



# Saint, Sinner or Changemaker?

Mapping NGO Sentiment  
to Inform Stakeholder Engagement and Track  
Corporate Reputation

27 July 2017

# Agenda



**Introductions**

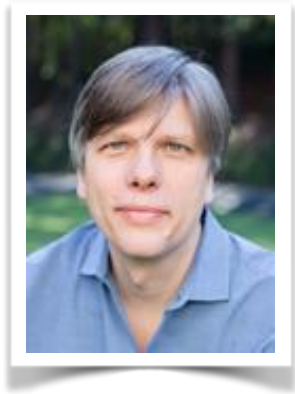


**Panelist Presentations**



**Q&A**

# Introductions



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A person is seen from the chest up, holding a large, vibrant red heart against a textured, light-colored wall. The person's hands are visible, resting on the heart. The overall mood is one of care and trust.

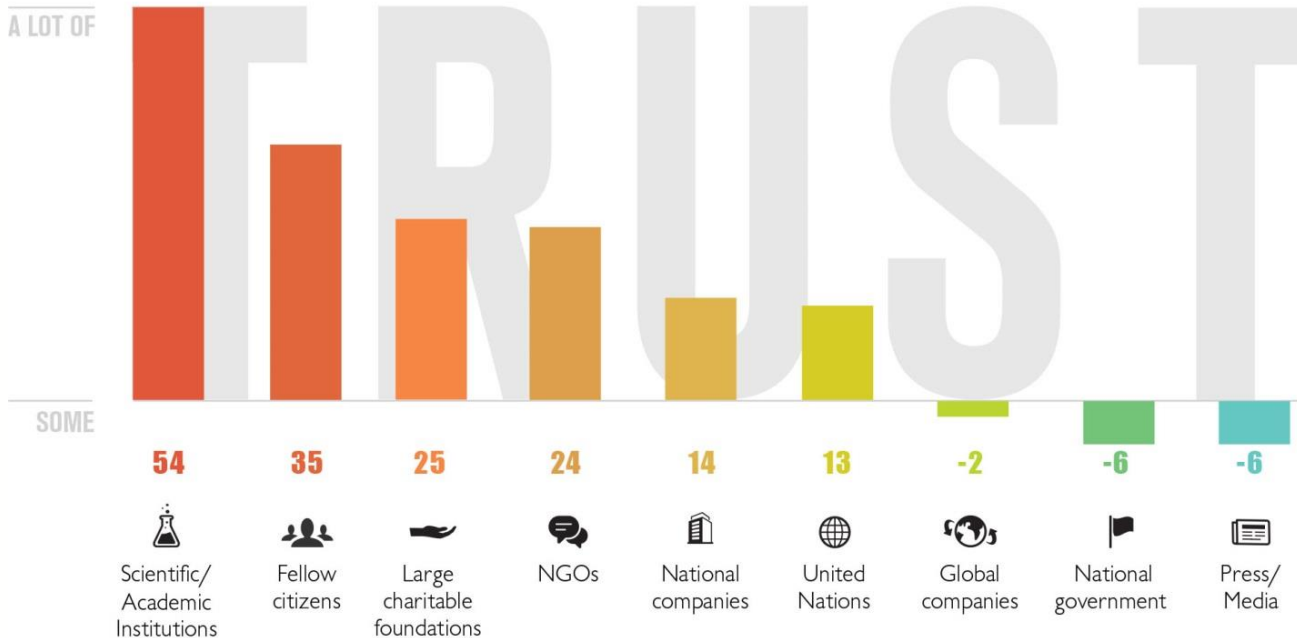
# ***General Public:*** **NGOs Are Highly** **Trusted**

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# Science and academic institutions are the most trusted by the global public, followed by fellow citizens, Foundations and NGOs

Net Trust\* in Institutions  
Average of 20 Countries,\*\* 2017



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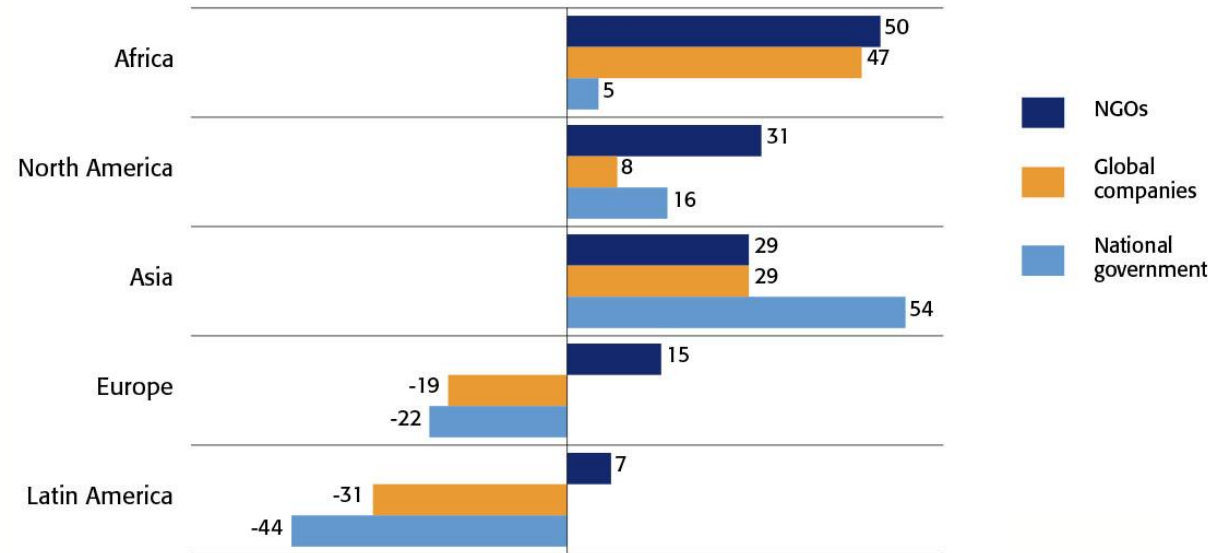
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Q. Please tell me how much you trust each of the following institutions to operate in the best interest of our society.

# NGOs are universally trusted institutions, earning positive levels of trust from respondents across regions

## Trust in NGOs, National Government, and Global Companies

Net Trust,\* by Region,\*\* 2017



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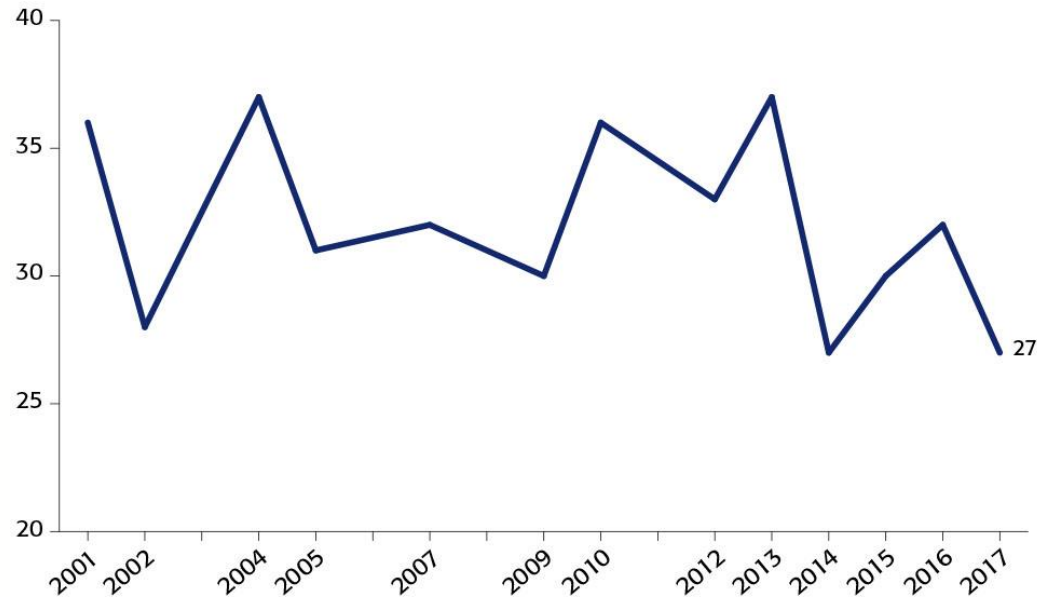
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# Trust in NGOs globally remains largely positive but is down from 2013

