

## European Women on Boards **Gender Diversity Index**

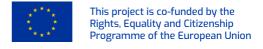
2019





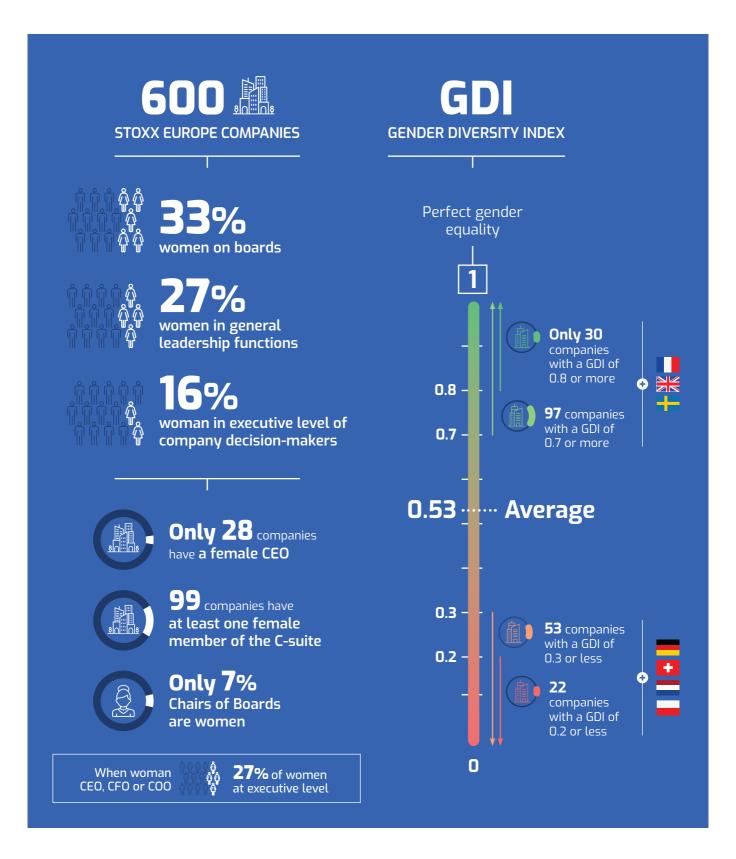






# Content

- **04** Executive summary
- **06** Terminology
- **07** Foreword
- **08** Introduction
- 10 Overall findings
- 19 Sectoral findings
- 22 Country findings
- 68 Annex Methodology









## Executive summary

# There is still a long way to go for European companies to achieve gender-balanced leadership.

Women comprise one third (33%) of board members in STOXX Europe 600 companies. Significant progress has been made in increasing the share of women on boards. However, gender diversity at other levels of corporate governance is still a mirage:

- Only just over a quarter (27%) of leadership positions are occupied by women. This figure represents the proportion of women (removing double-counting when the same person holds different roles) in all the top layers of governance, as well as on board committees:
- Women are much less likely than men to be in executive positions: only 16% of leaders in the second layer of corporate governance and, where they exist, in the third layer of corporate governance, are women;
- Only 28 companies covered in this study (4.7% of the dataset) have a female CEO;
- 99 companies, representing 17% of the dataset, have at least one female member of the C-suite (only counting CEOs, CFOs or COOs);
- Women are much less likely to hold chair positions then men at all layers of governance. Only 7% of Chairs of Boards are women.
- Companies that have a woman as CEO, CFO or COO tend to have more women in executive positions. The 99 companies analysed that have a woman in one of these three positions have 27% of women at executive level

Even in those companies where the overall share of women is rather balanced, the share of women in executive roles lags behind.

The average Gender Diversity Index of companies analysed is 0.53, with 1 being the value representing perfect gender equality. Only 30 companies (5%) are close to having gender-balanced leadership with a GDI value that is 0.8 or more. On the other hand, 53 companies in the dataset (9%) have strongly male-dominated boards with a GDI of 0.3 or less. In 2019, there are still three companies out of 598 which have no woman represented in any of their leadership roles.

Companies from Norway, France and Sweden are closest to having gender-balanced governance. Of the top 20 companies according to the Gender Diversity Index, 7 are French and 5 are Swedish. Although Norway has relatively few companies in the index (only 15), these companies tend to achieve a good score and two of them are in the top 20. Swiss companies, on the other hand, have the least diverse leadership. Of the bottom 20 companies in the Index, 10 are Swiss.

