

## **Press Release**

## ESMA appoints a new member and reappoints two members to its Management Board

The European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA), the EU's financial markets regulator and supervisor, has appointed one new member and reappointed two members to its Management Board. The election took place at the Board of Supervisors meeting in Stockholm, on 17 May and the new member will take up their position on 1 July 2023.

The new member is:

Armi Taipale, Finanssivalvonta, Finland

She replaces outgoing member Derville Rowland, of the Central Bank of Ireland (CBoI), who will have completed two mandates as member of the Management Board on 1 July.

The members who have been reappointed are:

- Vasiliki Lazarakou, Ελληνική Επιτροπή Κεφαλαιαγοράς (HCMC), Greece;
- Jos Heuvelman, Autoriteit Financiële Markten (AFM), The Netherlands

The Management Board, chaired by Verena Ross, Chair of ESMA, is responsible for ensuring that the Authority carries out its mission and performs the tasks assigned to it under its founding Regulation.

From 1 July, the Management Board will consist of:

Verena Ross, European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA);

Thorsten Pötzsch, Bundesanstalt für Finanzdienstleistungsaufsicht (BaFin), Germany;

Vasiliki Lazarakou, Ελληνική Επιτροπή Κεφαλαιαγοράς (HCMC), Greece;

Rodrigo Buenaventura, Comisión Nacional del Mercado de Valores (CNMV), Spain;

Jos Heuvelman, Autoriteit Financiële Markten (AFM), The Netherlands

Eduard Müller, Finanzmarktaufsicht (FMA), Austria



Armi Taipale, Finanssivalvonta, Finland

Natasha Cazenave, European Securities and Markets Authority (non-voting),

Vojtěch Belling, Česká národní banka (CNB), Czechia, (non-voting), and

A European Commission representative (non-voting).



## **Notes for editors**

- 1. More information on the Management Board can be found here.
- 2. The Board of Supervisors is the main decision-taking body of ESMA, consisting of the heads of the 27 national supervisors chaired by Verena Ross, ESMA Chair
- ESMA is the European Union's EU's financial markets regulator and supervisor. Its
  mission is to enhance investor protection and promote stable and orderly financial
  markets.
- 4. It achieves this objective through three strategic priorities:
  - a. fostering effective markets and financial stability,
  - b. strengthening supervision of EU financial markets,
  - c. enhancing protection of retail investors,

and two thematic drivers:

- d. enabling sustainable finance; and
- e. facilitating technological innovation and effective use of data.
- 5. ESMA achieves its mission within the European System of Financial Supervision (ESFS) through active cooperation with the European Banking Authority (EBA), the European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority (EIOPA), the European Systemic Risk Board, and with national authorities with competencies in securities markets (NCAs).

## **Further information:**



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