

Candidate Board Members



Martin DE PRYCKER

Mr. De Prycker is a managing partner of the Qbic Fund, an inter-university fund of 100 million euro, supporting university spin-off companies in Belgium.

Mr. De Prycker was CEO of Barco between 2002 and 2009. Under his leadership he focused on, and made the company grow in, markets using displays such as the medical, digital cinema, control and airline industry, and spinning off the non-core product lines such as graphics, textile and subcontracting. Prior to that, he was CTO and member of the Executive Committee of Alcatel-Lucent. Before becoming CTO of Alcatel-Lucent, Mr. De Prycker was responsible for establishing the company's worldwide market leadership in the broadband access market. Under his leadership, ADSL was transformed from a research project into a multi-billion dollar business for Alcatel-Lucent.

Between 2009 and 2013 Mr. De Prycker was CEO of Caliopa, a startup in silicon photonics, allowing the transport of hundreds of Gbps on optical fiber; Caliopa was acquired by Huawei in 2013.

He is also a member of the Board of directors of several companies, including EVS, Sentiance, Molecubes and EYEco eyeCO.

Mr. De Prycker holds a Ph.D. in Computer Sciences, a Master of Science in Electronics from the University of Ghent, as well as an MBA from the University of Antwerp.



Dominique LEROY

Mrs. Dominique Leroy has been Chief Executive Officer since January 2014 and presides over the Executive Committee of Proximus. She joined Proximus (formerly Belgacom) as Vice President of Sales for the Consumer Business

Unit in October 2011 and was appointed Executive Vice President of the Consumer Business Unit of Proximus in June 2012.

Prior to Proximus, Mrs. Leroy worked for 24 years at Unilever. She was Managing Director of Unilever Belux and member of Unilever's Benelux Management Committee. She previously held various positions in marketing, finance and customer development.

Mrs. Leroy is Chairwoman of the Boards of BICS and Be-Mobile and Chairwoman of the International Advisory Board of the Solvay Business School. She is an independent Board member at Ahold Delhaize and Compagnie de Saint-Gobain. She was also independent Board member at Lotus Bakeries until May 2018.

Mrs. Leroy holds a Master's degree in Business Engineering from the Solvay Business School.



Catherine RUTTEN

Mrs. Catherine Rutten is CEO of pharma.be, the association of innovative biopharmaceutical companies in Belgium since 2013. From 2003 to 2013 she has been Member of the Council of the Belgian Institute for Postal Services and Telecommunications, the Belgian regulator for electronic communications, for the postal market, the electromagnetic spectrum of radio frequencies, and media regulator in the Brussels-Capital Region. Prior to that, she worked as Director Regulatory Affairs at the Belgian branch of BT. She started her career as a lawyer, member of the Brussels Bar, in 1994. She is member of the board of Women on Board. Mrs. Rutten holds a Degree in Law from the University of Leuven and the University of Namur, a LL.M. in intellectual property law from the London School of Economics and Political Science and a LL.M. in European Law from the College of Europe.