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PRESS RELEASE

CFO FORUM mourns loss of Pierre Wauthier

The Chairman of The European Insurance CFO Forum, Gerald Harlin, today expressed the deep shock and sadness felt by all members at the news of Pierre Wauthier's sudden death. "Pierre was a charming, thoughtful and pragmatic member of our Forum and a central figure in our group. We all enjoyed working with him immensely and will miss him greatly. Our condolences go to his family at this very sad time.

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About the CFO Forum and its work:

The CFO Forum is a high-level discussion group formed and attended by the Chief Financial Officers of major European insurance companies (AEGON, Ageas, Allianz, Aviva, AXA, BNP Paribas Cardif, CNP, Generali, Hannover Re, If P&C, ING, Legal & General Group, Mapfre, Munich Re, Prudential, SCOR, Scottish Widows, Standard Life, Swiss Re, Talanx, and Zurich Financial Services). Its aim is to discuss issues relating to financial and regulatory reporting developments for their businesses and how they can create greater transparency for investors. The CFO Forum was created in 2002.

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