## Trust in NGOs

Net Trust\*, Average of 17 Countries\*\*, 2001-2017



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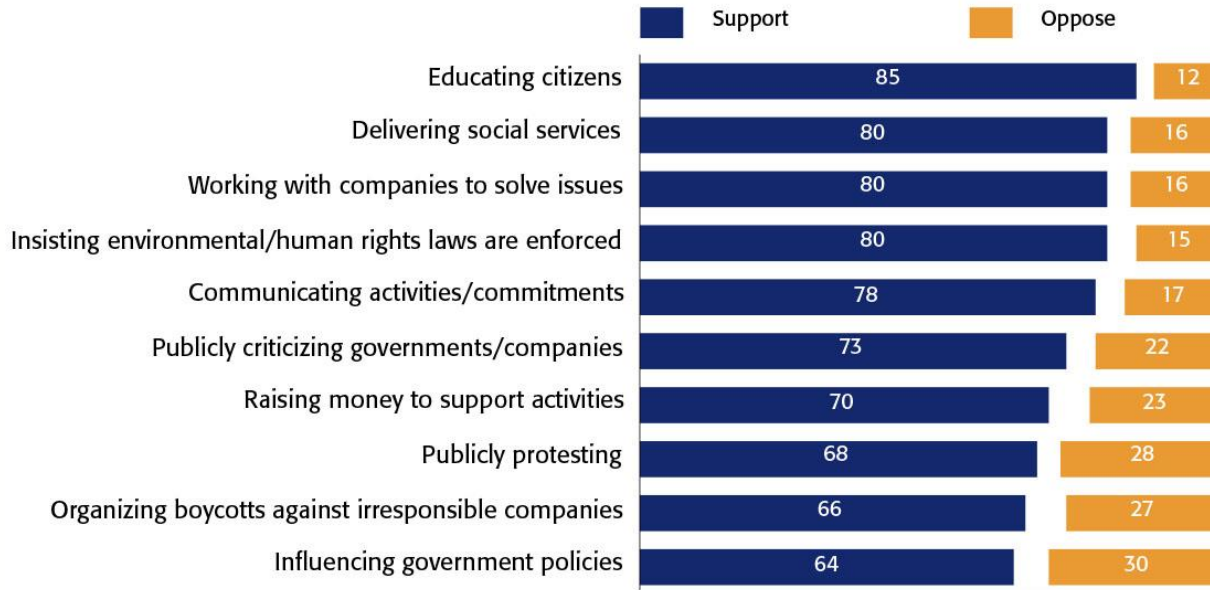
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# Asked about NGO activities, the global public most likely to support NGOs educating citizens on environmental and social issues

## Support for Environmental and Social Groups' Actions

Average of 15 Countries,\* 2016



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The white space in this chart represents "DK/NA."

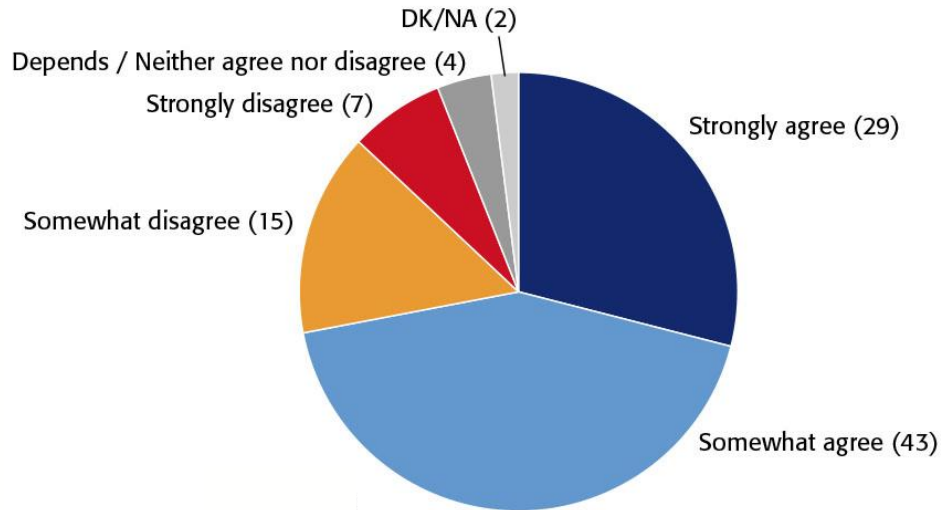
Q. Now I would like to ask you about the activities of environmental and social groups, what some people call charities, non-governmental organizations, or NGOs. Please tell me whether you support or oppose these groups' involvement in each of the following.



# A majority of the global public – nearly three-quarters – say their respect for a company would increase if it partnered with an NGO

## Respect for Company Would Go Up if Partnered with Charity/NGO

Average of 21 Countries,\* 2016



\*Includes Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Germany, Ghana, Greece, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Mexico, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru, Russia, South Korea, Spain, Turkey, UK, and USA

Q. Please tell me if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements – My respect for a company would go up if it partnered with a charitable or non-governmental organization to help solve social problems.

# ***Stakeholders:*** **NGOs Leading the** **Transition to SD**



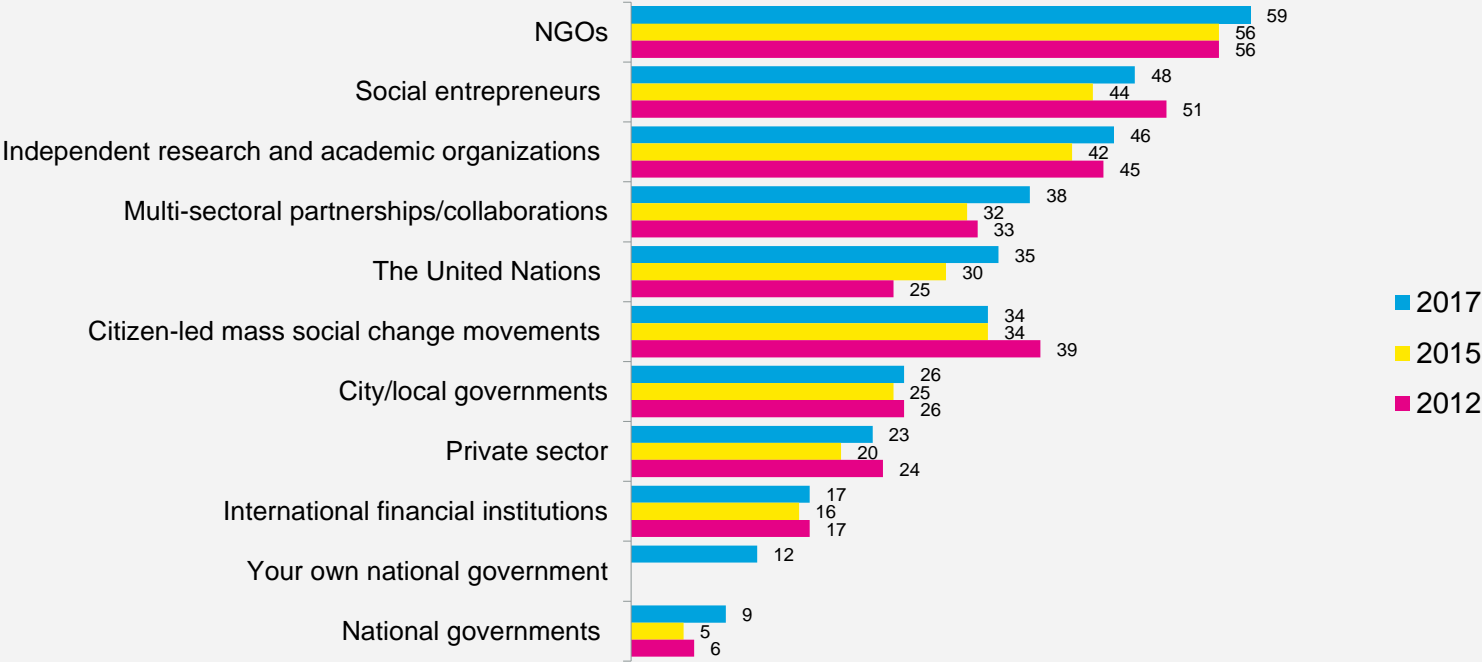
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# NGOs viewed as contributing greatly to the transition to SD

