



PRESS RELEASE

**Enza Zaden appoints Dirk Neelis as CFO**

Enkhuizen, 13 June 2022 - **The Supervisory Board of vegetable breeding company Enza Zaden announced today that Dirk Neelis has been appointed Chief Financial Officer and member of the Board of Directors of Enza Zaden, with effect from 1 September 2022.**

Currently Dirk Neelis is Vice President Finance and Control at Air France-KLM Cargo and he has previously been CFO at Dutch airline Transavia.

Jaap Mazereeuw, Chief Executive Officer at Enza Zaden: *"I am delighted to welcome Dirk Neelis to the Board of Directors of Enza Zaden. He brings broad experience from international companies in dynamic industries to the table. His depth of knowledge and insight from his long career will bring an added perspective to the work of the Board and will help us to further execute our strategy and to realise our ambitions. Additionally, we expect that he will also match very well with the Enza Zaden culture."*

Dirk Neelis: *"I am very excited to join Enza Zaden as CFO per 1 September 2022 and to enter into the fascinating world of vegetable breeding. In this role, I look forward to contributing to making Enza Zaden fit for the future and to its beautiful ambition of providing people all over the world access to a wide range of healthy vegetables."*

**Dirk Neelis**

Dirk Neelis is currently Vice President Finance & Control at Air France-KLM Cargo. Prior to this, he held various senior management and Board positions at Air France-KLM – including VP Finance & Control at KLM Cityhopper and VP Controlling Commercial Marketing – and he was CFO at Transavia from 2014 to 2022. Dirk Neelis is a Dutch citizen and received his graduate degree in Business Economics from Tilburg University. He also holds an RC, post graduate degree in Business Economics from Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam.

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**About Enza Zaden**

Enza Zaden develops new vegetable varieties that are grown, sold and eaten all over the world.

Worldwide, the family business has more than 2,000 employees with 45 branches in 25 countries. The

company's goal is to provide people, anywhere in the world, access to healthy and varied vegetables. [www.enzazaden.com](http://www.enzazaden.com)



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