

## Eddy Wymeersch

Chairman of the Public Interest Oversight Board in Madrid; former deputy president of Euroclear SA; former independent director of the Association for the Financial Markets in Europe; member of the Senate of the European Law Institute; member of the European Company Experts; member of the European Banking Institute



**E**ddy Wymeersch, Belgian national (1943) has been active in the field of company law and financial services during most of his life, whether as an academic (Universities of Antwerp and Gent), as a supervisor at the national or at the European level. More recently he was deputy chairman of Euroclear, and independent director of the Association for Financial Markets in Europe (AFME in London). His present activities include chairmanship of the Public Interest Oversight Board (PIOB) (Madrid), overseeing the standard setting for accountants on a worldwide basis. He is member of the Senate of the European Law Institute (ELI) and member of the European Company

Experts (ECLE) ([europeancompany-lawexperts.wordpress.com/](http://europeancompany-lawexperts.wordpress.com/)) and of the European Banking Institute (EBI). In his pre-regulatory years, he was involved in some arbitrations

In his academic capacity, he is a thought leader in the fields of financial regulation, especially at the EU level, of corporate governance and of company law.

He has been Chairman of the Committee of European Securities regulators (CESR) (February 2007-July 2010) and of the European Regional Committee of IOSCO, in that capacity also taking part in the Executive and the Technical committee (2006-2010). He was Chairman of the Belgian Commission Bancaire, Financière et des Assurances (CBFA) (chief executive 2001-2007 and chairman of the supervisory board (2007-2010). He was also member of Swiss Finma (2012).

Before joining the CBFA, Mr Wymeersch has held several public functions in Belgium: "regent" of the National Bank of Belgium from 1992 to 2001, member of the legislative branch of the Council of State. Between 1990 and 2001, he was a member of the board of several Belgian companies, and from 1998 the Chairman of the Brussels airport (to February 2001). Mr Wymeersch has been an academic at the Ghent Law School where he founded the "Financial Law Institute" ([www.law.ugent.be/fli](http://www.law.ugent.be/fli)), and has participated in several committees advising the Belgian government, esp. on financial supervision or on corporate governance. In addition, he has acted as an adviser to the European Commission, a consultant to the World Bank, IFC, EBRD, OECD and an advisor to several European financial institutions and stock exchanges. He acted as arbitrator in domestic and international cases. He has published extensively on company law, corporate governance and financial regulation (see: [ssrn.Wymeersch](http://ssrn.com/author/view/1000000) and <http://www.law.ugent.be/fli>). He was member of the European Corporate Governance Forum ([ec.europa.eu/internal\\_market/company/ecgforum/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/internal_market/company/ecgforum/index_en.htm)) and was chairman of the European Corporate Governance Institute. He studied law at Ghent University and Harvard Law School. He speaks fluently Dutch, English, French and German and has given conferences in these languages in most European states, in the US and Canada, in Japan, Korea, Russia, Saudi-Arabia, Abu Dhabi, India.