

The Hartford Named To 2018 Bloomberg Gender-Equality Index **Monday, January 22, 2018 12:00:00 PM (GMT)**

Company recognized for best-in-class gender policies and practices for third consecutive year

[The Hartford](#) has been named to the 2018 Bloomberg Gender-Equality Index (GEI) for the third consecutive year. The Hartford is one of 104 companies commended this year, and was included in both 2017 and the inaugural index in 2016.

"We are proud to be recognized again for our best-in-class gender policies and practices," said Susan Johnson, Chief Diversity & Inclusion Officer for The Hartford. "Our transparent approach and deliberate focus on fostering an inclusive work environment, where people can continue to progress in their careers, makes us a company of choice for employees, business partners and customers."

To be considered for the index, The Hartford voluntarily participated in a Bloomberg GEI survey that asks questions related to each of the four categories: gender statistics, company policies, product offerings and community engagement. The survey was designed to encourage disclosure and the aggregation of company-specific data about gender. Companies are scored based on the information provided, and those with scores high enough to meet a certain threshold are included in the index. Evidence demonstrates gender-equality policies and practices can affect a company's financial performance, productivity and ability to retain top talent, according to Bloomberg.

"As investors continue to seek more information on companies' approaches to environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors, the 2018 Bloomberg Gender-Equality Index allows investors to compare companies' commitments to gender equality across industries," said Kiersten Barnet, Deputy Chief of Staff to the Chairman at Bloomberg. "More data and greater transparency in this space will allow investors to make better-informed decisions and help companies better understand their own progress towards gender equality."

The Hartford is committed to fostering a diverse and inclusive workplace where people are respected for who they are, recognized for how they contribute, and celebrated for what they can become. The company has focused investments in talent development initiatives related to diversity and inclusion strategies, including leadership training, mentoring and the company's eight employee resource groups, which includes the Professional Women's Network. The Hartford has been consistently named a 2020 Women on Boards 'W' Company, which recognizes gender diversity in the company's board. To learn more about diversity and inclusion at The Hartford, visit <https://www.thehartford.com/careers/corporate-diversity>.

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