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Leading professional bodies partner to empower accountants in nonexecutive roles

Alliance plans to boost the ACCA NEDonBoard-certified community in the UK, equipping them to strengthen board best practices

A leading accountancy body and the professional body for board members are joining forces to support professional accountants pursuing careers as non-executive directors (NEDs).

ACCA (the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) has chosen NEDonBoard, Institute of Board Members, as its preferred partner to empower ACCA members in non-executive roles, to equip them with skills to strengthen board practices and enhance the organisations they join. This partnership brings together two leading professional bodies, working jointly to build a strong community of board-ready ACCA members.

ACCA and NEDonBoard are united by shared values of forward-thinking, modern governance practices, and a commitment to advancing professional standards, serving as a force for good through diverse and impactful leadership.

Mel Venes, Sector and Communities Lead, ACCA UK, said: 'The role of a NED is important and professionals occupying these roles are chosen due to wealth of business experience and strong reputation. We're delighted to announce this partnership with NEDonBoard through which we hope to encourage more ACCA members to contribute their talent and experience as NEDs.

'An exciting aspect of this partnership is the opportunity to strengthen ACCA's community of NEDs. Our partnership will support us to build creative, meaningful and practical support for our members in this work.'

The partnership aims to support ongoing professional development and growth while cultivating a dynamic and collaborative network.

Elise Perraud, Chief Operating Officer, NEDonBoard, said: 'We are thrilled to join forces with ACCA, a partner whose values align closely with our own, to support professionally qualified accountants on their journey to board roles. This partnership reflects our shared commitment to empower these professionals with a clear pathway to board roles, and the resources, recognition, and continuous development they need to make meaningful contributions and be impactful.'

The partnership formally launches on 3rd December. As a first step in the partnership ACCA and NEDonBoard, Institute of Board Members are planning a series of webinars to present the non-executive career opportunity and insights into how to secure a first role when you are an ACCA member.

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About NEDonBoard

NEDonBoard, Institute of Board Members, is the professional body for non-executive directors and board members. We empower directors with essential resources, advanced training, and a supportive network to excel in governance and build effective boardrooms.

Created by board members for board members, we offer practical insights, industry-recognised certifications, and exclusive access to professional development, inspiring events, and board opportunities. Our focus is to help directors secure roles, enhance their boardroom presence, and navigate complex challenges with confidence.

As a trusted authority, NEDonBoard champions responsible decision-making, organisational resilience, and diversity in boardroom perspectives. Collaborating with corporate partners, policymakers, and industry leaders, we advance a modern governance culture that meets evolving stakeholder expectations and global standards.

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About ACCA

We are ACCA (the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants), a globally recognised professional accountancy body providing qualifications and advancing standards in accountancy worldwide.

Founded in 1904 to widen access to the accountancy profession, we've long championed inclusion and today proudly support a diverse community of over 252,500 members and 526,000 future members in 180 countries.

Our forward-looking qualifications, continuous learning and insights are respected and valued by employers in every sector. They equip individuals with the business and finance expertise and ethical judgment to create, protect, and report the sustainable value delivered by organisations and economies.

Guided by our purpose and values, our ambition is to lead the accountancy profession for a changed world. Partnering with policymakers, standard setters, the donor community, educators and other accountancy bodies, we're strengthening and building a profession that drives a sustainable future for all.

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