“Good Performance”

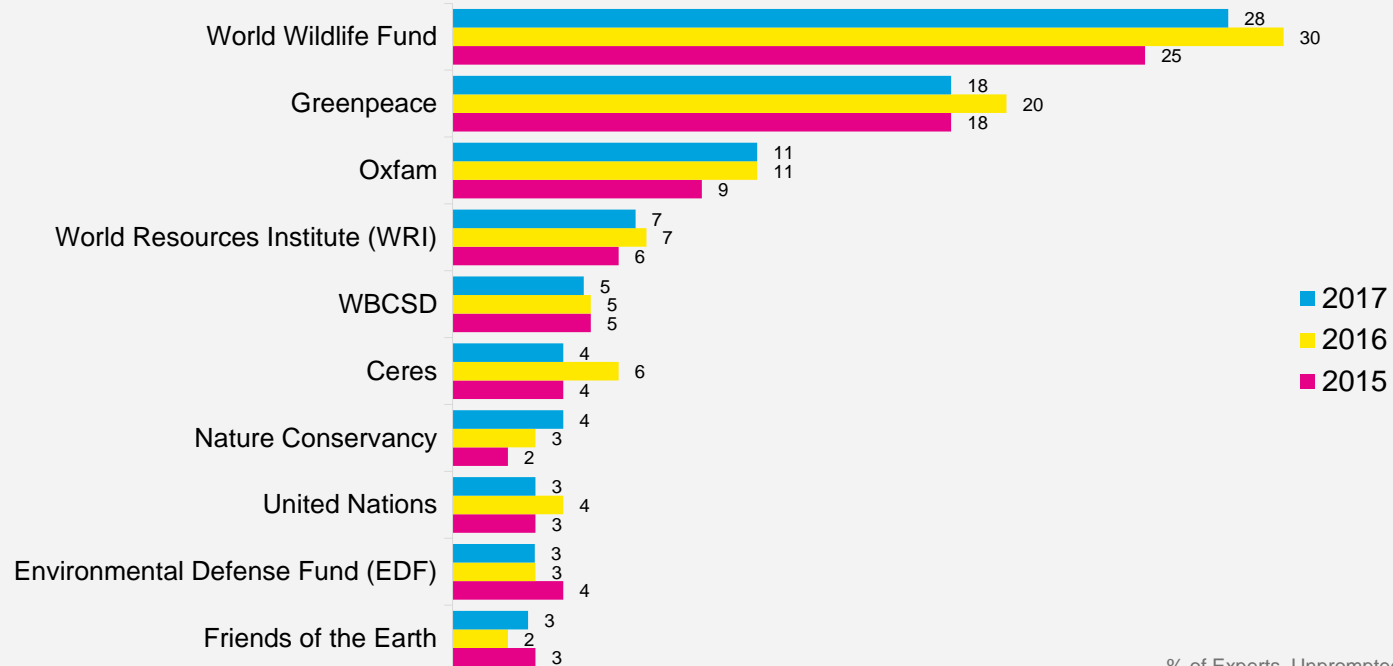
**Question:** How would you rate the performance of each of the following types of organizations in terms of its contribution to progress on sustainable development since the 1992 Earth Summit in Rio? *Please use a scale where 1 is “poor” and 5 is “excellent”.*



% of Experts, “Excellent” (4+5), 2012–2017

# WWF, Greenpeace, Oxfam and WRI recognized as leaders

**Question:** What specific NGOs do you think are leaders in advancing sustainable development?  
*Please enter up to two responses in the spaces provided.*



% of Experts, Unprompted, Total Mentions, 2015–2017

# Collaboration, innovation and scale are drivers of NGO leadership

**Question:** Why do you think [insert NGO] is a leader in sustainable development?  
*Please enter up to two responses in the spaces provided.*



% of Experts, Unprompted, Total Mentions, 2017

Saint

# Saint, Sinner or Changemaker?

Responder

Demo

Sinner

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to inform stakeholder engagement and  
track corporate reputation

**Robert Blood**

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# How SIGWATCH measures NGO sentiment

*Typical NGO campaigning action logged by SIGWATCH:*

## **Telcos lagging behind tech companies in protecting user data – report**

Jul 26, 2017 U.S. – Electronics Frontier Foundation (EFF) accused telcos of failing to protect their users from intrusion by the U.S. government. In its annual “Who Has Your Back” scorecard, which rates companies on how they respond to government data requests, challenge National Security Letter (NSL) "gag" orders, and support user privacy reforms, EFF said AT&T, Comcast, T-Mobile, and Verizon were the worst, followed by Amazon and WhatsApp. Facebook, Google, and Microsoft came out best but EFF said these companies could still do more. See <https://www.eff.org/press/releases/att-verizon-other-telco-providers-lag-behind-tech-industry-protecting-users> <https://www.eff.org/who-has-your-back-2017>

REPUTATIONAL IMPACTS Amazon -7.5, AT&T -15, Comcast -11.25, Facebook +7.5, Google / Alphabet +7.5, Microsoft +7.5, T-Mobile [Deutsche Telekom AG] -11.25, Verizon -15, WhatsApp Inc [Facebook] -7.5



Every NGO campaigning action is tagged for companies, brands and projects mentioned in the NGOs’ own communications (more accurate, comprehensive and expeditious than media coverage).

