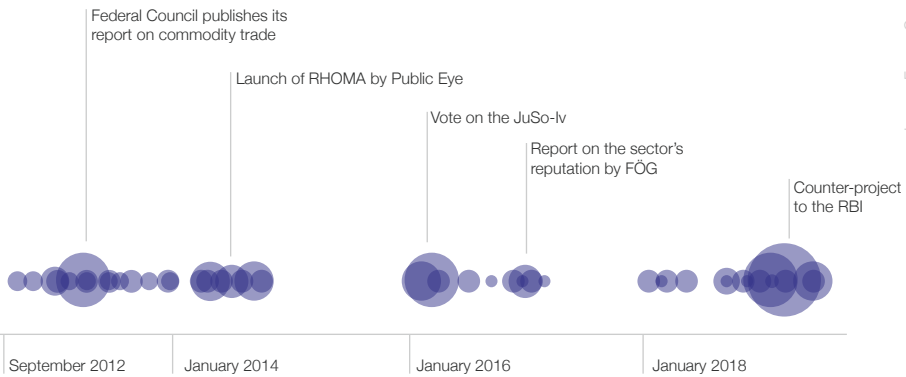


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AN INCREASING PRESENCE ON SOCIAL MEDIA

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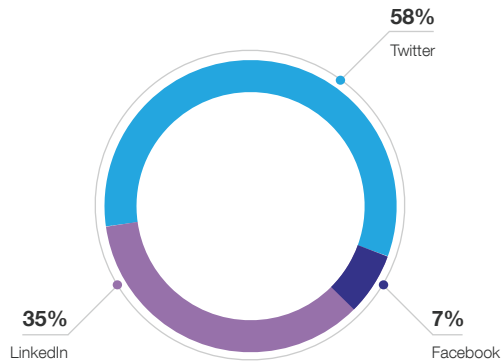
Total impressions on social media

6,4%

Average engagement rate on LinkedIn

40%

Increase in followers on LinkedIn

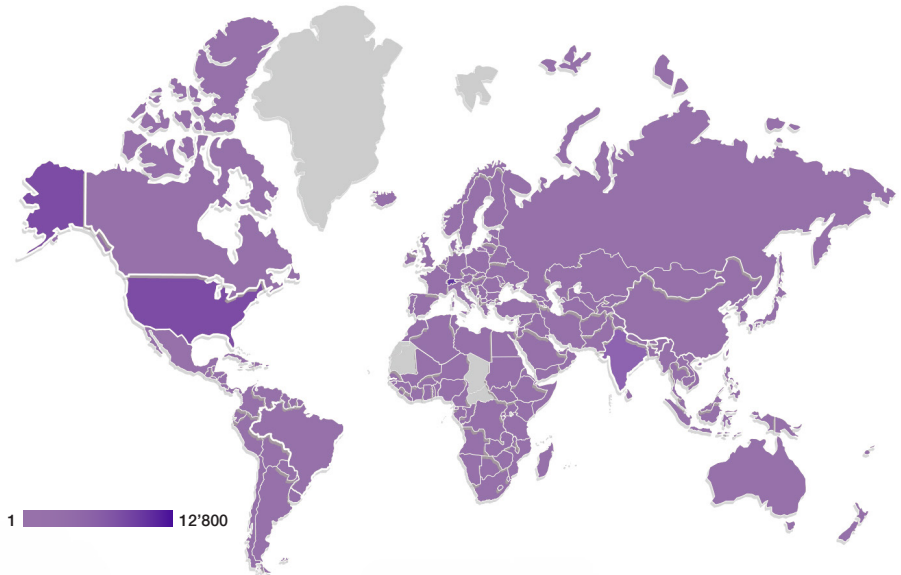


STSA FOCUSES ON POLICY



Image: Adapted from Farmer Consulting SA

STSA WEBSITE USERS ACROSS THE GLOBE



Business Environment & Innovation

STSA actively promoted and supported the campaign on the Corporate Tax Reform, both at federal and cantonal level. The public vote in favour of the Corporate Tax Reform package on 19 May 2019, at both cantonal and federal level was essential to securing the economic competitiveness of Switzerland and Geneva.

With the commodity trading activity on the cusp of the next technological (r)evolution, STSA actively works to shape Switzerland's policy to ensure a flourishing technological environment.

STSA closely monitors the newly imposed Radio and Television fee (RTVG) based on turnover and has worked with its members to ensure their voices are heard at the Parliamentary level. This fee has a disproportionately negative effect on SMEs, which makes up about 80% of STSA members.

KEY STATISTICS

7

Parliamentary objects concerning RTVG were submitted to parliament

66,4%

Of the Swiss population voted in favour of the Corporate Tax Reform

+2'500

Messages sent on average per month through TRAFEC

3 MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS

30.09.2019

Reimbursement of STSA loan by eGTSA.

