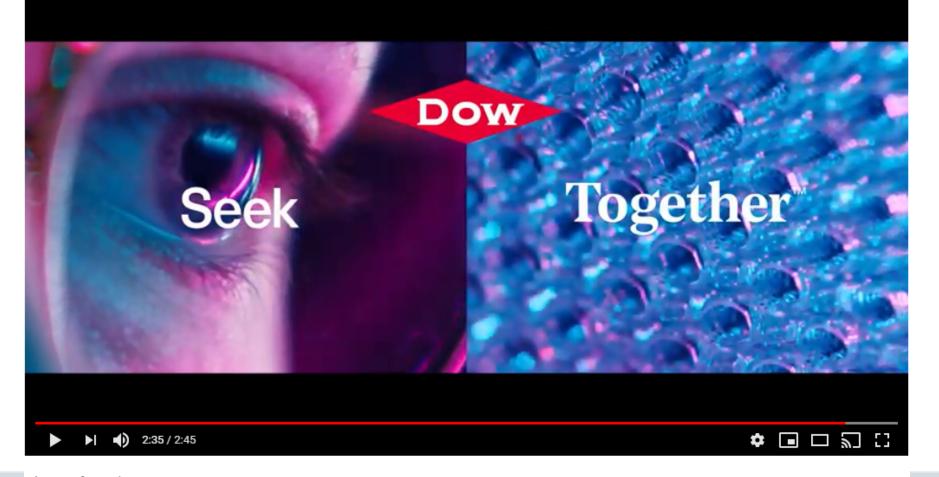


#### SUSTAINABILITY @ Dow

COLLABORATING ACROSS THE VALUE CHAIN

Eunice Heath May 9, 2019





#### SEEK TOGETHER: SUSTAINABILITY COLLABORATION ALONG VALUE CHAIN

The "new" Dow's tagline – "Seek Together" – embodies our desire to collaborate to solve our most pressing challenges. In sustainability, this means:

- Collaborating with partners and customers to innovate
- Educating on material handling and safety
- Committing to transparency and global standards
- Enabling the increase in sustainability literacy and representation





#### **Dow's 2025 Sustainability Goals**

ADVANCING THE WELL-BEING OF HUMANITY THROUGH SCIENCE, INNOVATION AND COLLABORATION



### **COLLABORATING WITH PARTNERS AND CUSTOMERS TO** INNOVATE







Valuing Nature



Delivering Breakthrough Innovations

#### VALUING NATURE THROUGH PARTNERSHIP WITH NATURE CONSERVANCY





#### ALLIANCE TO END PLASTIC WASTE AND #PULLINGOURWEIGHT





















#### **INNOVATIONS ENABLING RENEWABLE ENERGY**

- Alternative energy generation is the future for a sustainable planet and society
- Dow provides solutions that help enable renewable energy solutions
  - Solar, Geothermal, Concentrated solar power and wind
- Two examples in solar energy alone:
  - Heat transfer fluids
  - 2. Silicones









# EDUCATING ON PRODUCT AND PROCESS SAFETY





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#### Dow's Product Stewardship Academy



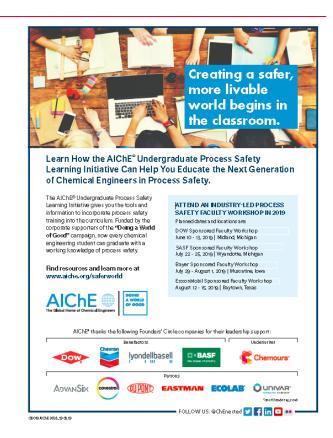






#### PROCESS SAFETY WORKSHOP

- Dow is part of the AIChE Undergraduate Process Safety Learning Initiative, which educates chemical engineering students on process safety
- Helps provide tools and information to incorporate process safety training into undergraduate curriculum
- Dow, along with other people in this room, are part of this effort



# COMMITTING TO TRANSPARENCY AND GLOBAL STANDARDS







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#### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH CHINA





#### **DOW TRANSPARENCY PORTAL**

- Dow believes transparency is critical in building trust and confidence through the value chain
- We commit to...
  - Communicating across the value chain the information necessary to the establishing safe use of our products.
- What could transparency look like?
  - Advance transparency beyond Safety Data Sheets
  - Share how we evaluate chemicals and products from a health and environmental perspective



#### **GREEN CHEMISTRY STATEMENT**

#### JOINT STATEMENT ON USING GREEN CHEMISTRY AND SAFER ALTERNATIVES TO ADVANCE SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTS

Retailers are on the front lines of consumer concerns about the health and environmental impacts of chemicals in products. In response, retailers want to leverage their ability to help catalyze innovation and new solutions. Since spring 2014, thought leaders from seven major retailers<sup>12</sup> and five major chemical manufacturers<sup>3</sup> have been in dialogue about improving product sustainability and finding ways to accelerate the development and scale up of green chemistry solutions as well as increase transparency in the value chain. Green chemistry, focused on the design and application of safer chemical products and processes, is a core element

of many firm's sustainability and/or sustainable chemistry programs. Retailers have shared feedback from their customers, their concerns about hazardous chemicals in products, and their priorities for safer products. Chemical manufacturers have shared publicly available information on their research, development, and commercialization processes, their processes for evaluating product safety and sustainability, the types of information they need to make the business case for pursuing green chemistry solutions, and their challenges in bringing these alternatives to market.