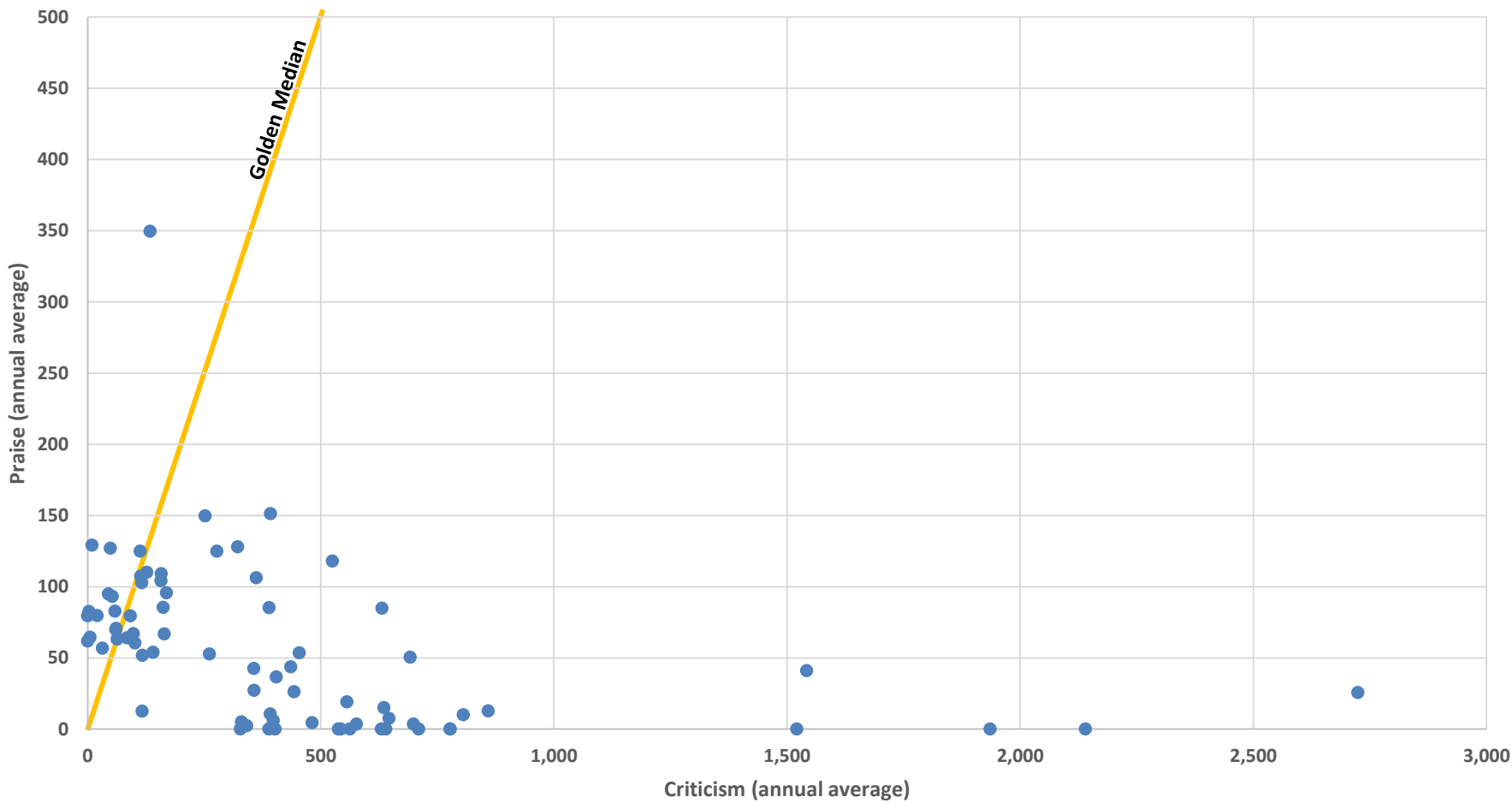
Reputational Impact calculated from mention’s prominence, strength, and polarity (criticism, praise or neutrality), weighted for size (from local to global) of NGO(s) involved.

Typical Reputational Impact score per campaigning action ranges 10 to 20 points but can be in hundreds if many big NGOs in multiple countries involved.

