

# Unilever N.V. and PLC Annual General Meetings re-elections and Notification of Changes to the Boards

London/Rotterdam, 6 March 2019. Unilever today announced that the following Directors will offer themselves for re-election at the Annual General Meeting of Unilever N.V. on 1 May 2019 and the Annual General Meeting of Unilever PLC on 2 May 2019 ("the 2019 AGMs"): Nils Andersen, Laura Cha, Vittorio Colao, Marijn Dekkers, Andrea Jung, Judith Hartmann, Mary Ma, Strive Masiyiwa, Youngme Moon, Graeme Pitkethly, John Rishton and Feike Sijbesma.

It is proposed that Susan Kilsby join the Boards as Non-Executive Director. She will be nominated for election to the Boards at the 2019 AGMs on the basis that, if elected, her appointment will take effect on 1 August 2019. Susan has had an extensive career serving as executive in the global banking sector, including as regional Chairman and Head of EMEA and M&A at Credit Suisse. Susan possesses deep international banking, financial and M&A experience. She also has extensive corporate board experience, including from BBA, Fortune Brands, Goldman Sachs, Diageo and as Chairman of Shire.

Marijn Dekkers, Chairman of Unilever, said: "I am very pleased that Susan has agreed to be proposed to join the Boards. She has had a successful executive career in the banking sector and has extensive Board experience as a non-executive in global consumer goods, financial and pharmaceutical sectors. She will further strengthen the Boards with her broad-based expertise and deep knowledge in the areas of finance and M&A."

As previously announced, it is also proposed that Alan Jope, CEO of Unilever, join the Boards as Executive Director. He will be nominated for election to the Boards at the 2019 AGMs.

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## Notes to editor

# Susan Kilsby

Nationality: British/American. Born: 1958. Susan begun her career at The First Boston Corporation and later worked at Bankers Trust and BZW, before the latter was acquired by Credit Suisse. She was chairman of the EMEA Mergers and Acquisitions Group at Credit Suisse until 2009 and she was also a non-executive director of L'Occitane, Keurig Green Mountain, Coca-Cola HBC AG and Shire PLC. Her current appointments include being a non-executive director of BBA Aviation Plc (until 10 May 2019), Diageo Plc and Fortune Brands Home & Security, Inc.

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### **About Unilever**

Unilever is one of the world's leading suppliers of Beauty & Personal Care, Home Care, and Foods & Refreshment products with sales in over 190 countries and reaching 2.5 billion consumers a day. It has 161,000 employees and generated sales of €51 billion in 2018. Over half (59%) of the company's footprint is in developing and emerging markets. Unilever has more than 400 brands found in homes all over the world, including Persil, Dove, Knorr, Domestos, Hellmann's, Lipton, Wall's, PG Tips, Ben & Jerry's, Magnum and Lynx.

Unilever's Sustainable Living Plan (USLP) underpins the company's strategy and commits to:

- Helping more than a billion people take action to improve their health and well-being by 2020.
- Halving the environmental impact of our products by 2030.
- Enhancing the livelihoods of millions of people by 2020.

The USLP creates value by driving growth and trust, eliminating costs and reducing risks. The company's sustainable living brands are growing 46% faster than the rest of the business and delivered 70% of the company's growth in 2017.

Since 2010 we have been taking action through the Unilever Sustainable Living Plan to help more than a billion people improve their health and well-being, halve our environmental footprint and enhance the livelihoods of millions of people as we grow our business. We have already made significant progress and continue to expand our ambition – most recently committing to ensure 100% of our plastic packaging is fully reusable, recyclable or compostable by 2025. While there is still more to do, we are proud to have been recognised in 2018 as sector leader in the Dow Jones Sustainability Index and as the top ranked company in the Globecan/SustainAbility Global Corporate Sustainability Leaders survey, for the eight-consecutive year.

For more information about Unilever and its brands, please visit <a href="www.unilever.com">www.unilever.com</a>. For more information on the USLP: <a href="www.unilever.com/sustainable-living/">www.unilever.com/sustainable-living/</a>

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