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# **Europe's first Corporate Governance House established in Brussels**

Brussels, May 24, 2019 – The European Confederation of Institutes of Internal Auditing (ECIIA) and the European Confederation of Directors Associations (ecoDa) are setting up The Corporate Governance House and invites others to join.

Any organization with a clear Corporate Governance focus is welcome to join us. Together we will strengthen our efforts to foster good Corporate Governance in Europe and beyond.

If Corporate Governance is a central focus for both organizations, ECIIA and ecoDa will continue to serve their respective constituencies. The objective is to generate economies of scale and to increase the effectiveness of their services.

"With this initiative, ECIIA and ecoDa are developing their own co-working environment to encourage exchanges while remaining at the same time two separate entities with their distinct strategies. Both organizations have the common goal of enhancing Corporate Governance in Europe", explained Pascale Vandenbussche, ECIIA Secretary General.

"In today's world, small associations have to find innovative solutions to build capacity, face new challenges and remain sustainable. This project truly is a game-changer for our two associations, in the sense that it will stimulate new dynamics and synergies", said Béatrice Richez-Baum, ecoDa Director General.

Both organizations are now sharing the same premises and work infrastructures at Avenue des Arts 41, 1040 Brussels.

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## Notes to editors

## About the European Confederation of Directors Associations

The European Confederation of Directors Associations (ecoDa) is a not-for-profit association founded in December 2004 under the laws of Belgium. Through its 22 national institutes of directors (the main national institutes existing in Europe), ecoDa represents approximately 55,000 board directors from across the EU. ecoDa's member organizations represent board directors from the largest public companies to the smallest private firms, both listed and unlisted.

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## About The European Confederation of Institutes of Internal Auditing

The European Confederation of Institutes of Internal Auditing (ECIIA) is an international not-for-profit association founded in 2001. The ECIIA intends to be the consolidated voice for the profession of internal auditing in Europe, and to promote the role of internal audit and Enterprise Risk Management at large, to foster good corporate governance. In particular, the ECIIA deals with the European Union institutions, the European professional regulators and associations representing key stakeholders. Through its 34 national institutes of internal auditors, the ECIIA represents approximately 48.000 internal auditors.

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