**SIGWATCH logs over 500 NGO actions every month.**

# NGO sentiment map in 2011-2012

NGO sentiment 2011-2012

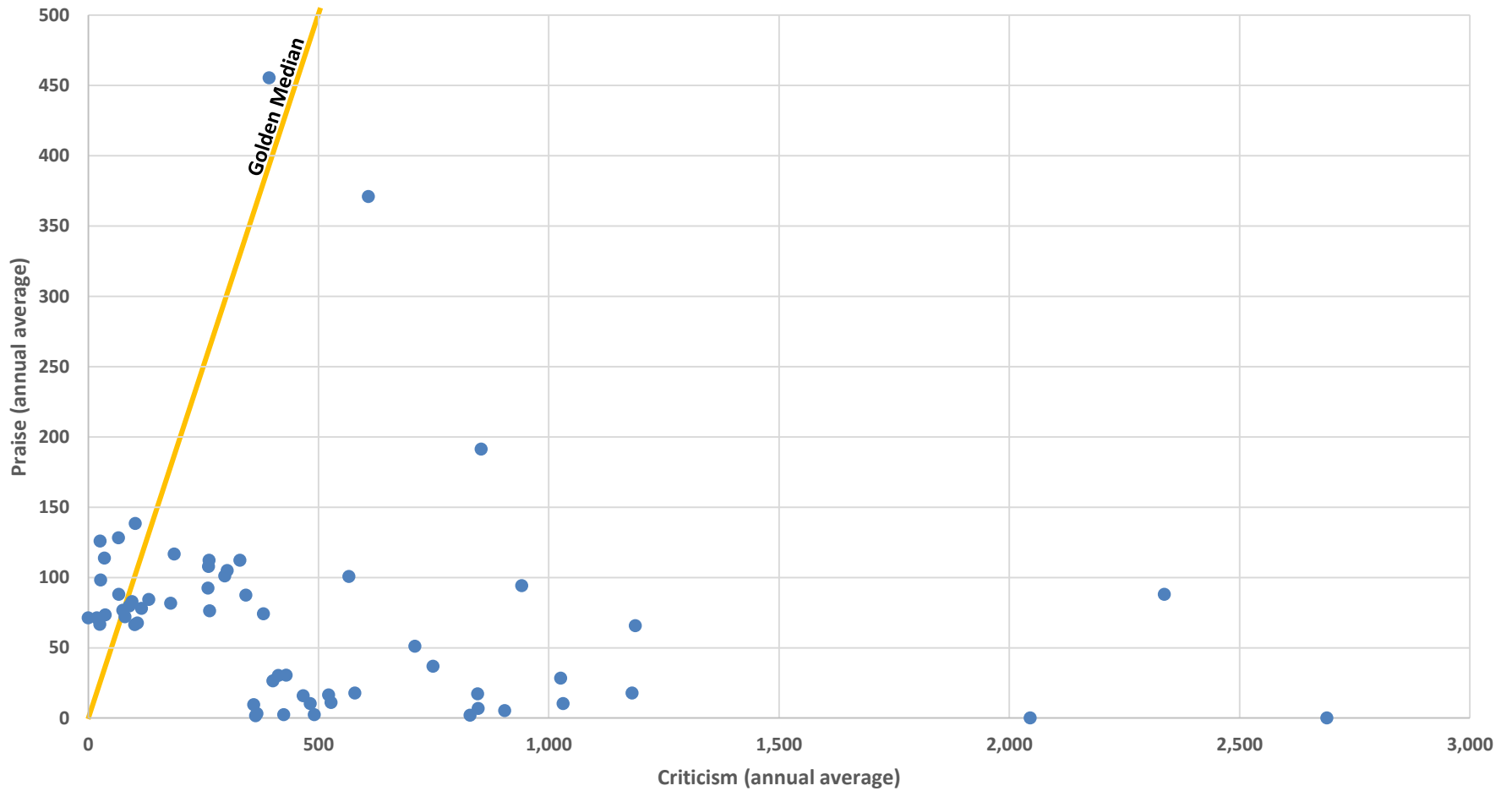


Map plots 80 most praised or criticised corporates



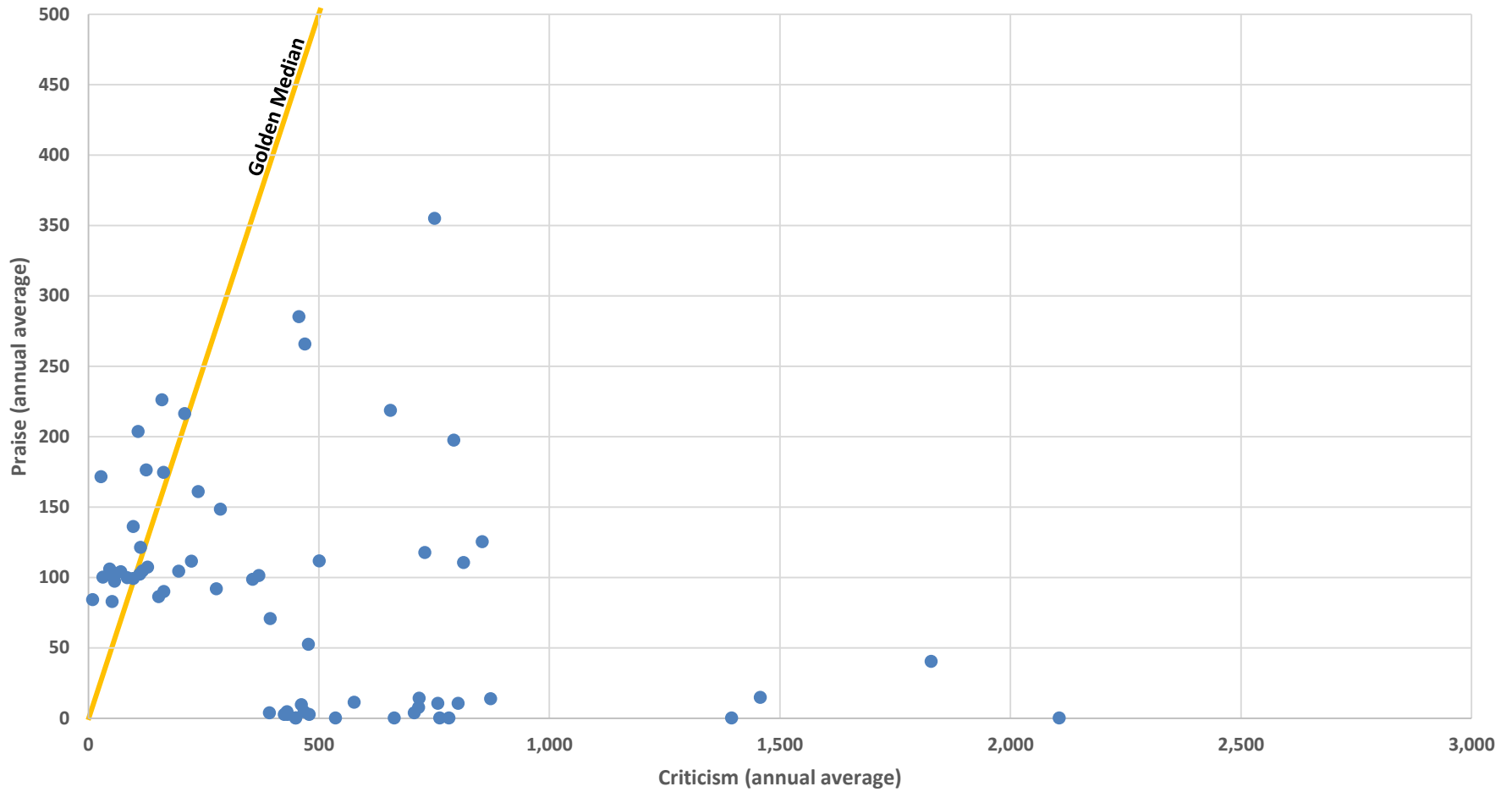
# An evolving picture: 2013-2014

NGO sentiment 2013-2014



