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| Treasurer/Secretary  | 2021-2022                 |
| Advisory Board, EHEDG  | 2015-2020                 |
| President, European Hygienic Engineering and Design Group (EHEDG)  | 2004-2007                 |
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| Professional Experience  |                           |
| Vice President, Global Food Safety<br>Mondelēz International, Zurich, Switzerland                          | June 2020 – Present       |
| Vice President, Mondelēz Europe and Global Consumer Quality<br>Mondelēz International, Zurich, Switzerland | July 2011-June 2020       |
| Sr. Director, Global Food Safety<br>Kraft Foods, Munich Germany and Glenview, IL USA                       | June 2006 – July 2011     |
| Director, International Food Safety and Microbiology<br>Kraft Foods, Munich Germany                        | June 2004–June 2006       |
| Associate Director, Microbiology, Food Safety, Sanitation<br>Kraft Foods, Munich Germany                   | August 2002-June 2004     |
| Manufacturing Business Unit Manager<br>Kraft Foods, Fullerton, CA USA                                      | October 1999-August 2002  |
| Quality/Sanitation Manager<br>Kraft Foods, Irvine California, USA  | October 1995-October 1999 |
| Technical Supervisor, Desserts Division<br>Kraft Foods, Tarrytown, NY USA                                  | June 1994-March 1995      |
| Senior Scientist, Quality and Product Safety<br>Kraft Foods, Tarrytown, NY USA                             | January 1990-June 1994    |

October 1988-January 1990

## **Motivation Letter**

Hygienic design and hygienic conditions are integral elements for the safe manufacture of food. The guidance that EHEDG offers to the industry regarding the hygienic aspects of safe food manufacture is immensely important. The strength of EHEDG is that the guidance and solutions developed by the members are the result of collaboration between members from food manufacturers. equipment manufacturers, chemical and cleaning providers, and research institutes working together to advance knowledge in hygienic design which results in improved safety of the world's food supply.

I am a strong believer in the HACCP system of food safety management. The proactive monitoring of critical points to ensure safety is a much more powerful tool than an endpoint test. Hygienic equipment and equipment design are key prerequisite programs to enable HACCP. Prerequisite programs address the procedures or conditions within a food manufacturing environment that allow the production of safe and wholesome food. They must be in place as the foundation to a HACCP system.

I am also a strong supporter of EHEDG, having attended my first EHEDG Executive committee meeting in 2002 representing Kraft Foods and subsequently elected as President a few years later. While my company has changed names and we are now Mondelez International, we are still supporting the organization and I have had the honour of serving on the EHEDG Advisory Board for 6 years and as Treasurer for the last two years. As part of the Advisory Board, we developed a long-term strategic plan for the organization which will help steer EHEDG into the future. As part of the foundation board the last two years, we oversaw the move of EHEDG from Germany to the Netherlands and the hiring of a new head office staff as well as the institution and reinforcement of financial controls.

I have worked in the food industry for over 30 years in the areas of Food Safety, Sanitation, Production and Quality and have managed large, global organizations with large associated budgets. I believe I can continue to support in the capacity as Treasurer/Secretary and can provide some continuity on the Foundation Board. I respectfully submit my application for this important role and hope that you will consider it favourably.