ICGN Appoints Global Policy Director

London, United Kingdom, embargoed until 09:00 22 March 2023: ICGN is pleased to announce that Séverine Neervoort has been appointed as Global Policy Director, effective 1 May 2023.

This new position will enhance ICGN’s capacity to achieve policy goals in key geographies with relevant legislators, regulators, and standard setters on behalf of ICGN Members, who today collectively represent around $70 trillion in assets under management.

On commenting on the position, Kerrie Waring, ICGN’s CEO said: “Séverine joins ICGN at a time when robust standards of corporate governance are needed more than ever before to underpin long-term value creation, upon which we all rely. Capital markets are in crises as we face systemic events brought about by climate change, geopolitical disharmony, technological innovation, and more. ICGN Members rely on ICGN’s impartial, international, and collaborative guidance to help navigate these challenges and steer investment stewardship and strategies. In an environment awash with anti-ESG rhetoric, Séverine, as ICGN’s Global Policy Director, will help lead ICGN’s response by proactively engaging key stakeholders and developing guidance for our Members in fulfilling their fiduciary duties around the world.”

Séverine joins ICGN having spent five years at Norges Bank Investment Management (NBIM), where she led NBIM’s engagement with standard-setters and regulatory authorities globally. Prior to that she worked at Deutsche Bank in the Government and Regulatory Affairs Division. Holding a Master’s degree in European politics from the London School of Economics and Political Sciences and Sciences Po Paris, she also led the EU financial services practice at a public affairs firm in Brussels. A globally recognised authority on governance, stewardship, and sustainability matters, Séverine has deep expertise in policy decision-making and regulation worldwide.

On accepting the post Séverine said: “I am very excited to join the ICGN team. I have seen how ICGN’s nuanced and evidence-based policy positions have been instrumental in shaping better governance, stewardship and sustainability standards worldwide. I really look forward to working for such a purposeful organisation.”

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Note to Editors

About International Corporate Governance Network (ICGN)

Led by investors responsible for assets of around $70 trillion and based in over 40 countries, ICGN’s vision is for global capital markets supported by long-term financial value-creation through high standards of corporate governance and investor stewardship, contributing to sustainable economies, societies, and the environment.

ICGN convenes investors, companies, and stakeholders in pursuing this vision through the development, promotion and harmonization of governance and stewardship standards worldwide. This is achieved through an international work programme based around three core activities:

- Influencing public policy and market practice through the promotion of ICGN Principles, thought leadership and regulatory engagement.
- Convening impactful global events with unrivalled networking opportunities, knowledge sharing, guidance, and collaboration.
- Inspiring professional development in corporate governance and investor stewardship practice through high quality education.

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