

Summary CV Luuk Zonneveld

Luuk Zonneveld is Chairman of the Board of Directors of the European Development Finance Institutions (EDFI). EDFI is the association of 15 so-called national Development Finance Institutions (DFIs) based in 14 European countries.

Other current functions include the Chairship of the Fairtrade Access Fund, a fund investing in small-scale agriculture and agribusiness in Africa and Latin-America (www.incofinfaf.com), the Chairship of Impakt.EU (www.impakteufund.eu), a fund investing in social enterprise and micro-finance institutions in Europe, and Advisor to the Gürzenich Orchester, the Symphonic Orchestra of the German city of Cologne, and to the Flanders String Ensemble Ataneres (www.ataneres.com).

From 2012 until March 2024, he was the Chief Executive Officer of the Belgian Investment Company for Developing Countries (BIO), the Belgian member of EDFI.

After Ph.D. studies and graduating in Psychology, Sociology and Economics, in France and in the Netherlands, Mr. Zonneveld started his career in 1986 in the international trade business, focusing on Africa, Asia and Latin-America, until 1992. After four years as international program manager at the German Heinrich-Böll-Stiftung in Cologne, Germany, from 1996 until 2000 Mr. Zonneveld lived and worked in Cuba to promote the cooperation and trade between Cuban and European companies.

After a year as European program manager of the Heinrich-Böll-Stiftung in Brussels, from 2001 until 2008 Mr. Zonneveld was one of the architects of the success of Fairtrade labelling, as Managing Director of its global umbrella Fairtrade International in Bonn. In 2004, with Fairtrade labelling he was awarded the prestigious King Baudouin Prize for Development.

From 2008 to 2012, he was Managing Director of the Belgian non-profit organisation Rikolto, where he pioneered an impact investment fund targeting small-scale agriculture (Kampani).

Mr. Zonneveld is a Dutch national, lives in Germany, is married and has three children.



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