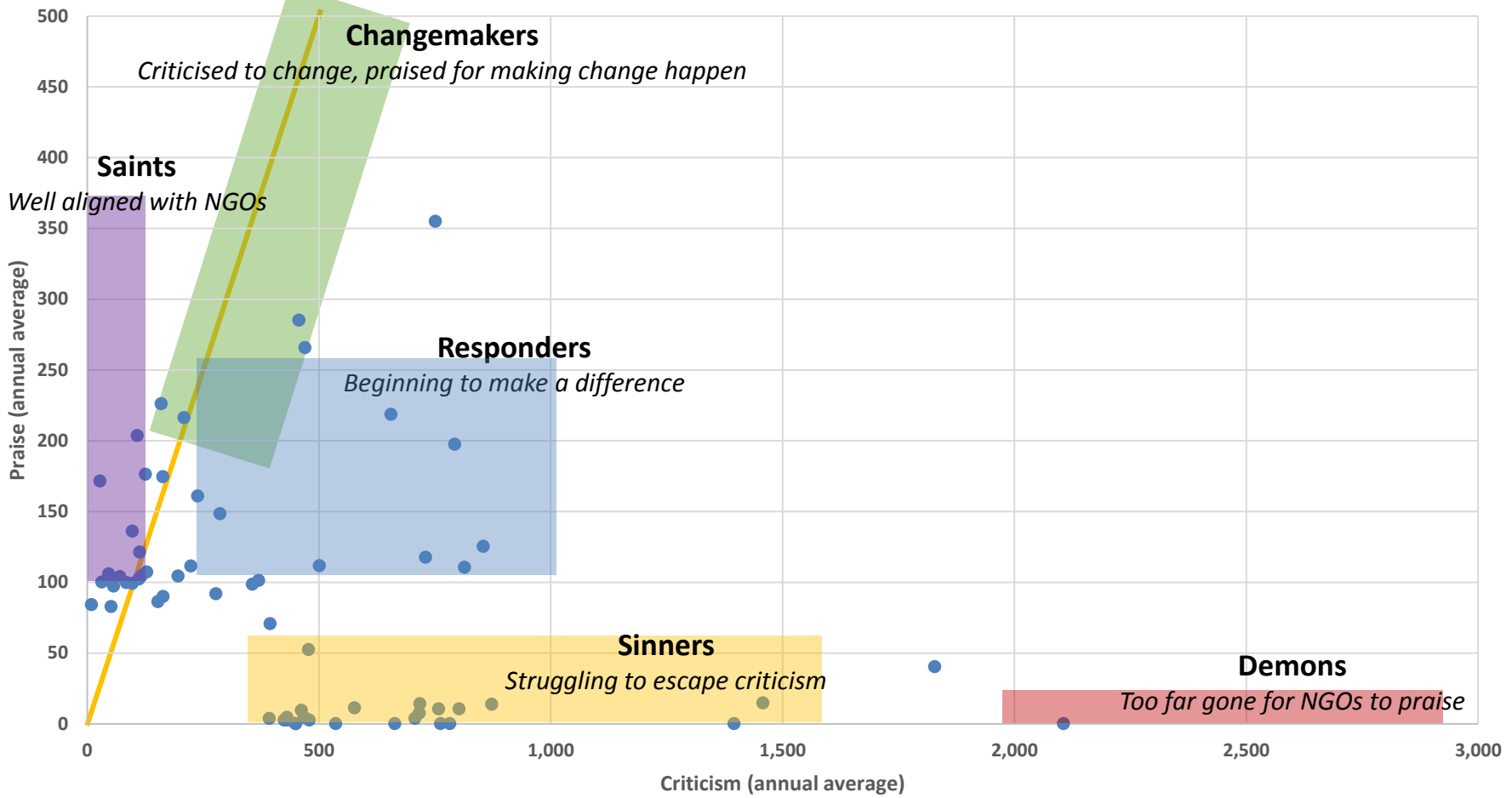
# Still evolving: 2015-2016

NGO sentiment 2015-2016



# Making sense of this distribution: sentiment types

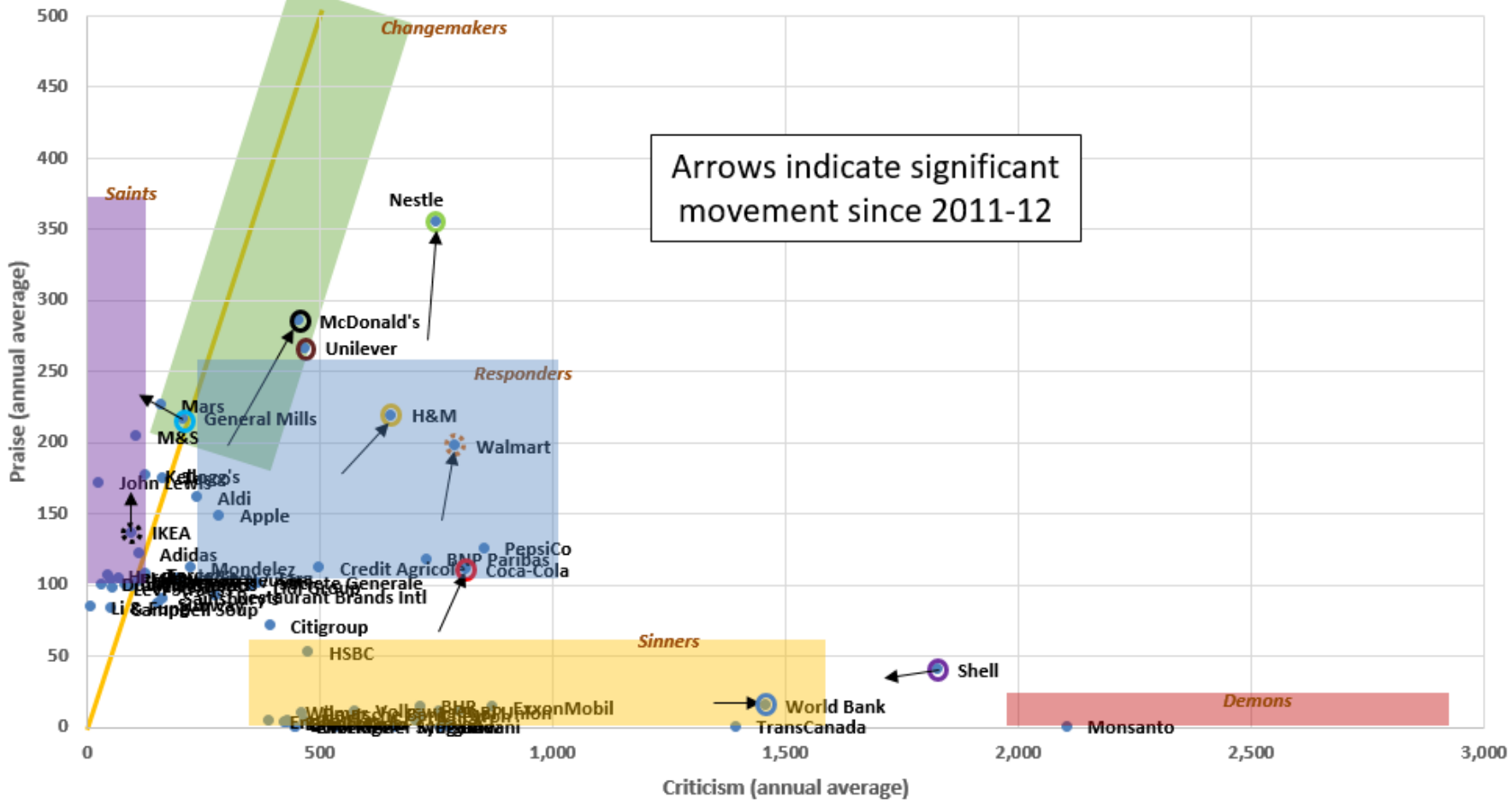
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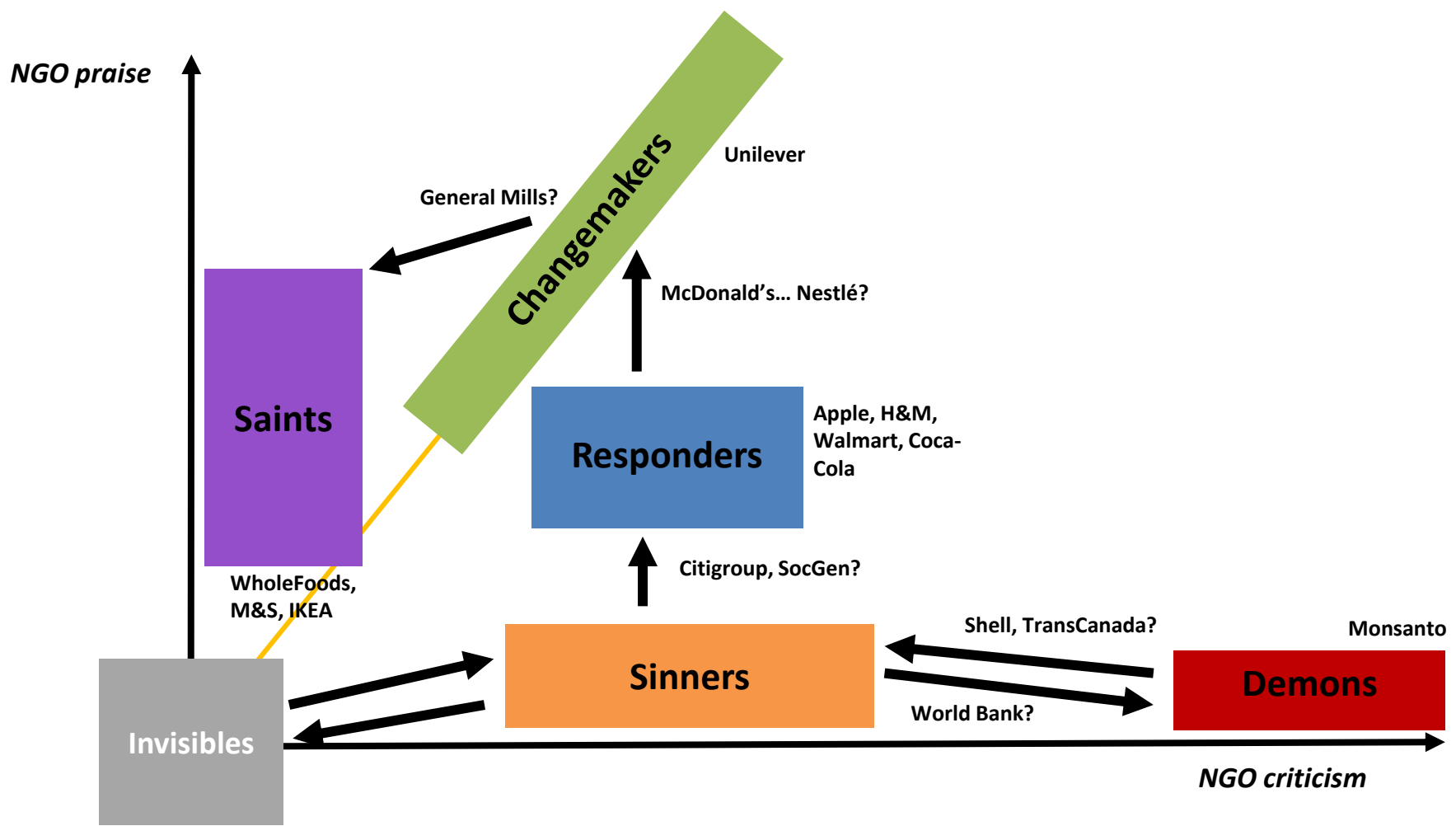
# NGO sentiment is dynamic

