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# Press release

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## **Mr. J.M. Hessels appointed to Boskalis Supervisory Board**

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During today's Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders, Mr. J.M. Hessels was appointed to the Supervisory Board of Royal Boskalis Westminster N.V. for a four year term. He will also chair the Supervisory Board.

Mr. Hessels (68) fulfills the function of chairman of the Board of NYSE Euronext, Inc. and is member of the Supervisory Board of Heineken N.V. Mr. Hessels is also member of the International Advisory Board of SC Johnson Corporation and chairman of the Netherlands Committee for Economic Policy Analysis. Mr. Hessels has formerly occupied the position of Chief Executive Officer of Royal Vendex KBB N.V. Furthermore Mr. Hessels held various positions as director and supervisor of several other companies.

Mr. Hessels is considered to be very qualified to fulfill the function within the Supervisory Board due to his extensive management experience gathered within numerous of listed international companies.

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**Royal Boskalis Westminster N.V. is a leading global services provider operating in the dredging, maritime infrastructure and maritime services sectors. The company provides creative and innovative all-round solutions to infrastructural challenges in the maritime, coastal and delta regions of the world including the construction and maintenance of ports and waterways, land reclamation, coastal defense and riverbank protection. Boskalis offers a wide variety of marine services through SMIT and also has strategic partnerships in the Middle East (Archirodon) and in offshore services (Lamnalco). The company holds important home market positions in and outside of Europe. Boskalis has a versatile fleet of over 1,100 units and operates in around 65 countries across six continents. Including its share in partnerships, Boskalis has approximately 14,000 employees.**

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