

Press Release

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AMICE elects new President

During its Annual General Meeting organised in Ghent on 2 June alongside the biennial Congress, AMICE, the Association of Mutual Insurers and Insurance Cooperatives in Europe, elected, **Grzegorz Buczkowski**, current member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of AMICE as its new President for a term of three years. At the end of the AGM, Grzegorz Buczkowski said:

“It will be a great privilege to lead AMICE at a time when mutuality is taking steps to reclaim its rightful place at the heart of the insurance industry. Since the financial crisis of 2008, our premium and market share have steadily increased, which is a clear proof of our members’ growing trust in the business model of mutual and cooperative insurance. I look forward to working with our members and all stakeholders to ensure that the values of mutuality are appreciated and recognised for their contribution to the lives of our members, to our societies and economies throughout Europe.”

Grzegorz Buczkowski is CEO and member of the management board of [TUW SKOK](#) and TU SKOK Życie SA, the insurance companies of the Polish credit union system. He has 25 years’ experience in the Polish financial markets and credit unions, 21 of which in insurance. He has published on insurance and mutuality topics for the United Nations’ International Labour Organization, Bloomberg European Law Journal and Polish Cooperative Research Institute.

Grzegorz Buczkowski has been an AMICE Board member since the creation of the association in 2008 and was also Chair of the Communications working group until 2013 and then Chair of the [Promotion Commission](#).

Christophe Ollivier from FNMF, FR was elected Vice President and Wolfgang Weiler from HUK-Coburg, DE was re-elected at this position. Róbert Lilli (KÖBE, HU) was re-elected as Treasurer.

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About AMICE (Association of Mutual and Cooperative Insurers in Europe)

AMICE is the voice of the mutual and cooperative insurance sector in Europe. The Brussels-based association advocates for appropriate and fair treatment of all mutual and cooperative insurers in a European Single Market. It also encourages the creation and development of innovative solutions for the benefit of European citizens and society.

Mutual and cooperative insurance follows the principles of solidarity and sustainability and is characterised by customer-membership and democratic governance. The mutual business model, with its focus on using surpluses for the benefit of its members, is the natural way to provide insurance.

The close to 2,700 insurers united in the mutual and cooperative sector account for more than half of all insurance undertakings and for a market share of more than 30%. They provide cover for close to 400 million members/policyholders and employ more than 430,000 staff.

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