

# Press release

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## **Fortis Bank Nederland (Holding) N.V. and Fortis Bank (Nederland) N.V. appoint new supervisory directors**

Fortis Bank Nederland (Holding) N.V. and Fortis Bank (Nederland) N.V. have appointed three new members to the Supervisory Board with effect from January 2008:

- Inge Brakman, Chairman of the Board of Commissioners of the Dutch Media Authority, member of the Supervisory Board of the University of Amsterdam, and Board Member of De Baak, Management Centre VNO-NCW
- Ada van der Veer-Vergeer, independent management consultant with wide experience of the banking sector, CEO of Currence and member of the Management Board of Achmea Bank Holding. Also member of the Supervisory Board of the Nederlandse Publieke Omroep and Stichting NOS and member of the British Telecom Advisory Board
- H el ene Vletter-van Dort, Professor of Financial Law at Erasmus University Rotterdam, former judge at the Enterprise Division of the Amsterdam Court of Appeal, and instructor to the Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets

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### **Structural Act**

The non-executive supervisory directors have been appointed on the recommendation of the Works Council. "I am convinced that these supervisory directors will further reinforce corporate governance at Fortis," says Tim op ten Noort, Chairman of the Works Council. Fortis is thus implementing the enhanced right of recommendation that the Works Council enjoys with respect to Fortis Bank Nederland (Holding) N.V. by virtue of the Structural Act. This Act gives the Works Council the right to recommend a third of the supervisory board members. The rest are appointed by Fortis Bank (Nederland) N.V.

Joop Feilzer was also appointed a supervisory director with effect from January. Mr Feilzer already holds several non-executive positions at Fortis. He also sits on the Supervisory Board of CTP Property N.V. and on the Board of Directors of Henderson EuroTrust PLC..

Chairman of the Supervisory Board Lex Kloosterman comments: "I am very pleased with the appointment of supervisory directors of such a high calibre and with the additional knowledge that they will bring to our Supervisory Board." The Dutch central bank (DNB) has already approved these appointments.

### **Members of the Supervisory Board of Fortis Bank Nederland (Holding) N.V. and Fortis Bank (Nederland) N.V. as of 8 January 2008 are as follows:**

Lex Kloosterman – Chairman

Inge Brakman

Filip Dierckx

Joop Feilzer

Ada van der Veer-Vergeer

Herman Verwilt

H el ene Vletter- van Dort

Camille Fohl will, upon DNB approval, also join the Supervisory Board of the above entities. His appointment is subject to the consent of the Works Council.

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A photograph of the new supervisory directors is available upon request

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