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Market Movers



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

Please feel free to let us know of any relevant Appointments in the future by sending details to ailen.glennon@signium.ie

AIB has announced the appointment of **Valerie McGrane** as Director Equity Capital. She was previously Director, Deal Advisory, Financial Due Diligence with KPMG.

Ancestry.com have appointed **John Slyne** as Vice President International. He joined Ancestry.com in 2012 as Senior Director of International Finance and was Managing Director of Popilis prior to this.

Byrne Wallace has announced two senior appointments:

Mark O'Shaughnessy as Partner in the Litigation and Dispute Resolution Team. He previously worked with A & L Goodbody for 5 years and was with William Fry for 7 years prior to that.

Liam Connellan as Head of Pensions. He joined from William Fry in September 2018.

Capitalflow has announced 2 senior appointments:

Paul Cunningham has been appointed Business Development Director. He previously worked in his own debt management agency and was Head of Commercial Banking at Bank of Scotland Ireland for 13 years prior to this.

Ken Rooney has been appointed as Head of SME Lending. He was previously with AIB Bank for 6 years, most recently as Head of Business Banking Cavan, Monaghan & Louth. Prior to this he was NAMA Manager at IBRC.

Compass Group has appointed **Chris Chidley** as Managing Director. He was previously Managing Director at VSG Vision Security Group and had worked with Compass Group for 9 years prior to this.

Crowe has announced the appointment of **Beccy Cameron** as its new Director of HR. She joins from Netshare Ireland where she was Head of HR since 2015.

daa has appointed **Brian Gallagher** as Head of Aviation Business Development – Cork Airport. He has been with daa since 2011, most recently as Airline Business Development Manager. Prior to this, he worked with Apple and Hutchison 3G.

Dublin Chamber has announced the following appointments:

Graeme McQueen as its new Head of Communications. He has been the Chamber's Head of Public Affairs for over two years.

Fergus Sharpe as its new Head of Public Affairs. He has been a member of the Public Affairs team since 2016.

Fenergo has announced the appointment of **James Follette** as Global Head of Commercial and Retail Banking. He moves from Citi where he was responsible for client onboarding and know your customer (KYC) transformation.

Findlater & Co (a division of Valeo Foods group) has announced the appointment of **Denis Lynch** as General Manager. He was previously Director with Cana Food Solutions.

Glanbia has appointed **Miriam Walker** as Head of Retail & Wholesale. She moves from McCain Foods where she was General Manager Ireland.

Icelandic Provisions (the International dairy company) has announced the appointment of **Mark Alexander** as its new CEO. He moves from Campbell Soup Company where he was most recently President Americas.

John Paul Construction has appointed **Liam Kenny** and **John Moran** to its Board of Directors

JUUL Labs has announced the appointment of **Gareth S Smyth** as its new General Manager. He has been Director of Gareth Smyth Consultants Ltd since 2017.

Kerry Airport has announced the appointment of **John Mulhern** as its new General Manager. He was previously COO with Mater Private Hospital Cork.

Matheson has announced the appointment of ten new partners:

Grainne Callanan – Corporate

Geraldine Carr – Employment

Brian Doohan – Tax

Richard Kelly – Finance and Capital Markets

Yvonne McWeeney – Asset Finance

Niamh Maher - Commercial Real Estate

Mairéad Ní Ghabháin – Commercial Litigation and Dispute Resolution

Padraic Roche Corporate

Vahan Tchrakian –Tax

Kieran Trant- Corporate

Phorest Salon Software has announced the appointment of **Niall Saul** MSc, FCIPD as its new Head of People. He was previously Internal Consultant/Adviser with Netwatch Group.

Port of Cork Company Ltd has appointed **Barry Synnott** as a Member of the Board of Directors. He is currently CEO at Boyne Valley Group.

Saint-Gobain, Insulation UK has announced the appointment of **Dean O'Sullivan** as its new Managing Director. He moves from Celotex Insulation where he was MD since 2016.

Smurfit Kappa has appointed **Sharon Whitehead** as Group Chief HR Officer. She was previously with Kerry Group for almost twenty years, most recently as Global Vice President Human Resources.

Sodexo has announced the appointment of **Julie Ennis** as Managing Director of Corporate Services, Ireland and Northern Ireland. She joins from Bank of Ireland where she is currently Head of Mobile Sales Force.

Sony has appointed **Barend Ezechiels** as Country Head of UK & Ireland. He has been with Sony since 1997 and held a number of senior marketing roles, most recently as Country Head Sony Benelux & Head Pan European Channel Development and Accounts.

Tesco has announced the appointment of **Christine Heffernan** as Group Communications Director, with effect from March 1st. She is currently Director of Corporate Affairs with Tesco Ireland.

The FD Centre in Ireland has announced the appointment of **Brian Stack** as Chief Financial Officer. He has previously been CFO of software company Qumas and subsequently at Mobacar.

Theratechnologies has appointed **Conor Walshe** as General Manager of its European subsidiary. He previously worked with Aralez Pharmaceuticals as Vice President – General Manager Finance and Operations. Prior to this, he worked with Perrigo and Elan.

Three Ireland has announced the appointment of **Graham Murphy** as its new Head of Data. He joins from Deutsche Bank where he was Head of Data Protection Advisory for four years.

Virgin Media TV has appointed **Bill Malone** as Director of Content. He was previously Director of Programming with TV3/Virgin Media TV since 2016. Prior to this, he spent 12 years with RTE, most recently as Controller at RTE 2.

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