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# Accountants at a Crossroads: Ethics and the Fight Against Financial Crime

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## MICHELE WOOD-TWEEL

### CPA Canada, Vice-President Regulatory Affairs

Michele Wood-Tweel is Vice-President of Regulatory Affairs, reporting to the CEO of CPA Canada and the chair of the Public Trust Committee, and is responsible for providing staff support to the Council of Chief Executive's Public Trust Committee, including its various committees, task forces and working groups. This also includes supporting the development of common regulatory structures and processes that are at least as robust as international standards in appropriate areas of regulation for all provincial and territorial CPA bodies.

Before joining CPA Canada, Michele was the CEO and executive director of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nova Scotia (ICANS) and prior to that role, she practised with KPMG LLP in Halifax for over 20 years. While at ICANS, she also served on the CPA profession's Council of Chief Executives and chaired the CPA Professional Learning and Development Strategy Committee.

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## LUÍS LAGINHA DE SOUSA

**CMVM, Chair**

Luís Laginha de Sousa has served as Chair of the Portuguese Securities Market Commission (CMVM) since December 2022, leading Portugal's capital markets regulator in overseeing transparency, investor protection, and market supervision. He was a Member of the Board of Directors of Banco de Portugal from September 2017 to November 2022.

Previously, he held management positions in several Portuguese and multinational companies and was, among others, deputy director of ICEP - (Portugal's investment promotion body), Executive Director of Caixaweb SGPS, Chief Operating Officer of Euronext Lisbon, S. A., President of Euronext Lisbon, S. A. and also of Interbolsa, S. A.

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## JENS POLL

### Accountancy Europe, President

Jens Poll is President of Accountancy Europe for 2025–2026, representing over one million accountants across 35 countries. His leadership emphasizes audit quality, ethics, and sustainability reporting.

He has held senior roles at Mazars and Moore Stephens and lectures on company law and commercial law at the University of Ulm. He has served on the IESBA and IFAC's SMP Committee and chairs quality assurance at WPK. He is recognized for advancing ethics and public interest in the profession.

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## PASCAL SAINT-AMANS

**Lausanne University, Professor | OECD, Former Director  
Centre for Tax Policy and Administration**

Pascal Saint-Amans is a Senior Fellow at Bruegel and Associate Professor of Tax Policy at HEC Paris and the University of Lausanne. He is the founding chairman of Saint-Amans Global Advisory (SAGA), a consulting firm advising governments on tax and public policies.

He was Director of the OECD's Centre for Tax Policy and Administration from 2012 to 2022, where he led major global reforms, including BEPS and the global minimum corporate tax. A former French Ministry of Finance official, Pascal Saint-Amans has been recognized internationally for his contributions to tax transparency and reform.

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