



SEVENTEENTH ITEM ON THE AGENDA

Reports of the Officers of the Governing Body

Second report: Chairmanship of the Committee on Freedom of Association

1. At its 208th Session (November 1978), the Governing Body decided to appoint an independent chairperson of its Committee on Freedom of Association.
2. Following that decision, the duties of independent chairperson were performed successively by Judge Roberto Ago and Professor Max Rood, who were appointed to that office by the Governing Body.
3. In accordance with the usual practice, the term of office of the Chairperson of the Committee on Freedom of Association runs until the expiry of the three-year mandate of the Governing Body. However, following the recent death of Professor Rood, the Governing Body is called on to appoint a new independent chairperson who will hold office until June 2005, that is, until the expiry of the three-year mandate of the Governing Body to be renewed at the 90th Session of the International Labour Conference.
4. The Director-General proposes that this office should be conferred on Professor Paul van der Heijden, Rector Magnificus of the University of Amsterdam (Netherlands) and former Chairperson of the Committee on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations of the International Labour Conference.
5. *The Officers of the Governing Body recommend to the Governing Body that Professor Paul van der Heijden be appointed as Chairperson of the Committee on Freedom of Association, until the expiry in June 2005 of the upcoming term of office of the Governing Body.*

Geneva, 19 March 2002.

Point for decision: Paragraph 5.

Curriculum vitae

Name: Paul F. van der Heijden

Born: 18 September 1949

Place: Utrecht, Netherlands

Civil status: Married, three children

Education

Master of Laws, University of Amsterdam (1975)

Doctorate, Leyden State University (1984)

Thesis: *A fair trial in labour law?* Kluwer, Deventer 1984

Current posts

Rector Magnificus, University of Amsterdam

Professor of Labour Law and Industrial Relations, University of Amsterdam

Previous posts

Judge, Amsterdam District Court

Professor of Law, Groningen State University

Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Amsterdam

Director, Hugo Sinzheimer Institute, research institute for labour and law (University of Amsterdam)

Chairperson, Board of AIAS, Amsterdam Interdisciplinary Institute for Advanced Labour Studies (University of Amsterdam)

International posts

Jean Monnet Professor of European Law, Bielefeld University

Expert, European Commission, Brussels

Head, Delegation of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to the ILC, Geneva (1995-2002)

Chairperson, ILC Committee on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations (1998 and 2000)

Judicial and arbitration activities

Judge (substitute), Court of Appeal, Amsterdam

Chairperson, Advisory and Arbitration Committee for Local Labour Disputes (LAAC)

Member, Appeal Committee of the Personnel of the Royal Household

Governance and managerial activities

Member, Supervisory Board, ING Group N.V. (banking, insurance)

Member, Supervisory Board, Smit International N.V. (salvage, towage, maritime contracting)

Member, Supervisory Board NUON N.V. (electricity, gas, water)

Member, Supervisory Board, Pink Roccade N.V. (computer services)

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