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# Link Group announces intention to appoint new Chairperson and Non-Executive Directors

Link Group today announced the intention to appoint current Link Group Director Michael Carapiet as independent Chairman of the Board, effective 23 September 2015. Link Group also announced the intention to appoint industry leaders Glen Boreham, Sally Pitkin and Fiona Trafford-Walker as Non-Executive Directors of the Board, effective 23 September 2015.

Commenting on the new appointments, Link Group Managing Director John McMurtrie said: "We are delighted that Glen, Sally and Fiona will join Link Group as Directors and with Michael's nomination as Chairman. They are all extremely well credentialed with many years of executive leadership experience across key sectors relevant to our business. It is a privilege to have such a wealth of expertise and insight in superannuation, wealth management and technological innovation to draw upon as we continue to grow. We look forward to working closely with the new Directors to achieve our goals."

Commenting on his appointment as Chairman, Mr Carapiet said: "I am honoured to have been asked to chair Link Group through the next phase of its growth as a leader in technology-enabled financial and wealth data management."

The new Directors will be supported by Paul McCullagh and Cameron Blanks of Pacific Equity Partners, who have both served in excess of 10 years on the Link Group Board.

# Further information about the appointees

# **Mr Michael Carapiet**

Mr Carapiet joined the Link Group Board in June 2015. He currently chairs the boards of Insurance & Care NSW, Smartgroup Corporation Limited (which provides salary packaging and novated leasing services) and Adexum Capital Limited, a private equity fund focused on funding Australian and New Zealand growth companies. He is a board member of Infrastructure Australia and an advisory board member of Norton Rose Australia. Mr Carapiet had a long career in senior executive roles at Macquarie Group including Chairman of Macquarie Capital and Macquarie Securities.

# Mr Glen Boreham

Mr Boreham is currently a director of the ASX-listed companies Data#3 (a leading ICT and cloud solutions provider), Southern Cross Media Group and Cochlear. He is also currently the Chairperson of the Industry Advisory Board and the Business School Advisory Board for the University of Technology, Sydney and previously served as the inaugural Chairperson of Screen Australia for six years. Throughout his career, Mr Boreham has led companies through periods of growth and innovation, including serving between 2006–2011 as Managing

Director of IBM Australia and New Zealand, a business of 15,000 employees and annual revenues of over \$400 billion.

#### **Dr Sally Pitkin**

Dr Sally Pitkin has had 10 years' experience as a non-executive director of ASX 200 companies and is currently a director of four ASX-listed companies: Super Retail Group, Billabong International, Echo Entertainment and IPH (the Asia-Pacific's leading intellectual property group). Dr Pitkin is also currently the President of the Queensland Division of the Australian Institute of Company Directors, a member of the ASIC External Advisory Board, an Adjunct Professor at the University of Queensland Business School and a Fellow at Bond University. Dr Pitkin was previously a partner at corporate law firm Clayton Utz.

#### Ms Fiona Trafford-Walker

Ms Fiona Trafford-Walker is currently the Director of Consulting and was the inaugural Managing Director at Frontier Advisors, a firm that provides investment advice to institutional investors including superannuation funds. Ms Trafford-Walker has over two decades of experience in advising institutional investors about investment and governance issues. In 2013, Ms Trafford-Walker was named as one of the top 25 global asset consultants by US-based aiCIO and the inaugural 'Woman of the Year' at the Women in Financial Services Awards.

#### **About Link Group**

Link Group administers financial ownership data and drives user engagement through technology. Underpinned by our investment in technology, people and processes, we deliver comprehensive data and information solutions for companies, large asset owners and trustees across the globe. We are a market leading provider of technology-enabled administration solutions, continually developing our offerings to expand with our clients' needs. Our core business, which consists of fund administration and securities registration, is complemented by our expertise in digital solutions and data analytics. Our clients represent all industries and include some of Australia's largest superannuation funds and the world's largest corporations.

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