

## Xior welcomes Colette Dierick and Conny Vandendriessche as new directors



### Colette Dierick and Conny Vandendriessche strengthen the Board of Directors of Xior

- The appointments of Colette Dierick and Conny Vandendriessche were approved at the General Meeting of 19 May 2022 and have now also been approved by the FSMA, allowing them to start.
- Xior welcomes two new high-profile directors and is convinced that they are the perfect addition to the current board team.
- Conny Vandendriessche represents a strong dose of entrepreneurship and will support Xior's European growth story with her own hands-on knowledge and experience as a successful European entrepreneur. Her extensive experience, especially in the field of Human Capital and supporting diversity (as an investor through We Are Jane), is an additional asset for Xior's ESG efforts in this area.
- After the departure of Leen van den Neste, Colette Dierick – again a highly experienced financial profile with knowledge of real estate investment and financing – joins the Board.
- In addition, the diversity of the Board of Directors is also increasing, as 3 out of 8 members (37.5%) are now female.
- Conny Vandendriessche, together with Marieke Bax and Christian Teunissen, will also become members of the Ethics & ESG Committee, a newly created committee of the Board of Directors that will focus specifically on these challenges. This new committee reinforces the previously announced acceleration of ESG efforts.

### Career Colette Dierick (non-Executive Independent Director):



Colette Dierick holds a degree in Civil Engineering from the UGent and started after her studies as a management trainee at ING, where she was active as CEO and Managing Director of ING Luxembourg until the end of June. Prior to that position, she was responsible among others for the Belgian Retail & Private Banking activities, Digital Channels and Marketing for ING Belgium and Record Bank. She is also a director at listed real estate investor and developer Nextensa.

### Career Conny Vandendriessche (non-executive independent director):

Conny Vandendriessche studied at the Vlerick Business School, Guberna and Stanford. She is the founder, and for a long time was the CEO, of Accent Jobs, which in the meantime evolved into The House of HR, where she is still active as a director and member of the ESG committee today. Mrs Vandendriessche also founded several other companies, such as Stella P. (a company specialised in the composition of boards of directors and advisory bodies) and We Are Jane (an investment fund specifically aimed at companies run by women). She holds directorships in Ardo NV and JBC NV, among others. In 2019 she was the winner of the Vlerick Enterprising Leader Award



Colette Dierick and Conny Vandendriessche have a seat on the Board of Directors for a period of 4 years and are also members of the Audit Committee and the Nomination and Remuneration Committee of Xior. Conny is also a member of the Ethics & ESG Committee of Xior.

### **New composition Board of Directors**

Wilfried Neven	Chairman Board of Directors
Colette Dierick	Independent Director
Conny Vandendriessche	Independent Director
Joost Uwents	Independent Director
Marieke Bax	Independent Director
Wouter De Maeseneire	Independent Director
Christian Teunissen	Executive Director (CEO)
Frederik Snauwaert	Executive Director (CFO)

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