AMICE announces new Board member

The Association of Mutual Insurers and Insurance Cooperatives in Europe (AMICE), the voice of the mutual and cooperative insurance sector in Europe, announces that Oliver Schoeller was yesterday (7 September) confirmed as a Director on AMICE’s Board for a three-year term. Mr Schoeller was also elected as a Vice-President of AMICE during its Annual General Meeting.

Mr Schoeller was recently appointed as Chief Executive Officer of German mutual insurer Gothaer Versicherungsbank VVaG and Gothaer Finanzholding. He has 24 years’ experience in the European mutual and cooperative insurance sector.

“I am delighted to be confirmed in this role and to have the opportunity to provide a contribution to driving forward AMICE’s objectives and priorities at a particularly challenging time. The mutual/cooperative sector makes an important contribution to its policyholders and wider European society, providing security and stability. It is a story for today’s Europe. AMICE continues to push for the mutual/cooperative model to be better understood and respected”, Mr Schoeller said.

AMICE President Grzegorz Buczkowski (Saltus TUW, Poland) commented: “We are delighted that AMICE’s membership has approved the appointment of Mr Schoeller to the Board and as a Vice-President. German mutual insurers play a critical role in their country, protecting businesses and individuals alike. AMICE’s Board is looking forward to working with Mr Schoeller to ensure that the mutual insurance community in Germany and across Europe continues to be fully represented to European policymakers. I would like to thank his predecessor on the AMICE Board, Christopher Lohmann, for his deep support and assistance to AMICE during his time as a Director and Vice President.”

The full AMICE Board comprises:

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The Association of Mutual Insurers and Insurance Cooperatives 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 a 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.

More than half of all insurance undertakings in the EU are mutual and cooperative insurers which account for a market share of more than 32%. They provide cover for more than 420 million members/policyholders and employ nearly 440,000 people.

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