

## **AICPA & CIMA launched its inaugural Europe Regional Engagement Group to help shape global accounting profession**

**Warsaw, 5 September 2022** – The Association of International Certified Professional Accountants (the Association), representing nearly 690,000 members and students of the American Institute of CPAs (AICPA) and The Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA), has announced the appointment of 10 members to its inaugural Europe Regional Engagement Group (REG).

The REG has been set up to provide a European voice and strategic input to the world’s most influential body of accounting professionals. It will serve the Association’s governing board and CIMA Council in Europe.

The 10 REG members are:

- Chairman: Wioletta Pietrasiak, Poland
- Vice Chairman: Stuart Dunningham, France

Committee Members:

- Meleg Orsolya, Hungary
- Raymond Gann, Germany
- Robert Jasiński, Poland
- Nick Amodeo, Netherlands
- Olga Ismagilova, Czechia
- Kosala Hewamadduma, Netherlands
- Saule Shymshykbayeva, Kazakhstan
- Anna Trojanowska-Junell, Poland

**Jakub Bejnarowicz, Regional Director for Europe, AICPA & CIMA**, said: “I look forward working with this group of vibrant professionals to take our developments and membership engagement in Europe to the next level. And I am hugely thankful for their commitment and valuable contributions to advocate for the region’s needs and help the accounting profession address key business and economic issues such as digital transformation, productivity, and ESG challenges during their twelve-month tenure.”

**Wioletta Pietrasiak, ACMA, CGMA, Chairman of the REG**, said: “We are honoured to be entrusted with this responsibility and we look forward to supporting the Association and its mission to drive a dynamic accounting profession ready to meet the demands of a constantly changing, disruptive world. We also look forward to working closely with the Regional Director for Europe to deliver the region’s member engagement strategy and showcasing how Europe is advancing accounting and finance practices to benefit consumers, businesses, public services and society.”

Appointments to the REG are made for a 12-month duration and responsibilities will include identifying key trends in the local markets impacting customers, stakeholders, and the profession; representing, engaging, and advocating for the Chartered Global Management Accountant (CGMA) designation; and providing perspective into the development of the Association’s global strategic plan as it relates to both Public and Management Accounting.

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The Association of International Certified Professional Accountants® (the Association), representing AICPA® & CIMA®, advances the global accounting and finance profession through its work on behalf of 689,000 AICPA and CIMA members, students and engaged professionals in 196 countries and territories. Together, we are the worldwide leader on public and management accounting issues through advocacy, support for the CPA license, the CGMA designation and specialised credentials, professional development and thought leadership. We build trust by empowering our members and engaged professionals with the knowledge and opportunities to be leaders in broadening prosperity for a more inclusive, sustainable and resilient future.

The American Institute of CPAs® (AICPA), the world’s largest member association representing the CPA profession, sets ethical standards for its members and U.S. auditing standards for private companies, not-for-profit organisations, and federal, state and local governments. It



also develops and grades the Uniform CPA Examination and builds the pipeline of future talent for the public accounting profession.

The Chartered Institute of Management Accountants® (CIMA) is the world's leading and largest professional body of management accountants. CIMA works closely with employers and sponsors leading-edge research, constantly updating its professional qualification and professional experience requirements to ensure it remains the employer's choice when recruiting financially trained business leaders.