# Maciej Leśny

In 1969 Maciej Leśny completed his studies at the Faculty of Economic Sciences at the Warsaw University. During his professional career, Mr Leśny worked for 6 years in the shipbuilding industry in Gdańsk and 8 years for Zakłady Elektronicznej Techniki Obliczeniowej. For more than 22 years he had worked in the central state administration, including 8 years in the position of Undersecretary of State: in the Ministry of Foreign Economic Co-operation; the Ministry of Economy; the Ministry of Economy, Labour and Social Policy; and finally in the Ministry of Infrastructure.

He completed post-graduate studies and training in the United States the Michigan University (Business School of Administration) and De Paul University (Chicago). In 1992-1993, as a scholarship holder of the US government, Mr Leśny studied at the American University in Washington, DC. During his scholarship he served a four-month internship at the World Bank and completed a privatization training course in the International Monetary Fund. From March 1994 to 1998, Chairman of the Supervisory Board of BRE Bank. By December 2001, Member of the Supervisory Board. In 2004, Mr Leśny was re-elected Chairman of the Supervisory Board.

## **Martin Zielke**

Mr Zielke studied at Göttingen University in 1985-1990, Master's degree (Diplom-Kaufmann) in Economics graduated in 1990.

In 1983-1985 he worked for Deutsche Bank AG, Kassel Branch. In 1990-2000 he worked for Dresdner Bank AG in Frankfurt am Main. In 1990-1995, Mr Zielke was the manager of sub-project relating to retail customer strategy. In 1997, he was the head of new market positioning project. In 1997-1999, Mr Zielke was the Regional Head of Retail Banking, Northern Region. In 1999-2000, Mr Zielke was the Head of special project on retail banking / Area Head of Business Development

Later, until May 2001 he was a Regional Head of Portfolio Investment, Member of Operative Management Team in Deutsche Bank 24. In June-December 2001, Mr Zielke was the Regional Head of Financing Retail Banking with Deutsche Hyp, Frankfurt am Main. In January 2002 – December 2004, he was the Group Manager, Retail Banking, Commerzbank AG, Frankfurt am Main. In January 2005 - March 2006, Mr Zielke was the Group Manager Corporate Banking Commerzbank AG, Frankfurt am Main. From April 2006 to December 2007, Mr Zielke was the Member of the Board of Managing Directors of Eurohypo Aktiengesellschaft, Eschborn.

From February 2008 to November 2010, Mr Zielke was the Group Manager, Group Finance Division, Commerzbank AG, Frankfurt am Main.

Since November 2010 he has been a Member of the Board of Managing Directors of Commerzbank AG, responsible for the Private Clients Segment. Member of the Supervisory Boards of Comdirect Bank AG, Commerz Real AG and Commerz Real Investmentgesellschaft mbH.

# **Martin Blessing**

Martin Blessing studied Business Administration at Frankfurt and St. Gallen Universities. In 1988 he was awarded an MBA from the University of Chicago.

Between 1989 and 1996 he worked for McKinsey in Frankfurt am Main and New York, becoming a Partner in 1994. In 1997 he joined Dresdner Bank AG, where he was Joint Manager of the Department for Private Customers. From 2000 to 2001 Mr Blessing has been Chairman of the Board of Advance Bank AG in Munich. Martin Blessing was appointed to the Board of Managing Directors of Commerzbank AG in 2001 and became the Chairman of the Board of Managing Directors in 2008.

## Stephan Engels

Stephan Engels studied Business Administration at the University of St. Gallen. Between 1988 - 1993 he worked at Daimler-Benz AG´s internal audit department. Afterwards he headed the Regional Controlling Europe at debis AG for three years. From 1996 to 2000 he served as Chief Financial Officer at debis AirFinance B.V.. In 2000 he joined DaimlerChrysler Bank AG, lastly as Member of the Board for Credit then Chief Financial Officer & IT. From 2003 he worked at DaimlerChrysler Services AG, lastly as a Member of the Board for Finance, Controlling, Risk Management & Strategy. From 2007 - 2012 he was a Member of the Executive Committee of Mercedes-Benz Car Group for Finance & Controlling and Head of Management Group Controlling at Daimler AG. Since April 2012 he is a Member of the Board of Managing Directors at Commerzbank AG.

