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## Athora Netherlands Announces Changes to the Executive Board

- **Tom Kliphuis steps down as member and chair of the Executive Board and CEO of Athora Netherlands as per 1 June 2021 and transition to Athora Group with a focus on Mergers & Acquisitions (M&A) activities and business development in Europe.**
- **Etienne Comon has been appointed as Chief Capital & Investment Officer (CCIO) of Athora Netherlands and its insurance subsidiaries, effective 1 July 2021.**

Athora Netherlands N.V. (Athora Netherlands) announces today that Tom Kliphuis steps down as member and chair of the Executive Board and CEO of Athora Netherlands as per 1 June 2021, to transition to Athora Group with a focus on M&A activities and business development in Europe. A successor for the CEO position will be announced in due course. Annemarie Mijer, CRO of Athora Netherlands is appointed as vice chair of the Executive Board. She will assume the responsibilities of Tom Kliphuis until the appointment of his successor.

Furthermore, Etienne Comon has been appointed as Chief Capital & Investment Officer (CCIO) of Athora Netherlands and its insurance subsidiaries, effective 1 July 2021. The Dutch Central Bank (DNB) and the Central Works Council of Athora Netherlands have approved his appointment.

Maarten Dijkshoorn, chair of the Supervisory Board of Athora Netherlands, says: “Tom joined the company last year as CEO of Athora Netherlands and has done an outstanding job, leading a successful strategic operation to transform Athora Netherlands into a fully dedicated pension provider. His efforts to simplify the operating model and organisational structure were important in shaping Athora Netherlands as the focused company it is today. I would like to thank Tom for his contribution to the transformation of the company and wish him all the best in his new role within the Athora family.”

Tom Kliphuis, CEO of Athora Netherlands: “It has been an exciting journey at Athora Netherlands which has offered me the opportunity, together with my colleagues in the Executive Board and all the dedicated employees, to prepare the company for the next phase in executing its strategy. It has been an honor to serve as CEO of Athora Netherlands and I am pleased about what we have achieved together. I look forward to my new role with the Athora Group and support its further development across Europe. This is a significant opportunity for me to influence and help shaping the future of Athora.”

Maarten Dijkshoorn: “At the same time, I am very pleased to welcome Etienne to the Executive Board of Athora Netherlands. Etienne brings tremendous experience and knowledge of the investment and asset management business, which makes him the perfect match for this role. As a pension insurer, our ambition is to offer the best value-for-money pension products to our customers by long term sustainable investments. A strong and resilient investment strategy is the foundation of this ambition. With Etienne as CCIO, we are convinced that we will make good progress on further strengthening our investment organisation and that his vision and leadership will contribute greatly to Athora Netherlands’ strategy.”

## **Biography of Etienne Comon**

Etienne Comon (48) joins Athora Netherlands from Goldman Sachs Asset Management International where he served as Head of Insurance Asset Management for the EMEA region. Prior to Goldman Sachs, Etienne served as Head of ALM and Risk Advisory Team of both Nomura and Lehman Brothers. He started his career at Goldman Sachs International as a member of the liability management team. Etienne holds a PhD in economics from Harvard University.

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