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Stichting Pensioenfonds A.C. Nielsen selects a.s.r. asset management

Stichting Pensioenfonds A.C. Nielsen (ACN) selects a.s.r. asset management as the full-service manager of its portfolio. ACN terminated the contract with its then fiduciary at the end of 2018, and as of 1 May 2019 the management has been outsourced to a.s.r. asset management. The portfolio comprises € 62 million and has 478 participants.

With its integrated balance sheet and asset management, a.s.r. will take care of the entire set-up, implementation and monitoring of the investment policy. The policy is focused on matching and return, and seeks to realise the pension fund's targets with due observance of the internal and external preconditions.

Jack Julicher, CEO a.s.r. asset management: 'We are very pleased that Stichting Pensioenfonds Nielsen selected a.s.r. asset management. In a consolidating market, many pension funds are looking for a suitable solution. a.s.r. asset management has a long history of integrated balance sheet and asset management for Dutch institutional investors and can offer such a solution.'

Bob de Vos, Chairman of the Board of Pensioenfonds A.C. Nielsen: 'After a very thorough selection process managed by WTW, the Board of Pensioenfonds A.C. Nielsen has chosen the services of a.s.r. asset management. We were looking for a robust organisation with a long track record and services which are independent where needed. Additionally, costs, socially responsible investing and extensive knowledge of the Dutch pensions sector were important factors in the choice we have made. With a.s.r. asset management, we provide our participants with a prudent and sustainable investment policy.'

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About a.s.r. asset management

a.s.r. asset management, the Dutch asset managers, has well over € 55 billion under management. We are a down-to-earth, Dutch asset manager who recognises the importance of sustainable investing. Customers of a.s.r. asset management include pension funds, insurers, donor-advised funds, educational institutions and government bodies. We work together with them on a daily basis to achieve a sound return. A return that contributes to their goals. a.s.r. asset management is part of ASR Nederland N.V. For more information, please go to www.asrvermogensbeheer.nl.

About A.C. Nielsen

Pensioenfonds A.C. Nielsen is a company pension fund. The fund was formed on 16 March 1962 and has its registered office in Amsterdam. Until 1 January 2015, Pensioenfonds A.C. Nielsen was responsible for the pension scheme of its affiliated undertaking A.C. Nielsen Nederland B.V. Since 1 January 2015, Pensioenfonds A.C. Nielsen is a closed-end fund. This means that, with the exception of several people with occupational disabilities, pensions are no longer built up for A.C. Nielsen's employees. The employees of A.C. Nielsen (with the exception of the employees who previously were employed by Brandbank), have been building up pension with Stichting Pensioenfonds VNU since 1 January 2015. All pensions built up until 1 January 2015 were left with Pensioenfonds A.C. Nielsen and have not been transferred to Pensioenfonds VNU.

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