### **Andre Carls**

Having studied business economics and completed a doctorate at the University of Cologne, Dr Carls joined Commerzbank through an international trainee programme in 1990.

He subsequently held various positions in Corporate Finance and Capital Markets in Frankfurt and from 1998 to 2000 was Executive Director of the investment banking division of Commerzbank in London.

From 2000 to 2008 Dr Carls was a member of the Board of Managing Directors of comdirect bank AG, from September 2002 to November 2004 as CFO and from November 2004 to March 2008 as CEO of comdirect bank AG.

From March 2008 to September 2008 he held the position as Vice-President of the Management Board and CFO of BRE Bank SA.

From March 2008 to December 2013 Dr Carls has been CEO of Commerzbank Auslandsbanken Holding AG and CEO of Central & Eastern Europe-Holding of Commerzbank AG .

In January 2014 Dr Carls became Divisional Board Member in the "Mittelstandsbank" of Commerzbank AG.

## **Thorsten Kanzler**

Thorsten Kanzler studied mechanical engineering and economics at the University of Technology in Darmstadt (Germany), where he obtained the Diplom-Wirtschaftsingenieur (M.Sc. Eng.).

From 1991 to 2004 he was employed at Deutsche Bank AG on various positions in the treasury and risk management area in Frankfurt, New York, Sydney and London. Between 2004 and 2007, Mr Kanzler was Group Treasurer and Divisional Board Member of Corporate & Investment Banking in WestLB AG in Düsseldorf. From May 2007, Mr Kanzler was Head of Group Treasury & Capital Management at Dresdner Bank AG in Frankfurt am Main.

Since the beginning of 2009, Mr Kanzler has been Divisional Board Member for Group Treasury at Commerzbank AG. Mr Kanzler is responsible for assets and liabilities management, risk management of the banking books, capital management and funding.

# Teresa Mokrysz

Ms Mokrysz graduated from the University of Economics in Katowice in 1978.

In 1990, she created the Mokate brand, one of the most recognisable Polish brands in the world. She transformed a small family firm into a global business. As one of the owners, Ms Mokrysz runs eight Mokate enterprises headquartered in Poland and in other countries of Central Europe. She built manufacturing plants in the Polish towns of Żory and Ustroń from scratch and developed the manufacturing plant located nearby Prague, Czech Republic (producing coffee, tea and intermediate goods for food industry). Under her leadership the company entered nearly 70

markets, selling its products on all continents.

Ms Mokrysz was a winner of the "Leader of the Decade" title given by Gazeta Wyborcza daily, and the "Success of the Decade" title by the Businessman Magazine. In 2000, the International Foundation for Women's Entrepreneurial Spirit from Los Angeles awarded Ms Mokrysz the title of "the most entrepreneurial woman of the world". Founder of scholarships for talented and impoverished youth, provides financial support to health care institutions, nursing homes, children's homes and schools.

#### **Stefan Schmittmann**

Born in 1956. Mr Schmittmann is a graduate of business administration, doctorate in economics at the University of St. Gallen in Switzerland. In 1986-2003, he was employed at Bayerische Vereinsbank AG and, as of 1998, with Bayerische Hypo- und Vereinsbank AG. In 2004-2005 he was a Chairman of the Board of Directors of Vereins- und Westbank AG, Hamburg. In 2005, Member of the Divisional Board of Directors in Munich and 2006-2008, Member of the Management Board of Bayerische Hypo- und Vereinsbank AG in Munich, where he was responsible for the Corporate Customer and Commercial Real Estate Customer Division, and Member of the Executive Committee UniCredit Corporate Division. Since November 2008 he is a Member of the Board of Managing Directors of Commerzbank AG, currently he is holding the position of Chief Risk Officer.

### Waldemar Stawski

Graduate of the Gdańsk Technical University and post-graduate studies in: Accounting and Finance (2009-2010), Financial Analysis in Business Management (1992-1993), Microprocessors in Energoelectronics and Propulsions (1986-1987), Didactics and Pedagogy (1984-1985).

