

ANNA Appoints KDPW SA Poland as New Board Member

Brussels, London, June 18th 2021 – The Association of National Numbering Agencies (ANNA), a global member association seeking to foster standardisation within the financial industry by upholding the International Organisation for Standardisation (ISO) principles and by promoting International Securities Identification Numbers (ISINs), Classification of Financial Instrument codes (CFIs), and Financial Instrument Short Names (FISN), for financial instruments, announced today the appointment of a new board member Krajowy Depozyt Papierów Wartościowych SA, (KDPW SA), represented by Slawomir Zajac, as well as the re-election of Board members Euroclear Bank SA/NV, represented by Dan Kuhnel, and DCV Asesorías y Servicios SA, Chile, represented by Claudio Garin.

The ANNA board consists of individuals from senior positions at global financial institutions. The board brings with it a depth of knowledge, expertise and understanding within the financial industry. Leaving the ANNA board following a three-year term is Securities Depository Center of Jordan, represented by Sarah Tarawneh, with many thanks for her contribution.

Slawomir Zajac is Director of the Trade Repository Department at Krajowy Depozyt Papierów Wartościowych SA, (KDPW SA), the Central Securities Depository of Poland (CSD of Poland), and is an expert in the field of regulatory reporting and supervises the issuance of ISIN, CFI and FISN codes for KDPW as the Polish National Numbering Agency (NNA).

Emma Kalliomaki, MD of the ANNA, said, “We are delighted to have Slawomir Zajac join the ANNA board. ANNA has a key role in assisting market participants to address their regulatory obligations as well as address standardisation challenges as the market continues to evolve. It is important for the industry to work together to find ways to mutualise areas where all can benefit, and the ANNA board ensures this is at the core of everything ANNA does. Slawomir Zajac is joining at the perfect time to help steer ANNA’s collaborative approach.”

Slawomir Zajac ANNA new board member said, “It is an honour to be joining the ANNA board. The global financial markets rely on the continued adoption, allocation and accessibility of the ISIN, CFI and FISN standards to help facilitate open, transparent markets, while protecting the integrity of each standard. ANNA’s global network of member National Numbering Agencies (NNAs), responsible for ISIN, CFI and FISN assignment and maintenance, are vital for harmonised implementation and continued data alignment of these standards for the financial markets. I look forward to working with the board and the NNA’s to continue fulfilling ANNA’s mission in the promotion and fostering of standardisation for the benefit of all stakeholders.”

The ISO ISIN standard has become the recognised global standard for unique identification of all types of financial and referential instruments, helping to connect and protect global markets. ANNA collaborates with other standards bodies and industry to continuously develop and promote standards in-line with industry needs and market evolution, such as with the emergence of digital assets.

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Established in 1992 by 22 founding numbering agencies, ANNA is the membership organisation of national numbering agencies, which are operated by depositories, exchanges, government agencies, nationally central data vendors and other financial infrastructure organisations. ANNA also serves as the registration authority for the ISIN and FISN standards, under appointment by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO).

Under ANNA's stewardship, the role of the ISIN in enabling global financial communications has been established worldwide. ISINs are issued today more than 200 jurisdictions worldwide. In addition, ANNA has developed the Derivatives Service Bureau (DSB), a fully automated global numbering agency to meet the operational and regulatory requirements of the over-the-counter derivatives markets. The number of national numbering agencies and nations working to establish national numbering agencies continues to grow each year, now surpassing 120 jurisdictions globally.

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