Companies in sectors of financial and insurance services, technology and media and "other" (i.e. utilities and travel and leisure) tend to have greater gender balance in their leadership than other sectors, but differences are not statistically significant.

# Terminology

#### ABSOLUTE COUNT OF WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP

Absolute number of women in leadership positions which removes duplications due to the fact that the same person may exercise multiple roles, divided by the absolute number of leaders (men and women). This indicator covers all data points per company (layers 1, 2 and 3 of decision making, as well as all committees).

#### **AUDIT AND COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE**

Board committee in charge of overseeing financial reporting and disclosure.

#### **BOARD LEVEL**

Members of the Board of Directors or Supervisory Board. The Layer 1 (top layer) of decision making.

#### **BOARD COMMITTEES**

Committees appointed by the Board to focus on specific areas and make specific recommendations to the Board. Terminology differs according to companies.

#### **C-SUITE**

Top executives or highest-level corporate positions in a company. Some examples include CEO, COO, CFO, CMO and CIO.

#### CEO

Chief Executive Officer.

Chief Financial Officer.

#### **CONTROL COMMITTEES**

Audit and Compliance committees.

Chief Operations Officer.

Gender Diversity Index.

#### **EXECUTIVE LEVEL**

Combination of C-suite executives and members of layers 2 and 3 of decision making.

#### **LEADERSHIP POSITIONS**

(see also absolute count of women in leadership). This indicator covers all data points per company (layers 1, 2 and 3 of decision making, as well as all committees).

#### **LAYER 1 OF DECISION MAKING**

the highest decision-making body, usually termed the Supervisory Board (in a two-tier governance system) or the Board of Directors (in a unitary system). Referred to as the Board in this study.

#### LAYERS 2 AND/OR 3 OF DECISION MAKING

some companies have two layers of decision making (i.e. a Board of directors and an Executive committee), while others have three layers (i.e. a Board of directors, an Executive committee and a Management committee). Both layers 2 and 3 are referred to as the executive level in this study.

#### **NOMINATION COMMITTEE**

A Nomination Committee evaluates the Board of Directors and examines the skills and characteristics needed by board candidates

#### REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

Board committee whose delegated responsibilities include setting the policy for the remuneration of the executive management

#### **STOXX EUROPE 600**

Stock index of European stocks that has a fixed number of 600 components representing large, mid and small capitalization companies in 17 European countries.

# Foreword



Päivi Jokinen Chairwoman European Women on Boards

Despite advanced science and technology and the good intentions of many male and female leaders, today's corporate world is still far from gender equality. A multitude of research papers has proven that diversity in decision making influences business positively. In real life, we have seen that men and women working together complement each other in thinking, learning, solving complex issues and in creating new. And yet, in 2019, something is keeping the number of women in leadership positions low.

In 2012, the European Commission proposed legislation to increase the number of women on corporate boards by 40% in publicly listed companies. Now, 7 years later, the European Women on Boards, a Brussels-based non-profit organization, has commissioned research to understand the progress made. This first research focusing on executive and decision making bodies of the 600 companies listed on STOXX Europe 600 from 17 European countries uses a weighted Gender Diversity Index to measure individual companies' performance. Through this lens, we gain insights on gender diversity in European corporate world, by country and by company.

The research seems to indicate that change through legislation and binding quotas is still debatable. Countries with quotas do not seem to do better than the ones where progress has been made through social change. It comes as no surprise to the reader that the Nordic countries have more women on their boards, but some of the countries in the lower ranks might be unexpected. The results by industry are interesting as well and invite for more research to outline patterns.

It is our commitment at The European Women on Boards to continue measuring gender equality progress and to help corporations make the change. The aim is not to promote board members based on gender, but to have the best talent available for the selection. Both men and women need to fully comprehend what more balanced boards can bring. It is not only women who should be trained, but equally the men. Our end goal is equality and this is why we want to encourage both men and women to join the change."

# Introduction

"Despite some encouraging progress in recent years, the under-representation of women on corporate boards and in management positions remains an important challenge for EU Member States. This under-representation means that the potential of highly skilled and needed human resources remains untapped."

European Commission 2019 Report on equality between women and men in the EU

The evidence about the benefits of gender equality in the workforce and more specifically in positions of decision making is growing. For example, the International Labour Organisation has found that companies that have female CEOs and/or those that have gender diversity policies are more likely to report<sup>1</sup>:

- > better business outcomes;
- > increased productivity and profits:
- > an ability to attract and retain talent;
- > stronger company reputation; and
- > greater creativity, innovation and openness.