In 1991-2011 he underwent domestic and foreign training on banking, finance and bank's organization.

Mr Stawski holds the Accounting Certificate issued by the Minister of Finance and is authorised to provide bookkeeping services. He passed the exam for the candidates for members of supervisory boards at state-owned companies (certificate MPW 8 April 1995).

In 1983-1991, Mr Stawski was a member of the teaching staff of the Martime University of Gdynia. In 1991, he became an employee of Pomorski Bank Kredytowy. In 1993, Mr Stawski became a branch director in Gdynia. In 1995-2000, he was Director of the Regional Branch of PKO BP in Gdańsk. In 2000, Mr Stawski was appointed Vice-President of the Management Board of PKO BP SA responsible for managing the treasury, corporate clients, capital market and corporate governance areas. From June 2002 to February 2003, Mr Stawski was Chairman of the Team of Receivers for Wschodni Bank Cukrownictwa SA. Then, Member of the Management Board of CTL Logistics SA and General Director of the Polish Association of Transport and Logistics Employers.

In 2006, Mr Stawski became consultant of ALDAZ Sp. z o.o. Mr Stawski currently acts as Director at Zarzecki, Lasota i Wspólnicy Sp. z o.o.

In 2012, Mr Stawski was elected Member of the Management Board of Gdańsk Business Club of which he has been a member since 1995. In 2012, he was appointed to the Council of the Martime University of Gdynia.

# Jan Szomburg

Jan Szomburg graduated the University of Gdańsk, PhD in economics. Mr Szomburg previously worked as an assistant and then as a lecturer at the University of Gdańsk.

He was a founder and the President of the Management Board of the Gdańsk Institute for Market Economics. In 1990s, Mr Szomburg was Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Polski Bank Rozwoju and Bank Gdański. He was also an advisor to the ownership transformation minister, a member of

the Prime Minister's Ownership Transformation Council.

At present, Mr Szomburg is the President of the Management Board of the Institute for Market Economics.

### **Wiesław Thor**

Wiesław Thor graduated from the Central School of Planning and Statistics (currently Warsaw School of Economics - SGH), training program "Train the Trainer" organised by KPMG and the South Carolina Business School, and summer school of banking at McIntire University Business School. Employed with BRE Bank since 1990 in the following positions: Specialist, Division Head, Deputy Director of the Warsaw Branch, Director of the Credit Department, and Chief Risk Officer from May 2000. From 1 August 2002, Country Risk Manager at Bank Handlowy S.A. in Warsaw.

On 2 November 2002, Mr Thor was appointed Member of the Management Board of BRE Bank, Chief Risk Officer. He was Vice-President of the Management Board of BRE Bank from 15 March 2008 to 11 April 2013.

Lecturer at the Warsaw Institute of Banking and SGH. Long-time Member of the Steering Committee of the Risk Management Association (formerly: Robert Morris Association European Credit & Risk Management Round Table) and Member of PRMIA Polska.

## Marek Wierzbowski

*Professor ordinarius* at the University of Warsaw, legal advisor, the founding partner of the law firm "Prof. Marek Wierzbowski & Partners – Advocates and Legal Counselors", member of the Public Procurement Council, President of the Arbitration Court of the Chamber of Brokerage Houses, Deputy Chairman of the Supervisory Board of the Warsaw Stock Exchange, member of the Board of Directors of the Polish-U.S. Fulbright Commission, member of the Council in the European Law Institute based in Vienna.

He was the deputy dean of the Faculty of Law and Administration, as well as vice chancellor of the University of Warsaw. For many years he was an associate of law firms Weil Gotshal & Manages and Linklaters. In his legal practise he managed legal teams, supporting numerous transactions, including sales of shares in connection with privatization of large enterprises. He participated in establishing brokerage houses.

Mr Wierzbowski represented the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Commission for Banking Supervision in the Supreme Administrative Court. He was an advisor to the Minister of Privatisation, the Minister of Treasury and the President of the Energy Regulatory Office. He was also the vice-president of the Court of Arbitration at the Polish Chamber of Commerce.