13,99%

New reduced corporate tax rate of Geneva to maintain economic competitiveness.



Official launch of the Guidance at the UN Forum on Business and Human Rights.



Dr. Stéphane Graber
Secretary General

Education & Training

Professional & Academic

During this past year, STSA has profoundly structured its educational department, formalised the procedures and created a separate identity, STSA Learning, dedicated to this essential activity. STSA Learning was awarded the eduQua label after an in-depth evaluation process and in-house audit ensuring that its methods are fully transparent and in accordance with the rigorous eduQua standards.

Attaining this Swiss recognition of quality has been a special milestone for STSA Learning, which led to the accreditation of the Chèque Annuel de Formation (CAF) for the STSA Operator's Certificate.

KEY STATISTICS

87%

Average satisfaction of the STSA Operator's Certificate

32

Job offers sent to the STSA Learning alumni community

+70%

Success rate of course participants to enter the industry

3 MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS



April 2019 – A specific brand was created for the educational activities of STSA.



May 2019 – STSA Learning was awarded the eduQua label, the first Swiss quality label geared towards providers of adult learning programmes.



Save CHF 750! on your trainings with STSA Learning

September 2019 – The STSA Operator's Certificate was accredited for the Chèque Annuel de Formation (CAF).



Silvine Chatelain
Education & Training Manager

Responsible Business Conduct & Transparency

In November 2018 STSA reached a landmark in the RBC area, after 4 years of collaboration within a multistakeholder initiative comprising SECO, FDFA and NGOs the Guidance on Implementing the UNGPs on Business and Human Rights in Commodity Trading was published. STSA is now actively working on the promotion and implementation of the Guidance, for example through the launch of the STSA Business and Human Rights Certificate.

STSA actively participates in the current discussions on first trade payment transparency in the EITI Working Group on Commodity Trading and at the OECD.

KEY STATISTICS



3 MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS

28.11.2018

Publication of the Guidance on the implementation of the UNGPs in Commodity Trading.

700

Printed Guidances distributed through STSA this year.



Launch of the STSA Business and Human Rights Certificate.



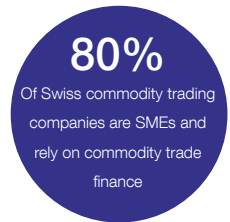
Dr. Nina Eggert
CSR Officer

Trade Finance & Financial Regulation

The availability and affordability of commodity trade finance is a key area of focus. STSA members have worked closely with the State Secretariat for International Finance (SIF) to provide expertise in relation to the Swiss implementation of the Basel III reforms.

As a result of STSA's engagement and expertise with the federal authorities, STSA was mandated by the SIF in the dissemination of the federal study on anti-money laundering in the commodity trading activity. STSA has also worked to inform its members on the potential impacts of Brexit.

KEY STATISTICS



3 MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS



Submission of a consultation response to the Ordinance to the new Swiss Financial Institutions Act.



STSA recognised by the federal authorities as a valuable partner for expert advice and exchange.



Collaboration with the SIF for Basel III and the Federal Anti-Money Laundering study.



Andrea Tang
Regulatory Affairs Officer

Communications, Events & Outreach Activities

SECTOR COMMUNICATIONS TOOLS

STSA kept members up to date about the latest developments and most important news.



Insights

Fact-based papers on specific commodity trading-related topics



Members Highlights

Weekly news on commodity trading priorities and activities



STSA News Brief

Weekly selection of key articles and reports relevant to STSA members



STSA Monthly Newsletter

Monthly roundup of activities and achievements for all subscribers

SOCIAL NETWORKS

STSA significantly increased its social media presence and output.



LinkedIn

Promoting STSA's activities, events and training programmes to the industry, members, alumni, stakeholders and general public



Twitter

Providing a direct channel to engage in public discussions



YouTube

Explaining commodity trading through relevant video content



Facebook

Promoting the STSA Education & Training offering

COMMUNICATIONS TO STAKEHOLDERS & THE GENERAL PUBLIC

STSA recognised as creative player and valuable expert.



Media

Interacting with press, radio and TV journalists



Website

Providing a window into commodity trading and STSA activities in Switzerland



Conferences & events

Facilitating the exchanges of knowledge and expertise among stakeholders



SRIC Foundation

Promoting and disseminating academic research on commodities

**YOU CAN SUBSCRIBE TO OUR PUBLIC MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS
ON OUR WEBSITE UNDER "NEWS & EVENTS".**

POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

STSA continued to provide expertise and exchange on current topics.



