

# Professional Boards Forum

Thursday 21 November 2013

## Programme

2.30pm

### Registration

Introductions for chairmen and women NEDs over coffee/tea

3.00pm

### Welcome to the Professional Boards Forum

Elin Hurvenes, Founder & Chair

### Keynote speakers

#### Peter Wakkie

Chairman, Supervisory board, Wolters Kluwer

#### Tineke Bahlmann

Board member, ING Group

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:

Shell Head Office, Carel van Bylandtlaan 2596 HR, Den Haag

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The Professional Boards Forum is proud to invite leading chairmen and board members who are committed to appointing talented women to board roles. We are delighted to announce our keynote speakers Peter Wakkie, Supervisory board Chairman of Wolters Kluwer and Tineke Bahlmann, board member at ING Group.

Launched in Norway in 2003 by Elin Hurvenes the Professional Boards Forum brings together chairmen and women with the skills and experience for Non-Executive Director (NED) roles. The Forum is also well established in the UK where FTSE100 chairmen regularly attend.

At the innovative Forum 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 in the Netherlands.



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### What participants say about the Forum:

"I greatly enjoyed the last Forum event and met several candidates who will make excellent board members. I was not surprised to hear one of them has already got her first board appointment."  
Frans Cremers, Vice-Chairman, Nederlandse Spoorwegen NV

"The event is a wonderful way to meet the right people and for me it achieved what I was looking for."  
Marie-Renee Bakker, Manager Corporate Finance, World Bank

"The Professional Boards Forum offers an attractive concept to improve gender diversity and we are delighted to support the Forum in The Netherlands."

Dick Benschop, CEO Shell Netherlands

