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PRESS RELEASE

## Leading insurance industry body welcomes Talanx as a new member

***The Chief Financial Officers of Europe's leading insurers today announced that Talanx is the latest member company to join the European Insurance CFO Forum.***

At its recent meeting, Talanx's application for membership to the European Insurance CFO Forum was approved by the current member companies.

Talanx is one of the major insurance groups in Germany and Europe. Talanx recently listed on the German exchange. It operates as a multi-brand provider in the insurance and financial services industry. The Group's brands include HDI, the global industrial insurer HDI-Gerling, Hannover Re, one of the world's leading reinsurers, several bancassurers as well as the Polish companies TU Europa and TUIR Warta S.A.

"I welcome Talanx to the European Insurance CFO Forum. Talanx's contribution, particularly in the technical working groups, will further strengthen our ability to respond to regulatory and accounting developments for the industry." Gerald Harlin, the Chief Financial Officer of AXA and the Chairman of the European Insurance CFO Forum, said today.

"Talanx sees this as a crucial time for the insurance industry and believes that the industry should work together to find appropriate solutions for regulators, policyholders and shareholders. We are looking forward to actively contributing to the debate on reporting for insurance," Dr Immo Querner, the Chief Financial Officer of Talanx, said today.

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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, BNPParibas 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 Insurance Group). 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.

More information on the CFO Forum is available at [www.cfoforum.eu](http://www.cfoforum.eu)