Parliamentary Sessions & Parliamentary Dinners

Fostering dialogue between parliamentarians and industry executives



Auditions

Providing expert input on current policy projects



Bilateral meetings with authorities

Representing the industry and interacting with policymakers



Study trips

Exposing parliamentarians to real-life field experience

3 MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS

18%

Increase in Mailchimp audience.



Record attendance at the Parliamentary Dinner with 33 participants.

12%

More page views on the STSA website.



Tiziana Rizzo
Team Support Officer



Andrea Scarozza
Communication Support Officer



Tim Straub
Business Communication Officer

Social Projects

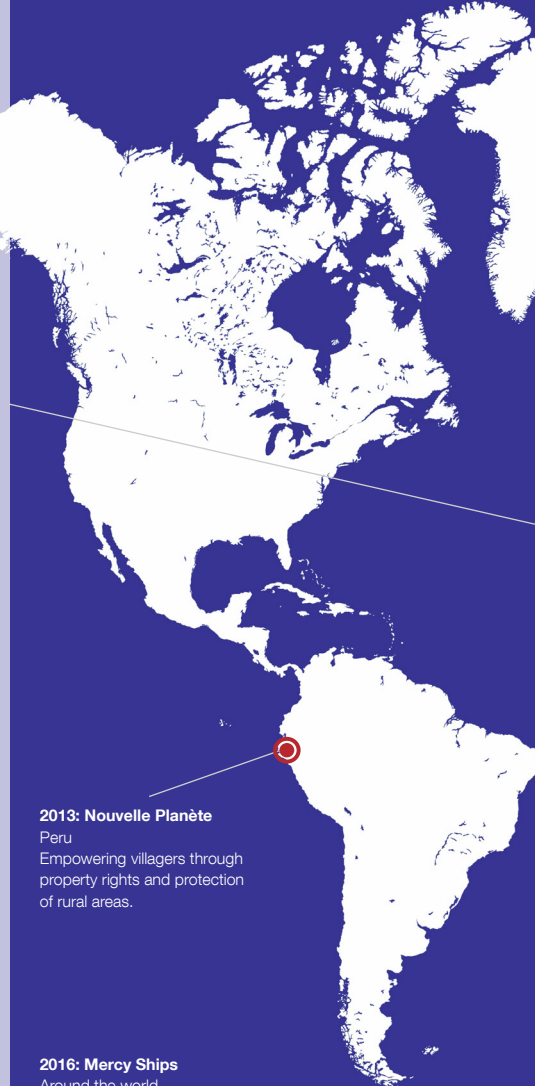
SOCIAL PROJECTS IN 2019

Each year, STSA donates the proceeds of its charitable Commodity Dinner to support a project that contributes to the wider goal of sustainable and equitable development within the supply chain.

Due to the substantial amount of personal investment that goes into the organisation of this dinner, the STSA Secretariat is very pleased to support the Building A Future Foundation this year.

The Foundation aims at improving the living conditions and fighting poverty in Sri Lanka through capacity building, empowerment and economic self-sufficiency with an environmental, social and sustainable approach in order to create sustainable employment for the youth.

More specifically, the proceedings go to the new training centre in the northern part of Sri Lanka that offers theoretical and on the job training in areas that have economic development potential in the country.



2013: Nouvelle Planète

Peru
Empowering villagers through property rights and protection of rural areas.

2016: Mercy Ships

Around the world
Supporting the construction of another large hospital ship to provide surgical intervention in poorest countries.

2018: The Sea Cleaners

France
Collecting, educating and raising awareness for plastic macro waste in the ocean.

2009: Bateau Genève

Geneva
Supporting people in need by providing them with free breakfast.

2010: Bateau Lavoir

Geneva
Integration and support of adolescents going through hardships.

2017: Fondation Cap Loisirs

Geneva
Improving the lives of children, adolescents and adults with disabilities.

2015: Paysans Solidaires

Burkina Faso
Supporting rural development and sustainable production.

2017: Nouvelle Planète

Burkina Faso
Supporting professional training in the commodities transformation sector.

2012: Terre & Faune

The Comoros Islands
Encouraging new economic activity by promoting recycling.

2014: Fondation BK Lubamba

Democratic Republic of Congo
Encouraging a sustainable agriculture project.

2017: Kalaamugosi Women's Co-operative Society

Uganda
Developing a sense of dignity and empowering women active in coffee production.

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We look forward to the year ahead and to further work towards the success of the Association.

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IMAGE CAPTION

1. STSA Commodity Trading Risk Analyst Certificate Graduation
2. STSA Spring Advisory Board Meeting
3. STSA Operator's Certificate and STSA Documentary Credit Officer Certificate students during the opening session
4. Exchange between Rt. Hon. Lord Mayor of the City of London, the British Ambassador to Switzerland and STSA members
5. STSA Back to Business Networking Event
6. WISTA Annual General Meeting
7. STSA Christmas Party







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