NGO sentiment 2015-2016



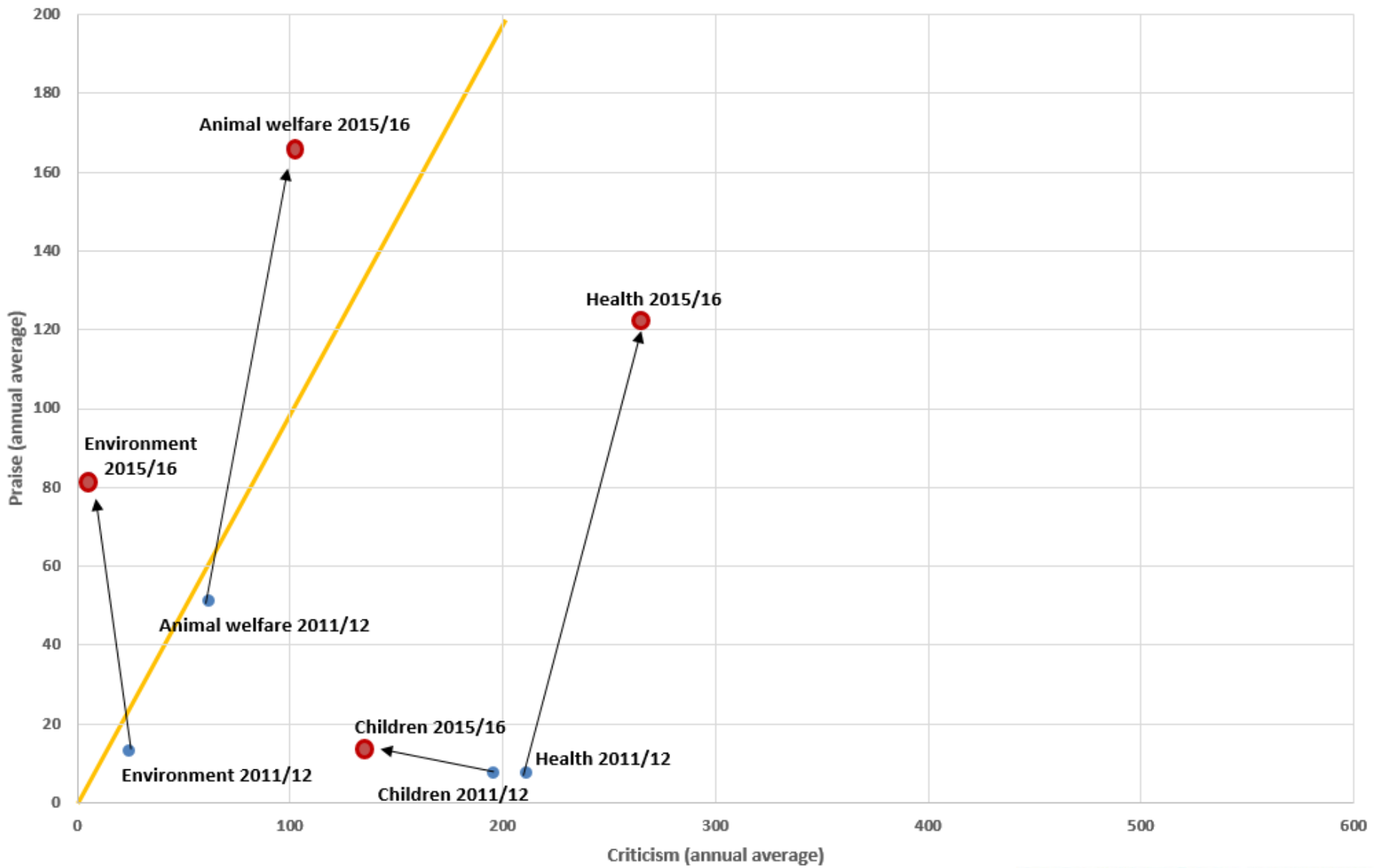
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# NGO sentiment pathways revealed



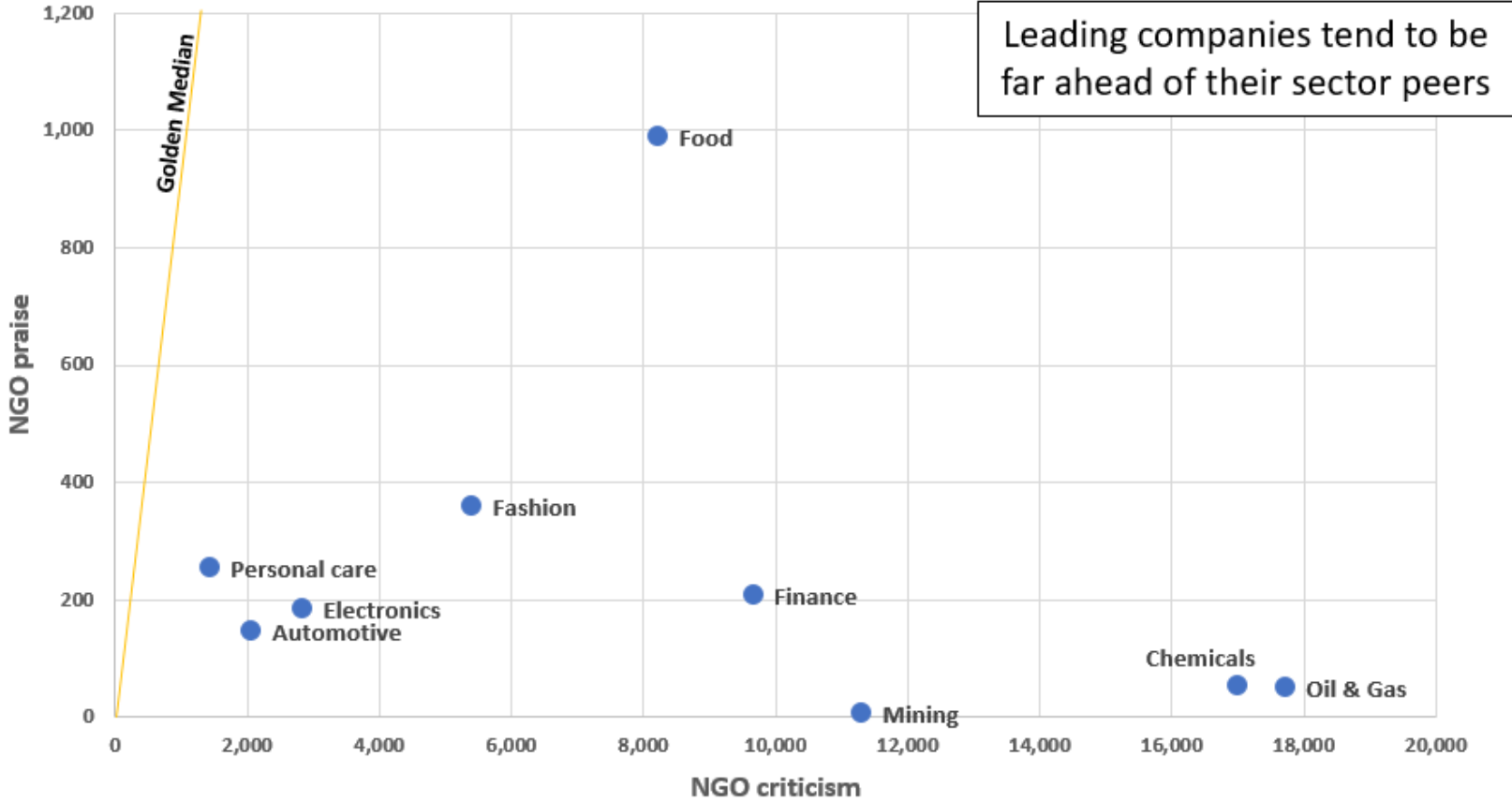
# Mapping by issue over time: McDonald's

