



COPA – Steering Committee Election Information: Private Sector Member Group

June 2025, mandate period 2025-2027

COPA STEERING COMMITTEE – ELECTION INFORMATION

In accordance with the [Governance Statues](#) from COPA, the following rules apply for the election:

- ✓ Candidates are elected for a mandate period of two years. The current election is for the Mandate Period: June 2025 to June 2027
- ✓ Each COPA member can cast 1 (one) vote only, please coordinate internally
- ✓ COPA Members can *only* vote on representatives in their *own Member Category*:
 - This file contains information about the 4 Candidates from the Private Sector member group
- ✓ [Tasks and responsibilities of the Steering Committee \(SC\)](#) are described in a pdf-file. (click link)
- ✓ The elected Steering Committee will be announced at the COPA Plenary Session on July 2nd, 2025.
- ✓ If you need further information about the election, kindly contact the COPA Secretariat via mail: contact@copalliance.org or consult the [COPA Website](#).

VINCENT DE BADEREAU

Steering Committee Candidate – private sector: [CLIMALIFE](#)

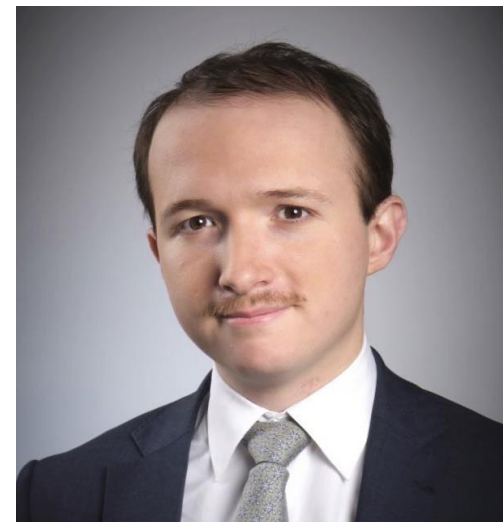
With a background in general engineering specialising in Energy & Environment, I have gained experience in waste management and then in the refrigerant sector. I closely followed the revision of the European F-gas regulation and was responsible for the work carried out by the EPEE Task Force on LRM.

I finally joined Climalife in January 2025 to strengthen the circular economy team with Laurent Guégan, Circular Economy manager and president of ADC3R (French association of companies Distributing, Filling (ADC) Recovering and Reclaiming Refrigerants (3R)).

Climalife: As an expert in eco-efficient solutions, Climalife offers a wide range of tailor-made products and services, particularly for refrigerants. Climalife supports its customers in the design, management and maintenance of their equipment, with a focus on innovation, energy performance and sustainable development. Climalife excels in its commitment to the circular economy, particularly through the recovery and regeneration of refrigerants.

My top 3 priority for the COPA SC work:

1. Improve COPA's visibility and image.
2. Improve access to knowledge on LRM practices for all stakeholders.
3. Put in light success stories and challenges for LRM around the world.



SAMUEL JACOBS

Steering Committee Candidate – private sector: [ENERGY PARTNERS REFRIGERATION](#)

Samuel is passionate about innovative ways of value creation, sustainable access to value, and inclusive economic growth. His interest in policy, finance and business models stems from his work in the African cold chain where the preservation of food for safe human consumption is not only an engineering and economic activity, but one that addresses an environmental and humanitarian crisis.

He is currently the programme lead for South Africa's demonstration pilot programme to phase-out hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs) out of refrigeration and ventilation systems and introduce natural refrigerants as part of South Africa's obligation towards the Montreal Protocol. Samuel works with the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) and The Department of Forestry, Fisheries and The Environment (DFFE) on this national programme.

Energy Partners Refrigeration: Cooling systems are essential in a range of applications like air-conditioning, vaccine preservation, food production, industrial processes, and data centres. However, they do contribute to GHG emissions and with the global commitment to sustainable energy solutions, Energy Partners Refrigeration's mission is to realise a sustainable change in the way cooling energy is understood, funded, and consumed in the world.

My top 3 priority for the COPA SC work:

1. Promote the dialogue on an inclusive transition from ODS & HFC technologies for end-users at base markets.
2. Identify/ develop business models to unlock Private Sector participation in base markets for a technology transfer.
3. Strengthen government participation w.r.t policy framework development and monitoring and enforcement thereof.



ADRIAN BUKMANIS

Steering Committee Candidate – private sector: VERIDIEN REFRIGERANT MANAGEMENT

I came to understand the problem of refrigerant emissions after founding an energy efficiency firm in Southeast Asia. By working with cooling and refrigeration projects on the ground, I developed an appreciation for the multitude of challenges that exist. With this experience and awareness, I decided to focus solely on the environmental issues related to refrigerants.

I believe within COPA we have much of the knowledge, tools and collective experience available to address the problem. We know largely what needs to be done. We need to pull together quickly behind the right efforts, those that are backed by science and are going to deliver maximum environmental gains in the quickest steps

Veridien (Singapore, Australia): provides advisory, training and technology for life-cycle refrigerant management. We offer services to help develop accurate inventories, emissions calculations and leak mitigation. We place a strong focus on refrigerant selection using natural refrigerants to avoid increasing HFC and HFO banks and tracking their use through end-of-life. Regular thoughts on the refrigerant and f-gas topic also at <https://fluoridated.substack.com/>

My top 3 priority for the COPA SC work:

1. The number one objective must be containment (alongside preventing the banks growing). To prevent all fluorinated refrigerants reaching atmosphere. Whether from cooling or foams. Recovery and containment puts the emergency brake on the problem and buys time to further develop EOL solutions.
2. Ensuring that we don't re-invent the wheel. There has been lots of good work done already that can be built on and leveraged. The priority is speed, and to work out what can be delivered quickly with maximum impact (best bang for buck)
3. Working on ways to ensure the longevity and effectiveness of COPA. There are many climate solutions battling for attention. I believe it is important to find new and innovative ways to raise the awareness and profile of the organization, and the critical work that still needs to be done.



ANTONY LOZANO

Steering Committee Candidate – private sector: [ECOSAVE](#)

Industrial engineer dedicated to sustainability and deeply passionate about driving positive change in the refrigeration industry and environmental protection. I aspire to lead initiatives that promote sustainable solutions and strengthen international cooperation in refrigerant management.

ECOSAVE: Ecosave is a Mexican company established in 2016, although our expertise in refrigerant management dates back to 2012, when we successfully recovered a significant quantity of CFCs that were responsibly destroyed. Today, we are committed to bridging gaps that hinder proper refrigerant management in Mexico by fostering strategic alliances and close collaboration with government agencies and the private sector, in alignment with the goals of the Kigali Amendment..

My top 3 priority for the COPA SC work:

1. Foster strong collaboration among sectors to strengthen the refrigerant
2. Enhance COPA's presence and recognition across key sectors, with a focus on education, technical training, and the refrigeration industry.
3. Develop innovative projects and replicable models to create a global positive impact.





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