Policy action to raise the share of women in company boards is also gaining momentum. Some countries are putting in place measures to promote diversity in company boards. These can be regulatory measures – notably binding quotas (which exist in Belgium, Germany, France, Italy and Norway) - or soft measures such as quotas without sanctions or which are only applicable to public companies (in Denmark, Ireland, Greece, Spain, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Austria, Poland, Portugal, Slovenia, Finland, Sweden and the United Kingdom)<sup>2</sup>.

EWoB mission is to advocate for gender diversity in boards, to disseminate good practices on corporate governance policies and measures which favor gender diversity, to contribute to the development and empowerment of women who are candidates for board positions and to make an insightful and valuable contribution to European policy debates on measures to foster gender equality in decision making.

The Gender Diversity Index on Women on Boards was developed to allow companies to benchmark themselves against other companies in their country or sector with regard to the diversity of their boards and other key positions. Existing statistics, notably those made available by the European Gender Equality Institute, provide an overview of the share of women on boards and in executive positions per country. However, the published data do not show which companies perform well and which perform poorly with regard to diversity. In this report, EWOB identifies the best examples among the diverse companies in the STOXX Europe 600 index<sup>3</sup>.

#### Note on methodology

This report is based on the data from 598 European companies that are publicly quoted and which are listed in the STOXX Europe 600 index<sup>4</sup>.

8 © KANTAR OS

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ILO (2019) Women in business and management: the business case for change

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> European Commission (2019) 2019 Report on equality between women and men in the EU

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> STOXX Europe 600 is a stock exchange index that represents large, mid and small capitalization companies across 17 countries of the European region: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Heineken was listed twice in the STOXX Europe 600 and was therefore removed from the list. Old Mutual was also removed as they have informed us that the company is now largely based in South Africa.

The data for the report were compiled and analysed by Kantar. In the first phase of research, the data were collected based on a comprehensive review of websites and annual reports of companies listed in the index. In the second phase of research, companies were given the possibility to review and validate or amend the data collected. Subsequently, Kantar calculated the various indicators used in this report.

Caveat: The data in this report were compiled in the month of August 2019 and companies had the possibility to validate or amend the data in the September to mid-October 2019 period. This report therefore presents the situation as of October 2019. Company boards and persons in executive functions change regularly. It is therefore possible that the situation of specific companies has changed by the time this report is published.

The data collected for each company refers only to the legal entity that is listed in the STOXX Europe 600. This means that even if a company acts in different countries, the information collected does not refer to all these countries, but only to the country where the legal entity is registered.

#### How to read the Index

A key indicator for this report is the Gender Diversity Index (GDI). GDI is an aggregate indicator that reflects:

- > the share of women in all leadership positions accounting only for the absolute number of women and men (i.e. if the same woman is in several functions, she is only counted once);
- > the share of women on boards (highest layer of decision making typically called the Supervisory board or the Board of Directors)
- > the share of women in executive functions (the second layer and, where it exists, the third layer of decision making which includes company executives); and
- > the share of women in board committees.

The ideal value of the index is 1. A score of 1 would be assigned to a company that has perfect equality

between women and men<sup>5</sup>. The score of 0 would be assigned to a company with no women in the analysed positions. The score of 2 would be given to a company with no men in the analysed positions.

Subsequently, the ranking of companies is established according to the difference between the company index and the score of 1. A few companies have a score that is higher than 1. Given that the index considers perfect equality as best performance, those companies that have a score higher than 1 are not necessarily ranked the highest. Their ranking depends on the difference between their score and 1.

The calculation of the index is presented in the annex on methodology.

#### How the GDI is calculated?

#### GDI OPTIMAL VALUE = 1

Equal participation of women and men in company decision making Absolute count of women in leadership (% of women in all layers of decision making and in all board committees removing double counting when the same person has multiple positions)

Share of women at Board level (Top layer of decision making)

Share of women at executive level (layer 2 and 3 of decision making, including C-suite)

Share of women in board committees

**Comment:** While the number of companies analysed was 598, the number of companies ranked according to the index is 547.

This is because for the remaining companies there was no available information about layer 2 of their decision making in publicly available documents. As a result, data on a key pillar of the index were not available.

