Press release

Marilou van Golstein Brouwers to step down as Chair of Triodos Investment Management

Zeist, 20 September 2018 – Marilou van Golstein Brouwers will step down as Chair of Triodos Investment Management as of 1 January 2019.

Marilou van Golstein Brouwers (60) started working at Triodos Bank nearly 30 years ago and is responsible for laying the foundation of Triodos Bank’s sustainable investing proposition. Pioneering a small number of impact investment funds, ultimately led to the inception of Triodos Investment Management in 2000. She has been Managing Director of this business since 2003 and it currently represents EUR 4.2 billion assets under management. With her expertise and drive she has been instrumental in the rise and development of the global impact investing sector.

“I feel very privileged and grateful to have been part of Triodos since 1990 and to have had the opportunity to contribute to the development of Triodos Investment Management to where it stands today. It is an honour to have worked with so many inspiring, pioneering partners from all over the world and with so many committed, passionate colleagues. Together we have built the impact investing movement. I look forward to another role after this transition period. A role in which I will not only continue my journey within Triodos, but will also contribute to the wider movement of conscious capital and sustainable entrepreneurship”, says Marilou van Golstein Brouwers.

Pierre Aeby, Member of the Executive Board and CFO of Triodos Bank said: “Marilou has been a pioneer both inside and outside Triodos Bank: under her leadership inclusive finance was transformed from a niche activity to an impactful and sustainable line of business. As a fervent advocate of impact investment, she has given an important impetus to the worldwide growth of this approach. We reflect on Marilou’s contribution to Triodos Bank with gratitude and wish her well in what she will choose to do next.”

Jacco Minnaar, currently one of the four Management Board members, will be appointed to the role of Chair of the Management Board, effective January 1st 2019. After a brief transition period where Marilou van Golstein Brouwers will continue as a member of the Management Board of Triodos Investment Management, this Board will consist of three board members as of 1 April 2019.

After leaving Triodos Investment Management, Marilou van Golstein Brouwers will dedicate her time to work on a strategic project for Triodos Bank until July 2020.

Note to editors:

Marilou van Golstein Brouwers (1958) is Chair of the Management Board of Triodos Investment Management BV, a subsidiary of Triodos Bank. Marilou started working for Triodos Bank in 1990 and was involved in the start of Triodos Investment Management of which she became Managing Director in 2003.

Marilou has served on the Board of Directors of banks in Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania, Russia, Afghanistan and Pakistan. She was a member of the Group of Advisors for the United Nations Year of Microcredit in 2004/2005, of the Executive Committee of CCAP (2003-2008), member of the Board of Trustees of Women’s World Banking (2003-2012), Chair of SBI Ltd (2011-2013), Chair of...

Currently she is member of the Board of Directors of the Global Impact Investing Network (GIIN), Chair of the Supervisory Board of B Corps Europe and one of the We-Fi's Leadership Champions, the Women Entrepreneurs Finance Initiative housed in the World Bank. She is also a member of the Board of Directors of Triodos Sicav I and Triodos Sicav II, member of the Boards of Hivos-Triodos Fund Foundation, Triodos Sustainable Trade Fund Foundation and Triodos Renewable Energy for Development Foundation.

Jacco Minnaar (1971) is Managing Director at Triodos Investment Management. Jacco is member of the management board and responsible for the investment funds in non-listed assets, including infrastructure/renewable energy and inclusive finance in both Europe and Emerging Markets. Jacco has 22 years of experience working in the financial sector and investment industry. He is also a member of the Board of Hivos-Triodos Fund Foundation. At Triodos Investment Management Jacco worked as Director Energy and Climate, fund manager Triodos Fair Share Fund and Regional Manager Africa and Latin America, responsible for both equity and debt investments in Emerging Markets. Before joining Triodos Investment Management in October 2006, Jacco worked as manager of the Financial Markets Development Program of International Finance Corporation (IFC) in the Mekong region. Jacco holds a Master of Science degree in Industrial Engineering and Management Science and is a CFA® charterholder.

About Triodos Investment Management
Triodos Investment Management connects a broad range of investors who want to make their money work for lasting, positive change with innovative entrepreneurs and sustainable businesses doing just that. In doing so, we serve as a catalyst in sectors that are key in the transition to a world that is fairer, more sustainable and humane.

With our highly professional investment teams, we have built up in-depth knowledge throughout our 25 years of impact investing in sectors such as Energy & Climate, Inclusive Finance, Sustainable Food & Agriculture, Arts & Culture, and Sustainable Real Estate. Besides the direct impact investments in these sectors, we also invest in listed companies with an above-average environmental, social and governance (ESG) performance. Assets under management as per end of June 2018: EUR 4.2 billion.

Triodos Investment Management is a globally active impact investor and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Triodos Bank NV.