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Paul Fuchs has extensive experience in Corporate Governance, both in the corporate world and in the not-for-profit environment. With a background in law and finance, he has served as chairman of the audit and investment committees in major non-profit organizations. He has lived and worked not only in the Netherlands but also in the US, France and Belgium, and speaks Dutch, English, French and German.

Mr. Fuchs spent most of his corporate career with DSM, the Dutch-based life sciences and performance materials' company. DSM, with sales of €9 billion, is well-known for its transparency and reliability, and is the global leader in the Dow Jones Sustainability index in its category. Mr. Fuchs served in his early assignments at DSM as VP Finance in one of its divisions then as Corporate Treasurer. Subsequently; he spent the bulk of his career as DSM's Corporate Secretary, serving both as secretary to the Managing Board and secretary to the Supervisory Board, until his retirement at the end of 2009.

In the not-for-profit world he has served on Boards throughout his corporate career, including large mental health institutions and museums; he also has served as chairman of various audit committees. He is currently a member of the Investment Advisory Panel of WFP (World Food Programme) and the Advisory Investment Committee of WHO (World Health Organization).

Mr. Fuchs was a member of the Conference Board's European Council on Corporate Governance for some 10 years, and is currently its Senior Advisor. Paul Fuchs studied commercial law at Leyden University (the Netherlands) and holds an MBA degree from Stanford Business School.

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