Developed by the Green Chemistry & Commerce Council (GC3) with participation from the following companies:























The companies involved in this dialogue support the overarching goal of exploring and, whenever possible, accelerating the development and use of more sustainable products through innovation in and sourcing of green chemistry solutions...All share a commitment to having an open dialogue around five key areas to promote green chemistry research, development, and adoption:

- 1. Goal setting and continuous improvement
- 2 Communication
- 3. Transparency
- 4. Information on new chemicals and safer alternatives
- 5. Support for green chemistry education





### **INCREASING** SUSTAINABILITY LITERACY & REPRESENTATION



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#### Dow's Elements of Sustainability Series

- Series of free online lectures from sustainability academics, available to anyone with a computer
- Topics from life cycle assessments to circular economy
- Check out the series anytime: consumer.dow.com/sustainability-series-2019



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#### **DOW SUSTAINABILITY ACADEMY**

## Sustainability ACADEMY

Employee development program that provides participants with the tools needed to bring sustainability business insights into their jobs as well as hands-on experience on a sustainability-related project.

4 days

Sustainability business acumen training

1 day

Final presentation

6 month project

On a #Dow2025 goal Several teams

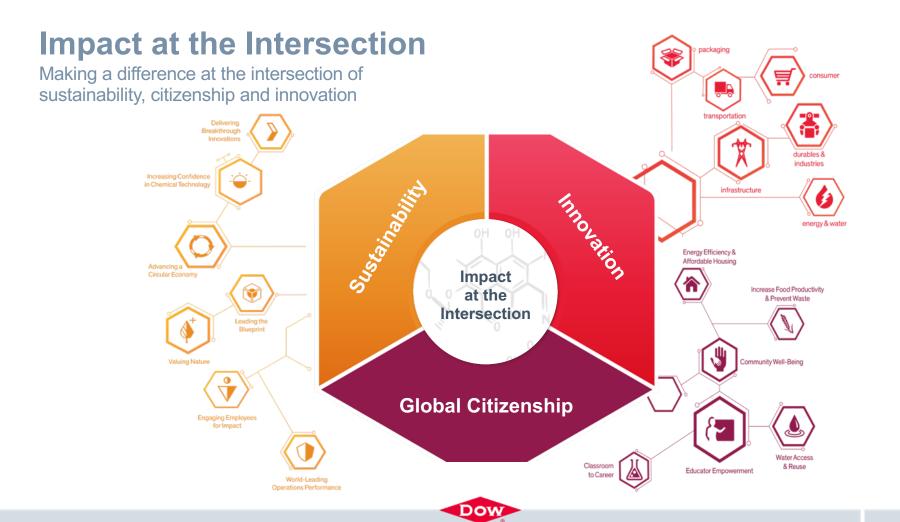
Dow is partnering with the **University of Michigan** and **the University of Cambridge** to provide participants with an externally validated certification upon program completion. Each team will have a *project customer* and *a sustainability SME*.













### Committed to Building the Workforce of Tomorrow

•In the next decade ...

80%

of professions will require a deep understanding of science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) skills

Nearly

3.5 Million

manufacturing jobs will likely need to be filled

2 Million

of those jobs may go unfilled due to the STEM skills gap

Source: White House, Manufacturing Institute



### Our STEM Strategy: From Classroom to Career

Teach

Through professional development, curriculum support and project-based learning.

Learn

Through hands-on experiments, STEM career exploration and reaching out to underrepresented students.

Work

Through university partnerships; R&D funding; curriculum development at community colleges and non-profits; and offering certifications, internships, coops, apprenticeships and full-time employment.

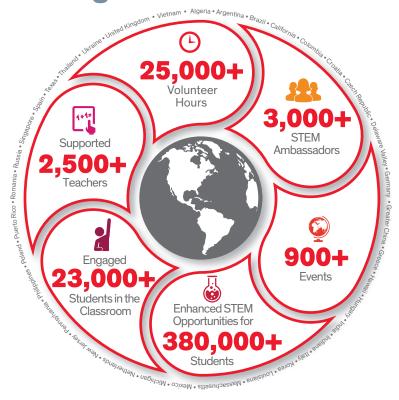


To advocate for STEM policies, drive STEM education and engage federal, state and local governments.



#### STEM Ambassadors: Motivating Student Achievement

- Launched in 2014.
- Dow STEM Ambassadors are trained employees who inspire students and support teachers in our strategic communities.
- School-day activities include career talks, guest lecturing, science experiments, mentoring, Dow site tours, being a teacher partner, and science research.
- After-school activities include coaching FIRST Robotics teams, conducting You Be The Chemist competitions, or participating in science fairs.





#### BUILDING THE PHD DIVERSITY PIPELINE

- Dow R&D sponsors 15 students from 4 other HBCUs to Florida A&M University College of Engineering
- Purpose to gain exposure to Industrial Manufacturing, Industrial R&D and Sustainability
- Supporting the build of undergraduate and graduate diversity pipeline into engineering and chemistry







### QUESTION:

What is the best way for the value chain to come together to increase sustainability education – from elementary to highest level?

A sustainability mindset must start EARLY.

We need to embed sustainability in our culture and our every day lives.



### Seek

### **Together**<sup>™</sup>