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Solvay's Kadri will Present AGILE Award Keynote Lecture at AIChE's Virtual Spring Meeting & Global Congress on Process Safety, April 19

NEW YORK, NY — The American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) has selected Ilham Kadri, Chief Executive Officer and President of the Executive Committee at Solvay, to present the AGILE Keynote Address at the 2021 AIChE Virtual Spring Meeting and 17th Global Congress on Process Safety. Kadri will launch the conferences on Monday, April 19, by discussing her company's Solvay One Planet objectives for sustainability and the importance of safety in industry. She will also reflect on her personal journey in leadership. Ahead of her talk, Kadri will receive AIChE's Government and Industry Leaders (AGILE) Award, which recognizes the contributions of innovative executives from businesses that employ chemical engineers.

The 2021 AIChE Virtual Spring Meeting and Global Congress on Process Safety takes place April 18–23. For the second year, the event is being conducted on an online platform.

Under Kadri's leadership, Solvay, a global leader in materials, solutions, and chemicals, launched its Solvay One Planet sustainability objectives. Soon after the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, Kadri established the Solvay Solidarity Fund for employees who are in need due to the crisis.

Kadri's professional experience encompasses a variety of industries across four continents, with roles at Shell, UCB, Huntsman, Dow Chemical, and Sealed Air. Prior to joining Solvay, Kadri was CEO and President of Diversey in the U.S.

She is an independent board member at A.O. Smith and at L'Oréal. She is also an Executive Committee member of the World Business Council for Sustainable Development, a member of the steering committee of the European Round Table of Industrialists, and a permanent member of the International Business Council.

Kadri earned a degree in chemical engineering at L'École des Hauts Polymères (Strasbourg, France) and a PhD in macromolecular physico-chemistry from Strasbourg's Louis Pasteur University.

For complete information about the conference program, registration, and related activities, visit www.aiche.org/spring or www.aiche.org/gcps.

Editor's note: Journalists interested in covering the conference should contact Gordon Ellis at gorde@aiche.org.

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