

Programme

Professional Boards Forum

Wednesday 14 May 2014 from 2.30pm
By Invitation Only

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2.30pm

Registration

Introductions for chairmen and women NEDs over coffee/tea

3.00pm

Welcome to the Professional Boards Forum

Elin Hurvenes and Jane Scott

Keynote speakers

Sir Roger Carr
Chairman, BAE Systems plc

Val Gooding
Chairman, Premier Farnell plc

3.30pm – 6.00pm

Simulated Board Meeting

Sitting round 'board tables' of chairmen and women NEDs, you will discuss the governance, financial and strategic issues presented by a challenging case specially developed for the Forum.

6.00pm – 7.00pm

Reception: Drinks and canapés

Venue:

PwC
7 More London
London SE1 2RT

Leading FTSE chairmen and board members who are committed to appointing talented women to UK boards will be participating in the Forum. These include Donald Brydon, Sir Roger Carr, Val Gooding, Dennis Holt and Ian Barlow.

Launched in the UK in 2009 by founder Elin Hurvenes and Jane Scott, the Professional Boards Forum brings together chairmen and women with the skills and experience for Non-Executive Director (NED) roles.

At our innovative events, a 'Simulated Board Meeting' gives talented women a unique opportunity to show their understanding and judgement of complex strategic, governance and financial problems, demonstrating the strengths they could bring to a board in the future. The Forum creates a friendly environment where women can meet and impress business leaders who influence appointments to UK boards.

So far our alumnae have been appointed to more than 60 NED positions and further appointments are in the pipeline.

More than 80 chairmen from FTSE 100 and FTSE 250 companies and private equity firms have participated in the Forum, including Sir Dick Olver, Sir Peter Gershon, Glen Moreno, Sir John Parker, Dame Helen Alexander, Baroness Hogg, Alison Carnwath, Lesley Knox, David Tyler, Sir John Buchanan and Sir Mike Rake.



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What our supporters say about the Forum:

"The Professional Boards Forum has got it just right - relevant, well structured, thoughtful and providing real value added."

Donald Brydon, Chairman, Royal Mail

"However good you are, if you are invisible you won't get onto the radar. If you are not on the radar you are unlikely to get the job - networking is part and parcel of the NED role."

Sir Roger Carr, Chairman of Centrica plc, President of CBI

"I enjoyed the Forum and was pleased to meet and work with some very able candidates."

Sir Philip Hampton, Chairman, RBS Group plc

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