NGO sentiment: McDonalds



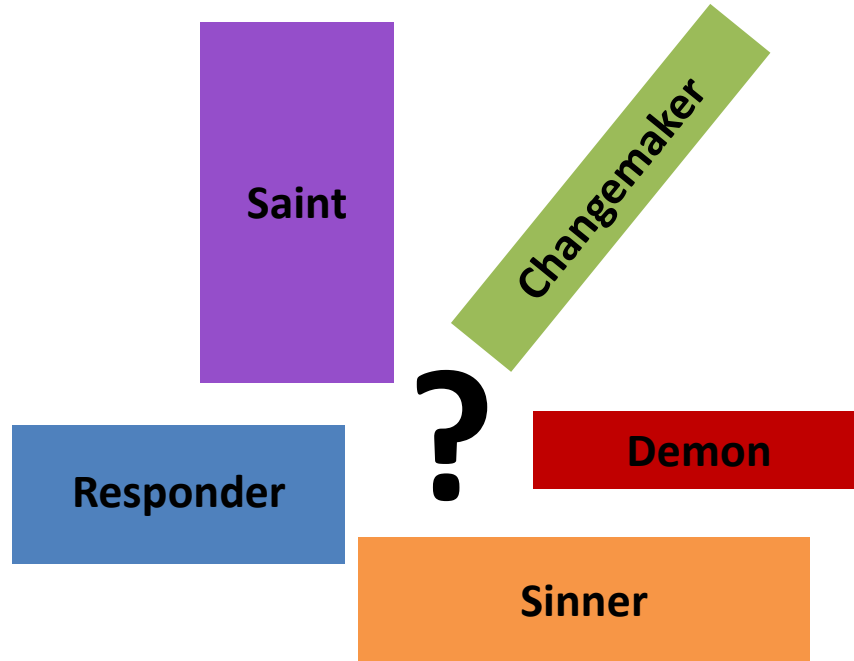
# Mapping sectors

NGO sentiment map for industry sectors, 2016









**Which one are you?**



## Moving the NGO Needle

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Director, Issues Management & State Government Relations  
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July 2017

# General Mills: Serving the World by Making Food People Love

- Our brands are adored in 100 markets on six continents
- Our team of 39,000 employees brings passion & creativity to work each day
- We're one of the largest makers of natural and organic foods in the U.S.

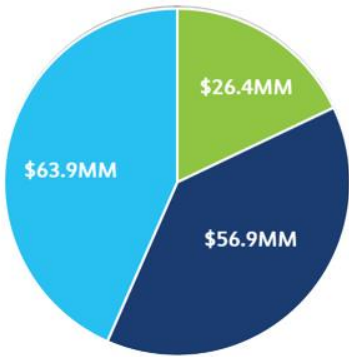


# Focused, Effective Philanthropy

## Total Company Giving

**\$147.2MM**

- Foundation
- Food Donations
- Corporate Contributions



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| INCREASING<br><i>food security</i>                | ADVANCING<br><i>sustainable agriculture</i>                            | STRENGTHENING<br><i>hometown communities</i>             |
| Expanding food access for families & communities. | Empowering growers, protecting habitat & conserving natural resources. | Strengthening our hometown communities around the globe. |
|   |  |  |

## Global Focus Areas

# Sustainability Efforts – Treat the World with Care



## Our Farmers

Our business thrives when smallholder farmers and their communities thrive.



## Our Planet

The health of our business depends on the health of our planet.

healthy  
watersheds



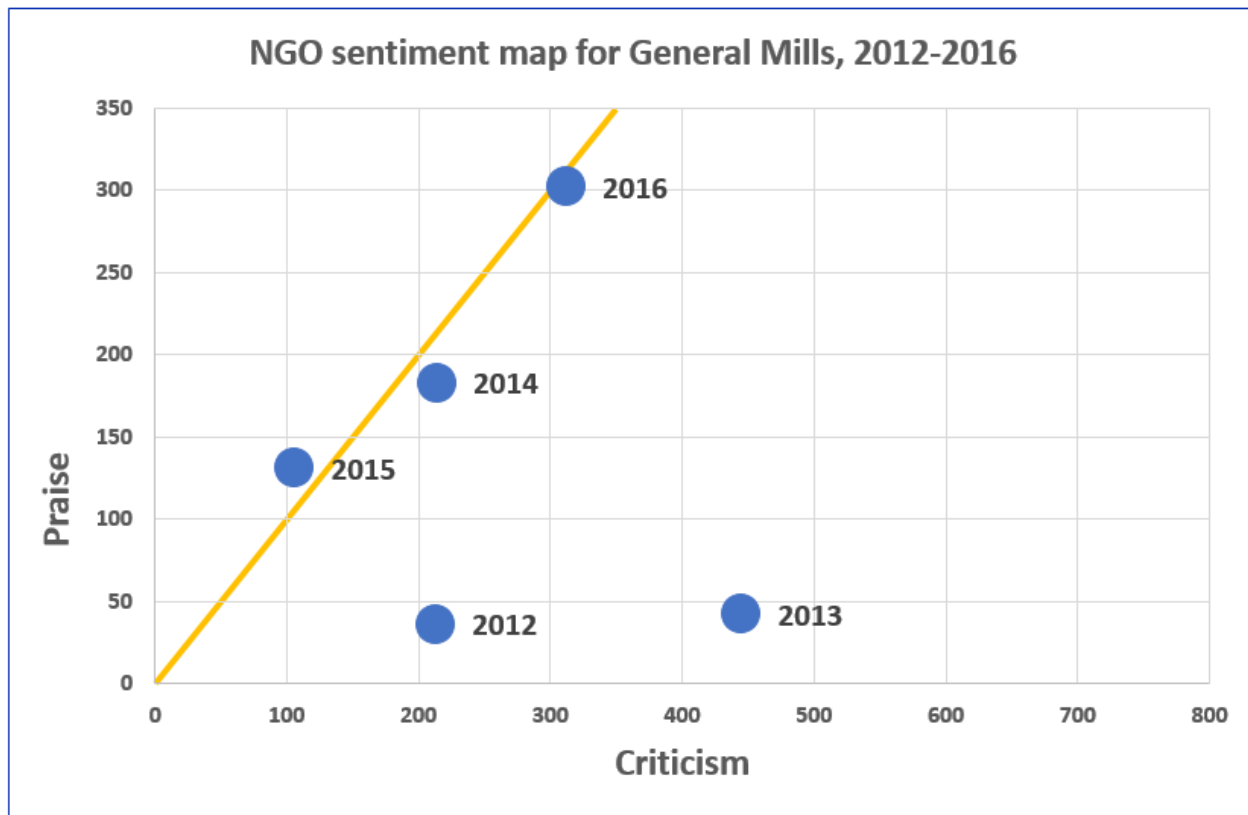
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climate



strong  
ecosystems



- 2012-2013 – U.S. GMO Labeling
- 2014 – commitments on palm oil, GHG and water stewardship
- 2015 – radical new commitment on GHG – first CPG to commit supply-chain wide
- 2016 – pollinators, 100% sustainable palm oil

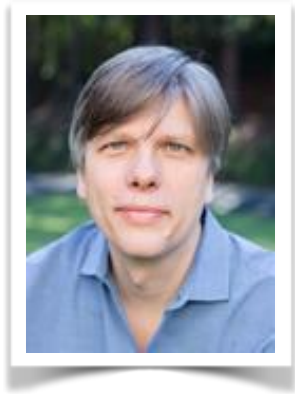


# Issues Management & Stakeholder Engagement: Focused, Results-Driven Efforts

- Dedicated staff leading global, cross-functional teams
- Identify, Analyze, Prioritize, Act
- Global stakeholder mapping
- Collaborative, transparent, engaging



# Panel Discussion & Audience Q&A



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