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## **FEE Members' Assembly elects Petr Kriz as President and Edelfried Schneider as Deputy-President for 2015-2016**

**Brussels, 17 December 2014 – The 47 member organisations of FEE (Federation of European Accountants) appointed Petr Kriz as President and Edelfried Schneider as Deputy-President for a two-year term.**

“We must strive to regain trust in the accountancy profession and emphasise the valuable contribution that accountants and auditors make to the economy”, according to Petr Kriz. “Current European developments and technological progress present a unique opportunity to achieve this objective. Fostering relationships with our members and stakeholders and listening to their needs will guide FEE in this process.”

Olivier Boutellis-Taft, FEE CEO commented: “I am very grateful to outgoing President Killesse for contributing to the continued development of FEE. The new leadership brings the perfect balance of professional and geographical backgrounds to help steer FEE through the ongoing changes affecting the profession.”

Petr Kriz (a member of the Chamber of Auditors of the Czech Republic, KACR and the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, ACCA) served as Deputy President of FEE in 2013-2014 and he has chaired the Banks Working Party since 2007. Petr has long-term experience in leading audits and financial reporting advisory projects of Czech and international banks and central banks. He is a Partner with PricewaterhouseCoopers in Prague.

Edelfried Schneider (a member of the Institute of Public Auditors in Germany, IDW) is the managing director of HLB Germany GmbH. With extensive experience in providing tax advice and audit services to SME clients, Edelfried will greatly contribute to reinforcing FEE's strategic coverage of SME and SMP issues and further strengthen FEE's work on tax policy.

The FEE Members' Assembly expressed its sincere appreciation to outgoing President André Killesse for his dedication to FEE and the accountancy profession.

The Members' Assembly also elected two new members to the FEE Board: Alessandro Solidoro representing Italy and Jorge Herreros on behalf of Spain.

### **About FEE**

**FEE (Federation of European Accountants) is an international non-profit organisation based in Brussels that represents 47 institutes of professional accountants and auditors from 36 European countries, including all of the 28 EU member states.**

FEE has a combined membership of more than 800,000 professional accountants, working in different capacities in public practice, small and large accountancy firms, businesses of all sizes, government and education – all of whom contribute to a more efficient, transparent and sustainable European economy.

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