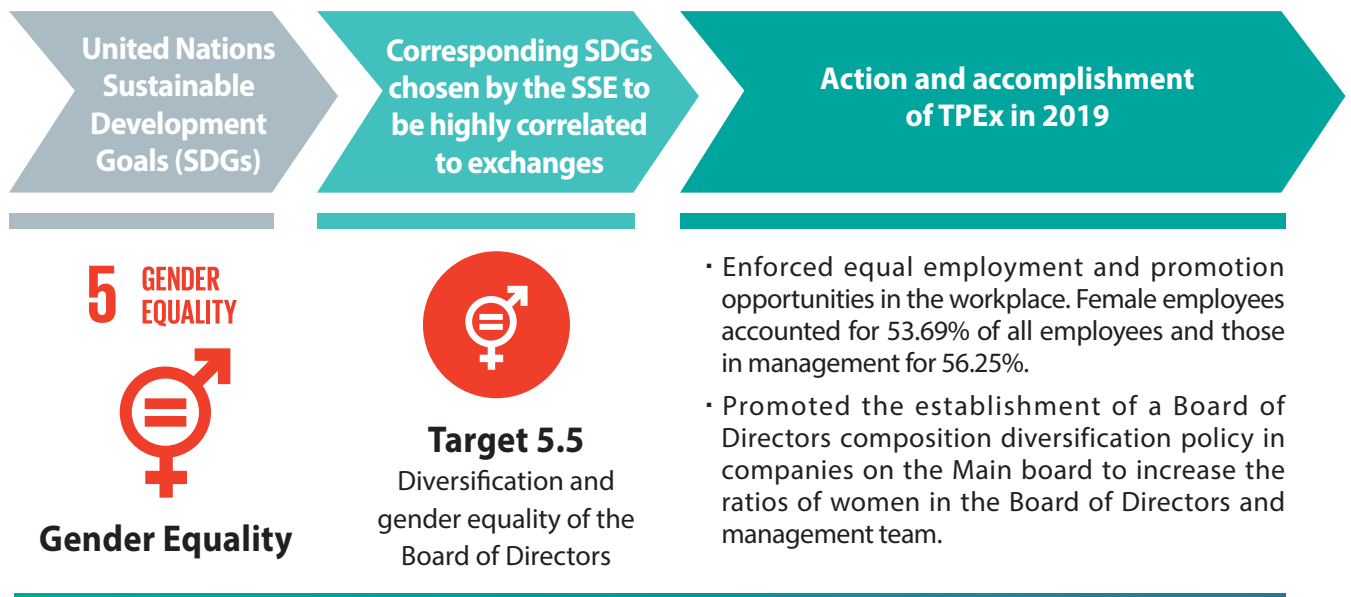


RESPONSE TO THE UN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS, SDGS



The United Nations, to enhance the attention paid by enterprises around the world to the issues of sustainable development, established a total of 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and 169 targets covering the environment, society, and governance, among others. Like many UN initiatives, the Sustainable Stock Exchanges (SSE) Initiative spontaneously formed by exchanges of member asserts the promotion of sustainable development through the force on the securities market. Therefore, the SSE Initiative included six major items that are chosen from the SDGs and are highly relevant to the exchange industry to be its SDGs that shall be fulfilled by 2030. They are SDG 5 “Gender Equality”, SDG 8 “Decent Work and Economic Growth”, SDG 10 “Reduced Inequalities”, SDG 12 “Responsible Consumption and Production”, SDG 13 “Climate Action”, and SDG 17 “Partnerships for the Goals”.

TPEX echoes the global initiative on the issues of sustainability and believes that it is obligated to take proactive action and answer to the UN and SSE initiatives by combining business functions and operational activities, continuing to enforce core belief about sustainable development, reaching out to more market participants and calling for equal emphasis from them.



United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

Corresponding SDGs chosen by the SSE to be highly correlated to exchanges

Action and accomplishment of TPEX in 2019

8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH



Decent Work and Economic Growth



Target 8.3

SME growth and sustainable development

- Increased the overall market capitalization of the Main board to NTD 3,433.5 billion, an annual growth of around NTD 607 billion.
- The average daily trading value on the Main board totaled NTD 31.436 billion and that on the emerging stock board around NTD 739 million.
- The average dividend yield ratio of the Main board was 3.65%.
- The number of ETFs issued on the Main board significantly grew to 94, totaling NTD 1.28 trillion in the asset value. The daily trading value surged to NTD 3.526 billion on average. The average return throughout the year exceeded 8%.
- Supported industrial and corporate growth and developments so that they could provide more jobs. There were up to 1,113 companies on the Main board, the emerging stock board, and the GISA board combined.

10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES



Reduced Inequalities



Target 10.5

Securities Regulations

- Continued to examine the current market system and market regulations to enforce supervision so that investments activities that the general public is involved in can take place in a fair, orderly, and efficient environment.
- Reinforced transparency in the disclosure of information on the market to reduce information asymmetry.
- Continued to sponsor medical care in remote areas and organize projects to care for the disadvantaged in an effort to promote equal distribution of social resources and to address urban-rural gaps.

12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION



Responsible Consumption and Production



Target 12.6

ESG information disclosure

- Completed the fifth annual corporate governance evaluation over all the Main board companies .
- Jointly organized 3 seminars with the Taiwan Stock Exchange on the corporate social responsibility report to help companies understand the regulations and how to compose their own CSR reports.
- A total of 116 Main board companies have prepared and published their CSR report for 2018 and, among them 70 voluntarily disclosed it.
- Continued to update the information in the Corporate Social Responsibility section on the website to help enterprises improve the quality of ESG information disclosed.



13 CLIMATE ACTION



Climate action

Corresponding SDGs chosen by the SSE to be highly correlated to exchanges



Target 13.3

Promotion of Green Finance

Action and accomplishment of TPEX in 2019

- Supported green finance and has allowed various type of issuers to list green bonds, including domestic and international enterprises, domestic and international banks, the Taiwan branches of foreign banks, and super international financial organizations.
- 14 newly-listed green bonds. The total issuing amount grew over 50% compared to the previous year. 36 bonds were listed at the end of 2019 with the outstanding balance at more than NTD 100 billion.
- Successfully held the 2019 Taipei Green Bond International Conference to improve the visibility of our green bond market internationally and attract foreign enterprises, banks, and super international financial organizations to come to Taiwan and issue their green bonds.
- Promoted green office and e-business. The amount of paper used in printers throughout dropped 11.8% from 2018.

17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



Partnerships for the Goals



Intense partnership to benefit continuous developments and transparency on the market

- Review collaborative suppliers on a yearly basis to ensure their service quality. A total of 311 suppliers were reviewed in 2019 and the qualification rate was 100%.
- Held the Award Presentation Ceremony and Business Workshop for Intermediaries Assisting in Getting Listed on the Main board, Emerging stock board, and GISA where outstanding intermediaries were recognized and interactions were boosted.
- Continued to take part in ESG tasks of international organizations such as the World Federation of Exchange (WFE), the International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO), and the Sustainability Discussion Group of the Asian and Oceanian Stock Exchanges Federation (AOSEF).