

Press Release

Claire Leussink-Nies new CEO AB&C Groep

Amsterdam, December 19 2023 – **Claire Leussink-Nies will be appointed CEO of AB&C Groep as of January 1, 2024. She will succeed current CEO and founder Sherief Abdalla. She will be responsible for the day-to-day management of AB&C Groep.**

AB&C Groep is the parent company behind brands such as AevesBenefit and Boer & Croon and is active in consultancy, outsourcing, interim management, digital transformation, project and program management, talent development and executive search. With this broad range, AB&C Groep focuses on three mission-critical themes for its clients: cost optimization, business transformation and control of the operation. AB&C Groep has been part of EPSA since this summer. Together they have the strategic mission to help organizations grow and improve their effectiveness through in-depth knowledge of procurement, operations and finance & technology.

Besides Leussink-Nies, the Board of Directors of AB&C Groep consists of Jaap Heeringa (CCO), Han Sanders (CFO) and Lidia Drost (CHRO).

Mathieu Gufflet (Founding President EPSA): *"With Claire Leussink-Nies, AB&C Groep will get a driven and connecting CEO, who knows the company well in all its aspects. We have great confidence in her vision and look forward to the next phase of the AB&C Groep under her leadership."*

Claire Leussink-Nies: *"I look forward to take charge of this dynamic company and continue to work on growth and development together with all our colleagues. I am committed to rollout our strategy to further develop our services for clients, to continue to offer great career paths for our professionals and to expand our services both nationally and internationally. The strength of AB&C Groep is our decentralized strategy: our companies offer business services based on their own entrepreneurship, culture, expertise and working methods. And within the AB&C Groep we foster a diverse and inclusive culture where there is ample room for all employees to be themselves, create opportunities and develop themselves. I sincerely thank Sherief for the meaningful role he played as founder and CEO in the creation, growth and prosperity of our company and I look forward to continue working with him in this new setting."*

Sherief Abdalla founded Aeves in 2012. Over the past 11 years, he has expanded the company, which initially focused on procurement services, autonomously and through acquisitions, into a broad and high-quality service provider. Abdalla remains involved with AB&C Groep as a non-executive member of the board with a focus on business development. Abdalla also has a seat in EPSA's Executive Committee & Board where he is co-responsible for EPSA's global strategy.

About AB&C Groep

AB&C Groep facilitates high-quality business service providers that offer a full-service proposition to clients to help them grow and improve the effectiveness of their organizations. The following strong brands operate within AB&C Groep: AevesBenefit, Het NIC, Aeves Interim Management, Procumulator, proQure, NewDawn, Boer & Croon, YESS and Vanderkuijs. The services focus on consultancy, interim management, outsourcing, digital transformation, executive search and talent development in the public, semi-public and private domains. AB&C Groep is the market leader in procurement and contract management in all sectors and has a strong position in transformation consultancy, executive search, interim management, PMO and project- and program management cross all sectors. The AB&C Groep employs more than 650 people.

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About EPSA

EPSA is a creator and producer of sustainable performance. The EPSA Group, which specializes in business performance optimization consulting, is the essential partner for any organization wishing to increase its performance and profitability. With an international presence, over 1,500 employees in 35 countries and its own integrated digital solution, EPSA is the only player to offer global support through 7 major complementary areas of expertise: Transformation & Digital, Procurement, Marketplace, Innovation, Energy & Environment, Tax and Finance. Resolutely customer-oriented, EPSA's teams strive for performance and efficiency on a daily basis, with a "tailor-made" and responsible approach, adapted to each organization's specific needs. With its strong people culture, EPSA is committed to an ambitious societal, social and environmental policy through its "EPSA for Good" program.

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