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CFO Joost de Vries to leave Lucas Bols in the course of 2020

Joost de Vries has informed Lucas Bols that he will leave the company in the course of 2020, having served as its CFO for almost 15 years. Joost has decided to progress his career into supervisory and consultancy roles. He will remain with the company as CFO at least until the end of the current fiscal year (until 31 March 2020). A search process to find the right successor has commenced.

Derk Doijer, chairman of the Supervisory Board of Lucas Bols: "The Supervisory Board regrets that Joost has decided to leave Lucas Bols but we respect his decision. Joost played a vital role in the IPO process of Lucas Bols, the Passoã transaction and its subsequent integration. He secured the future funding for this successful expansion of the Lucas Bols portfolio and more recently successfully refinanced the company, ensuring sufficient flexibility for future developments. We thank Joost for his relentless dedication in the past 15 years and wish him all the best in the future."

Huib van Doorne, CEO of Lucas Bols: "Working together with Joost has been a great pleasure. From the first steps of re-establishing the company in Amsterdam to setting up our own organisation in the US, Joost has been instrumental in building the company to where we stand today."

Joost de Vries, CFO of Lucas Bols: "It has been a difficult decision but at this point I feel it is the right time to take a next step in my career and make a move to supervisory and consultancy roles, building on almost 40 years of experience. I feel privileged to have played a small part in the more than 400 years of history of this unique company. I look forward to continue working with Huib and the Lucas Bols team in the coming months to safeguard a smooth transition."

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About Lucas Bols

Lucas Bols is the world's oldest distilled spirits brand and one of the oldest Dutch companies still in business. Building on its more than 440 year-old heritage dating back to 1575, the company has mastered the art of distilling, mixing and blending liqueurs, genever, gin and vodka. Lucas Bols owns a portfolio of more than 20 premium and super premium brands of different spirits used in cocktail bars worldwide. Its products are sold in more than 110 countries around the world. Lucas Bols has been listed on Euronext Amsterdam (BOLS) since 4 February 2015,

Lucas Bols holds the number one position in liqueur ranges worldwide (outside the USA) and is the world's largest player in the genever segment. Many of Lucas Bols' other products have market or category-leading positions. Furthermore, Lucas Bols is a leading player in the bartending community. Through the House of Bols Cocktail & Genever Experience and Europe's largest bartending school, the Bols Bartending Academy, the company provides inspiration and education to both bartenders and consumers.

Financial calendar

21 November 2019	Publication of 2019/20 half-year results
28 May 2020	Publication of 2019/20 full-year results
9 July 2020	Annual General Meeting of Shareholders