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EBF CEO Wim Mijs to succeed Peter de Proft as chair of the European Parliamentary Financial Services Forum

BRUSSELS, 25 September 2018 – Wim Mijs, Chief Executive Officer of the European Banking Federation, on Tuesday was elected as Chairman of the European Parliamentary Financial Services Forum (EPFSF). His mandate will start on 26 September 2018, when he succeeds to Peter de Proft, Chief Executive Officer of the European Funds and Asset Management Association (EFAMA). Mr. Mijs has been appointed for a two-year term.

"I'm greatly honoured by the trust placed in me and look forward to taking over from Peter, who steered the EPFSF through times of profound regulatory changes for the European Financial Services Industry," said Mr. Mijs.

"As Europe remains faced with major challenges ahead, promoting a solid and competitive European Financial sector - able to finance growth in the context of increasing defiance against Europe and the Single Market - will feature high on the EPFSF agenda and events going forward," he said.

"To this end, the EPFSF will strive to re-invent itself in view of the new EU Parliament, and foster the key relationship the EPFSF and its members built with the parliamentarians."

Mr. Mijs has been CEO of the EBF since September 2014. Between 2007 and 2014 he served as CEO of the Dutch banking association NVB. During this time

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he transformed the NVB into a modern industry association, positioning it as the key representative of the banking sector in the midst of the financial crisis.

Mr. Mijs studied law at the University of Leiden in the Netherlands, specialising in European and International law. After his studies he worked for one year at the International Court of Arbitration at the Peace Palace in The Hague. In 1993 he joined ABN AMRO in Amsterdam before moving to Brussels to head up the bank's EU liaison office. He moved back to The Hague in 2002 where he became the Head of Government Affairs for ABN AMRO. Between 2011 and 2015 he served as Chairman of the International Banking Federation. From 2012 to 2014 he was Chairman of the Executive Committee of the EBF. From 2013 to 2015 he was President of the Board of Euribor, now known as the European Money Market Institute. he is married and has two children.

About the EPFSF:

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