



2012 ELECTIONS TO THE TII BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

At this year's Annual General Meeting, the Association will elect or re-elect members to the Board of Management from Belgium, Denmark, Greece, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal and the United Kingdom. The candidates are:

BELGIUM

Koen VERHAERT, CEO, Masters In Innovation, Verhaert New Products and Services NV, Kruibeke

DENMARK

Morten Dahlgaard ANDERSEN, Head of Section - SEA, AAU Innovation, Aalborg University, Aalborg (candidate for re-election)

GREECE

Dr. Theologos PROKOPIOU, Managing Director, I4G, Thessaloniki (candidate for re-election)

LUXEMBOURG

Dr. Raimund BROECHLER, Senior Delivery Manager, Intrasoft International, Luxembourg

NETHERLANDS

Arjan DE BRUIN, Director, Van der Meer & van Tilburg Innovation Consultants, Zeist (candidate for re-election)

PORTUGAL

Carlos CERQUEIRA, Knowledge Valorization and Innovation, Instituto Pedro Nunes, Coimbra (candidate for re-election)

UNITED KINGDOM

Gordon OLLIVERE, CEO, RTC North, Sunderland (candidate for re-election)

ELECTION PROCEDURE

According to the Association's statutes, Board members are elected by the members present or represented by proxy at the Annual General Meeting.

Corporate Members only have the right to vote in the election of all candidates (no geographical restrictions). Where for a particular country, there is more than one candidate for election, the candidate securing the highest number of votes shall be elected.

Voting by Proxy: Corporate Members, who will not attend the AGM, may ask another Corporate Member present at the meeting to vote on their behalf. If you wish another member to vote on your behalf, you must complete the Proxy Form and return it to the TII Secretariat by email, no later than **Tuesday 24 April**. The Association's Statutes specify (Article 16) that a voting member may exercise no more than **two proxies**.

Please do not nominate the Secretary General to exercise a proxy vote on your behalf. Not being a member of the Association, she is not empowered to vote.

CURRICULUM VITAE



Koen Verhaert

Position and Career

PRESENT POSITION

Chief Executive Officer at VERHAERT *MASTERS IN INNOVATION* a leading center for product innovation. VERHAERT helps companies and agencies to innovate creating new products and business in parallel.

- VERHAERT New Products & Services NV ; Executive Director
- VERHAERT Consultancies NV, Non Executive Director
- PO Invest CVA, Executive Director
- PO Management bvba, Executive Director
- NIKO Group NV , Non Executive Director
- NIKO Group NV Member of the audit committee.
- Vzw VIVIO Flemisch asociation of product design agencies, Director and founder.
- Sirris-Collective research center of innovation industries, Member of strategy board.
- Association University Ghent-IOF Industrial Innovation Fund, member of the board.
- VZW Flanders In Shape, Competence pool for product design, Member of the board.
- VIVIO, Flemish Association of product design agencies.

CAREER SUMMARY

- **Relevant experience**
- **1995 -2012** JORI NV, Wervik, Belgium, innovation & design consultant.
- **1997-1999** Verhaert, Project management technology transfer programmes, commercializing corporate space borne technologies and technologies of Flemish universities and research centers in innovative product concepts.
- **1998-2005** Non Executive Director , Verhaert Space NV , Belgian leading small space systems company (Now QinetiQ Space NV)
- **1999-2005** Director Future Business Development, Verhaert Consultancies NV , Holding for new technology business and product innovation companies.
- **2000 -2004** Co-Founder of "SME Space Alliance (SSA)"

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Betreft : **Motivation letter**

Dear Board members,

As a recent member of TII I want to express my candidature to follow-up Guido Giebens as a board member.

Over the last year TII has become a highly appreciated innovation network for our company, **VERHAERT** *MASTERS IN INNOVATION*. www.verhaert.com

The last two years have been quite turbulent for innovation society due to the financial and economic crisis in Europe. This context brings opportunities and challenges for all of us.

On one hand the need for innovation became widely recognized, on the other hand budgetary constraints are putting a break on innovation initiatives.

This has two consequences; innovation became a topic on the board level of companies resulting in the need for communication and alignment throughout operational, tactical and strategic levels in the organization, and secondly it urges the need for innovation to deliver and create an optimized return on investment in innovation.

Both are in my opinion key issues to which an international network as TII, providing best practices, insights and training, can contribute significantly.

Since 2005 our company has invested in the set-up of www.mastersininnovation.com, an open network to stimulate, to train and to facilitate new products and business innovation in Belgium.

It's our ambition use this local network to feed-in TII.

I'm highly motivate to contribute on above mentioned issues and thank you for considering my application.

I'm more than willing to further motivate my candidature to the board if requested.

Kind regards,

Koen Verhaert

Short Bio:



Dr. Raimund Bröchler has experience of more than 10 years in the Innovation and Technology Transfer field. After 4 years of research in Inorganic Chemistry at the University of Dortmund, Germany, he started 1997 as Alexander von Humboldt Post-Doc-Fellow at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, Canada. In 1999 he joined the Institute of Micro technique in Mainz (IMM GmbH) and was requested in 2000 to run the European Department of the Technology Foundation Hessen TSH GmbH, a regional Development Agency in the State of Hessen Germany. Dr. Bröchler joined INTRASOFT International as Project Director of the Innovation Relay Centre (IRC) Network Secretariat in 2004. Since 2006 Dr. Bröchler is managing the Innovation Projects department of INTRASOFT International as Senior Delivery Manager, covering projects like IRE Network Secretariat (Innovative Regions in Europe), IRC Network Secretariat (Innovation Relay Centres), Russian Federation project "Support to Innovative Russian Export-oriented SMEs", Euromed "Innovation and Technology Programme" and "Support to e-Ten National Contacts Points". Since 2008 Dr. Bröchler additionally created and coordinates the USA-EU Technology- and Business-Cooperation gateway "<http://www.us-eu-match.com>", a member of the Enterprise Europe Network. In 2008-2010 he provided -and is still delivering- consultancy services to Governments, National Developments Agencies or other Business Support Organisations in seven countries (Egypt, China, Brazil, Argentina, South Korea, Ukraine, Albania) in order to implement Innovation support, Technology Transfer and Business Cooperation Services within the country and connect them worldwide. In autumn 2009 he also took over the position as Project Director of two Europe Aid projects in Ukraine covering the area of technology transfer via "Support to knowledge based, innovative enterprises and technology transfer to business in Ukraine" and Innovation Policy via "Enhance Innovation Strategies, Policies and Regulation in Ukraine". In autumn 2011 he took over the coordination and management of a FP-7 IP Research Project (IMAGINE; Budget 10.6 Mio EURO) Innovative End-to-End Management of Dynamic Manufacturing Networks. Because of his experience in the field of Innovation-Support, Mr Bröchler is also the VICE-President of INSME (www.isnme.org) since July 2007. Since 2011, Mr Bröchler has a lectureship at the HTW Saarbrücken on Open Innovation.