

Candidate Board Members



Agnès Touraine

Mrs. Agnès Touraine is CEO of Act III Consultants, a management consulting firm dedicated to digital transformation.

Previously, Mrs. Touraine served as Chairman and CEO of Vivendi-Universal Publishing (video games and publishing), a \$4.7 billion company, after having spent 10 years with the Lagardère Group as Head of Strategy and CEO of the mass market division and five years with McKinsey.

She graduated from Sciences-Po Paris and Columbia University (MBA). She sits on the Boards of Rexel SA, Tarkett SA, GBL, SNCF (since January 2020) and previously Darty Plc as well as Neopost SA.

She is also sitting on non-profit organizations board such as The French-American Foundation and IDATE.

Until July 2019 she has been Chairwoman of the Board of Directors of IFA (French Governance Institute).



Catherine Vandenborre

Mrs. Catherine Vandenborre is Chief Financial Officer at Elia. Previously, she was a member of the Executive Committee of APX-EINDEX, the Anglo-Dutch gas and electricity exchange based in Amsterdam, and CEO of Belpex. She began her career at Coopers & Lybrand as an auditor.

Mrs. Vandenborre is member of various Boards, including Contassur, an insurance company.

She holds a degree in Business Economics from the UCL as well as degrees in Tax Law and Financial Risk Management.



Stefaan De Clerck

Mr. Stefaan De Clerck is Chairman of the Proximus Board of Directors since 20 September 2013.

He chairs the Proximus Joint Committee, the Proximus Pension Fund and the Proximus Art ASBL/VZW.

He is board member of the Proximus Foundation and of Connectimmo.

He is also member of the Orientation Council of Euronext, of the Strategic Committee of FEB/VBO, of the BBR (Benelux Business Roundtable) and of the Bureau of Eurometropole Lille-Kortrijk-Tournai.

Before Proximus, he served as a Member of the Belgian Parliament from October 1990 until October 2013. From June 1995 until April 1998 and from December 2008 until December 2011 he was the Belgian Minister of Justice. From 1999 until 2003 he was President of CD&V, the Flemish Christian-Democratic Party.

He was the Mayor of the city of Kortrijk (Belgium) from January 2001 until end-December 2012. Mr. De Clerck holds a Master's degree in Law from the Catholic University of Leuven.



Béatrice de Mahieu

From 2019 until September 2021, Béatrice de Mahieu was the CEO of Co.Station Belgium (a tech startup co-working and innovation hub) where she created and developed the open innovation business line (including open innovation ecosystems like IO.energy, co.mobility, co.food, co.building). She is now Head of Innovation at Nova Reperta.

Since the start of her career in 1999, Béatrice de Mahieu has worked successively for large telecom, tech and media companies (Telenet, Microsoft, Elle Belgium...) where she contributed to the growth strategies and digital transformation.

As of 2011, Béatrice de Mahieu started to work as a mentor and investor for technological and digital startups and guided them in their search for investors, the development of their strategy and the growth of these young companies.

Béatrice de Mahieu is currently a board member of Fintech Belgium, Ambassify, Slim Regio Vlaanderen and Agoria Brussels and an external innovation board member

for NMBS and Elia Group. She is also a co-investor in the Internet Attitude investment fund.

Being deeply socially engaged in the matter of digital inclusion, she regularly shows support and help towards initiatives related to this matter at the King Boudewijn Foundation and is board member of We Tech Care and United Fund for Belgium.

Béatrice de Mahieu has a degree in Applied Communication – Advertising at the Institute for Higher Social Communication Studies (IHECS) and is co-author of “Pimento Map: evaluate the strength of your business plan” (2014) and “Shiftmakers: L’Art du (self)leadership dans les années 2020” (2022)



Audrey Hanard

Audrey Hanard is an Associate Partner at Dalberg Global Advisors, a mission-driven strategy advisory firm focusing on sustainable impact. She works with her clients, who are NGOs, UN agencies, governments and foundations to improve educational and employment outcomes globally by developing, implementing and measuring impactful strategies in support of inclusive development. In doing so she leverages 10+ years of experience advising corporate, government and philanthropic clients on those topics as a manager with McKinsey & Co, and with Telos Impact. Audrey Hanard is currently the Chair of the Board of Directors of bpost, the leading Belgian postal and e-commerce operator working with 36,000 staff worldwide. She is also the President of Be education, an organization supporting initiatives that contribute to improving the quality of education in Belgium. She previously was President of the Friday Group, a think tank of young Belgian talents from different professional backgrounds determined to inspire Belgian policy through diversity. Audrey Hanard holds a MSc in Business Engineering from the Université Libre de Bruxelles (Solvay Brussels School, ULB) and a Master of Public Administration from Columbia University (School of International and Public Affairs).



Claire Tillekaerts

Since October 2006, Claire Tillekaerts has been the general manager of Flanders Investment & Trade, the government agency supporting Flemish companies in their effort to deploy business internationally abroad and assisting foreign companies seeking to set up business or expand operations in Flanders, the northernmost region of Belgium. From May 1st 2012 on, she was appointed CEO of FIT by the government of Flanders.

Claire Tillekaerts has been an independent barrister at the Ghent Court of Law for 2 decades, along with a six year academic teaching commission at Ghent University.

In 2001, she was commissioned to establish the law department at the Hogeschool Gent, in a bid to bring about the merger with other centers of higher education, an assignment combined a.o. with that of advisor at the creation of the Ghent University Association and with establishing international research fundings.

Claire Tillekaerts holds a Master's degree in law and a postgraduate degree in Management Studies.

She is member of the Board of Directors of the Nationale Delcrederedienst (Export Credit Agency), the Belgian Foreign Trade Agency (Vice-President), VLEVA (Flanders-Europe Liaison Agency), De Warande, Ghent University, CIFAL-Flanders, ORSI Academy and the Belgian National Orchestra and is President of the Board of Directors of the Flanders International Film Festival (Ghent), President of the Belgian National Bank Council of Regency and member of the Belgian National Bank Remuneration and Appointments Committee, even as member of the Belgian High Commission for International Exhibitions.