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Market Movers



Welcome to our March issue of Market Movers which is a summary of recent Executive and Leadership Appointments.

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Aldi has announced the appointment of **Giles Hurley** as the new Chief Executive Officer for UK and Ireland, with effect from May 1st. He has been with Aldi for almost two decades, most recently as UK Group Managing Director.

American College Dublin announced that **Joseph Rooney** has been appointed as President and CEO with effect from June this year. Rooney previously served as Dean of the College of Hospitality Management at Lynn University in Boca Raton, Florida.

Avillion LLP has appointed **Mary Sheahan** as CFO. Sheahan worked with Elan for over 16 years and most recently worked with Perrigo as Senior Vice President Global Integration and Country Manager.

Bank of Ireland has announced a number of senior executive appointments:

Gavin Kelly has been appointed Chief Executive Officer, Retail Ireland. He has been with the Bank for 11 years and is currently the Group Chief Information Officer.

Tom Hayes has been appointed to the Group Executive Committee and will retain his role as Chief Executive Corporate Banking.

Sean Crowe has been appointed as Chief Executive of Markets and Treasury and will continue as a member of the Group Executive Committee.

Maureen Stanley has been appointed Group Chief Operating Officer on an interim basis. She is currently Group Head of Integrated Planning

Nikki Canavan has been appointed as Senior Director of Origination & Market Development. She has been with Bank of Ireland since 1999.

Bio-Marine Ingredients Ireland (BII) has appointed **Dan McSweeney** to its Board. McSweeney recently retired as Chief Executive Officer of Carbery Group.

CRH has announced the appointment of **Richie Boucher** to its Board as a Non-Executive Director. Boucher was Chief Executive Officer of Bank of Ireland, and worked with Royal Bank of Scotland and Ulster Bank prior to that.

Dechert LLP has appointed **Mark Dillon** as National Partner. Dillon was previously with Deacons Solicitors in Hong Kong and was with Dillon Eustace Solicitors prior to that.

Eversheds has announced the appointment of two new partners in their Real Estate Department:

Terry O'Malley has been with Eversheds since 2011. Prior to this, O'Malley worked with Leman Solicitors.

Marie O'Riordan joined Eversheds in 2014 and previously worked with Hayes Solicitors for 10 years.

Independent News & Media (INM), has appointed **Murdoch MacLennan** as Non-Executive Chairman after joining the board on March 1. He is also the Deputy Chairman of the Telegraph Media group and was its Chief Executive.

Irish Distillers has appointed **Conor McQuaid** as Chief Executive Officer, starting on 1st July. McQuaid joined Irish Distillers in 1998 as a Regional Manager for their southern European markets and is currently Executive Vice-President of Global Business Development at Pernod Ricard.

JWT Folk is a new advertising agency, created by the merger of DDFH&B and Target McConnells, and it has announced that **Abi Moran** has been appointed as CEO. Moran has been with Target McConnells since 2011, and has been Managing Director since 2016.

KBC Bank Ireland has appointed **Darragh Lennon** as its new Director of Distribution. Lennon has been with KBC since 2010 and was previously with MKO Partners and IIB.

Kerry Group has announced that it will appoint **Marguerite Larkin** as its Chief Financial Officer with effect from September of this year. She is currently a Senior Partner with Deloitte and has extensive experience in food and beverage, pharmaceutical and technology industries.

Mars has appointed **Bill Heague** as General Manager of its Irish operation. He has been with Mars for 10 years working at both Mars Food Australia and Mars Czech Republic and Slovakia.

Mason19 Hayes & Curran has announced three senior appointments;

Vanessa Byrne and **Michael Doran** have been appointed as Co-Heads of Real Estate. Byrne has been with the company since 2003 and Doran joined MHC in 2014 having been previously Head of Property at Whitney Moore.

Robert Dickson has been appointed as Partner, Corporate Team. Dickson joins from Matheson, where he worked for 4 years.

Morgan McKinley has announced three senior appointments:

Aldagh McDonogh has been appointed as new Group Chief Executive. McDonogh has worked as Transformation Director with Morgan McKinley since 2000 and was one of the founders of Alternatives.

Pat Fitzgerald, the company Founder and current Group CEO has been appointed to the position of Executive Chairman. Fitzgerald founded the company in 1988.

Shane Doherty has been appointed as Chief Financial Officer. Doherty was previously Chief Financial Officer of Gaelectric, and worked with Paddy Power prior to that.

MyTaxi announced **Alan Fox** as the new General Manager for Ireland. He was previously Sales and Marketing Director at AA Ireland and also worked with Telefonica, Zurich Insurance and Meteor Mobile.

Noden Pharma DAC has appointed **Alan Markey** as Chief Executive Officer. He was previously Managing Director of Baxter Healthcare Ireland and prior to that Vice President EMEA for Pfizer's Inflammation Division.

Pallas Foods has appointed **Peter Jackson** as CEO. Jackson was previously Managing Director Aryzta Food Solutions Europe.

Royal London Ireland has appointed **Julie McCarthy** as Actuarial Lead. McCarthy was Head of Life Finance, Aviva Life & Pensions for 5 years.

Signium has appointed **Alastair Paton** as Chair of their Global Board. Paton will continue as Managing Partner for Signium UK.

Stellwagen has appointed **Aengus Whelan** as Chief Commercial Officer. Whelan was Managing Director & Head of Trading at ALAFCO Aviation & Lease and spent 10 years with Standard Chartered Bank Dublin as Executive Director of Aviation Finance.

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