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Bert De Graeve
Chairman of the Board of Directors
Bekaert

Bert De Graeve (°1955) started his career in 1980 with Arthur Andersen & Co. He joined Alcatel Bell in 1982 in the Finance Department. In 1991 he became General Manager Shanghai Bell Telephone Equipment Mfg. Cy in Shanghai.

In 1994 he was appointed Vice President, Director Operations, Alcatel Trade International in Paris and in 1996 as Director International Affairs, Alcatel Alsthom in Paris. In 1996 he transferred to the Flemish Public Radio & TV Broadcaster (VRT) and became Managing Director VRT. In 2002 he left the VRT and joined Bekaert where he took up the assignments of Chief Financial and Administration Officer and General Secretary. Bert De Graeve was appointed CEO of Bekaert in May 2006. He stepped up to become Chairman of Bekaert in May 2014.

Bert De Graeve is Chairman of the Board of Directors of Telenet and SCR-Sibelco. He is an independent director of UCB. Bert De Graeve is a member of the International Business Leaders' Advisory Council for the Mayor of Shanghai (IBLAC). He is also member of the Board of the Concours Reine Elisabeth.

Bert De Graeve has a Master in Law from the University of Ghent (1980). He also studied Financial Management at IPO (Antwerp) and became Master in Tax Management at VLEKHO (Brussels).

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