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EBF-BCESA leadership re-elected for a second 3-year term

• Jens Thau, Michael Kammas continue to serve as Chair and Vice-Chair

BRUSSELS, 29 November 2019 - The Banking Committee for European Social Affairs (BCESA) within the European Banking Federation has re-elected Jens Thau and Michael Kammas for a second three-year term, allowing them to continue to serve respectively as chairman and vice-chairman.

EBF-BCESA represents the interests of private banking employers at the European level. Both Dr Thau, Director at the German Federation of private Banking, known as AGV Banken, and Dr Kammas, Director General of Association of Cyprus Banks, have held their offices at BCESA already since 2013.

"Their re-election brings continuity and consistency to the sectoral dialogue on our side as employers," said Wim Mijs, Chief Executive Officer of the EBF. "At a time of fundamental change in our sector such continuity is particularly important as it supports the constructive dialogue with our social partners."

The reappointed BCESA-Leadership underlined the increased involvement and significance of European social partner projects in the banking sector.

"In recent years we have reached a new level of quality in our collaboration with social partners," said Dr Thau. "We developed a common understanding regarding important topics like telework and digitalisation. With this we create true added value for the social partners at national level. We would like to consistently continue on this path."

"We intensively assess the effects of regulation for the daily actions and behaviour of our employees," said Dr Kammas. "With this we lay the foundation for a joint advocacy vis-a-vis regulators and banking supervisors."

BCESA represents the interests of employers in the private banking sector at the European level towards the social partners. These include UNI-Finance, the European Commission and other international organisations, including the International Labour Organisation, regulators, banking supervisors and standardization organisations.

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