These remaining companies are therefore not ranked according to the index, although they are still part of the analysis for other indicators.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The index is an aggregate indicator which results from the four components. It is possible, though rare, that a company would have a higher number of women in certain functions. Therefore, the ideal value of 1 can also be achieved through other combinations of values than perfect equality at all components of the indicator. For example, if a company had a more than 50% share of absolute number of women in leadership but a less than 50% share of women on the board (layer 1) these two values could even up. For more details see the section on methodology.

# Overall findings

## **Top 20 companies in STOXX Europe 600 according to Gender Diversity Index**

Country with binding quotas for women on boards

TOP 20 COMPANIES ACCORDING TO GDI<sup>6</sup>

RANK	COMPANY	COUNTRY	GDI	% women in <b>leadership</b> – absolute count	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in <b>executive level</b>	% women in committees
1	Castellum	SE	1.04	50	57	50	56
2	Kering	FR 414	1.06	52	64	33	73
3	Sodexo	FR 4	0.94	42	54	37	77
4	Iliad	FR 414	0.91	45	42	30	83
5	Accor	FR 4	0.9	45	55	24	68
6	Gecina	FR 414	0.9	42	50	45	50
7	EasyJet	UK	0.89	48	30	50	45
8	DNB	NO 4T4	0.88	43	43	50	38
9	L'Oreal	FR 414	0.88	45	53	32	48
10	Suez Environnement	FR 414	0.87	43	42	43	50
11	Cofinimmo	BE 4Î4	0.86	46	45	33	43
12	BHP Group Plc.	<b>UK</b>	0.86	43	36	47	47
13	Diageo	<b>UK</b>	0.85	39	50	42	47
14	Telenor	NO 4T4	0.85	36	44	56	44
15	Fabege	SE	0.85	40	50	38	50
16	Auto Trader Group	UK	0.84	39	50	35	54
17	Moneysupermarket Com Gp.	UK	0.83	38	57	28	60
18	Hexpol 'B'	SE	0.83	36	57	22	80
19	Hennes and Mauritz B	SE	0.83	40	67	29	25
20	Investor B	SE SE	0.82	40	36	57	25

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> For easier visualisation, the GDI scores are displayed with two digits (from 0.00 to 2.00). Companies that may appear to have the same GDI score may actually show differences when all digits are taken into account.

Source: EWOB database of women in decision making

The company that ranks first according to the GDI is CASTELLUM. Even though it has an Index score lower than Kering's, it is closer to the ideal score of 1. The ranking is established based on the difference between the company Index and the score of 1, with the highest ranking given to scores closer to 1.



**CASTELLUM** is a real estate company from Sweden which has<sup>7</sup>:

Overall 18 persons in leadership positions with a perfect split between women (9) and men (9)



7 board members of whom **4 are women**;

8 members at executive level (layers 2 and 3) of whom 4 are women;

A CEO man and a **CFO woman**.



In second position is **Kering**, a French company in the luxury sector and one of the few companies in the dataset with slightly more women in leadership roles than men. It has:

Overall 52% of women (12 persons out of 23) in leadership positions



**7 women** among the 11 board members;

**4 women** among the 13 members of staff at executive level:

and **2 women** among the 5 C-level executives.



Another French company, **SODEXO** is ranked third with:

14 women in overall leadership representing 42% of the 33 persons



**7 women** are board directors alongside 6 men;

**10 women** are at the executive level (out of 27 persons – i.e. 37%);

and of the 7 persons in the C-suite, **3 are women**.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> This information refers to data collected during August 2019

## Bottom 20 companies in STOXX Europe 600 according to Gender Diversity Index

BOTTOM 20 COMPANIES ACCORDING TO GDI<sup>8</sup>

Country with binding quotas for women on boards

RANK	COMPANY	COUNTRY	GDI	% women in <b>leadership</b> – absolute count	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in <b>executive level</b>	% women in committees
547	Ambu 'B'	DK	0	• 0	• 0	• 0	• 0
546	Nemetschek	DE 4	0	• 0	• 0	• 0	NA
545	United Internet	DE 41	0	• 0	• 0	• 0	NA
544	Glanbia	IE	0.09	4	7	• 0	9
543	Swiss Life Hldg	+ CH	0.11	5	8	• 0	12
542	Kuehne + Nagel	+ CH	0.13	6	13	• 0	10
541	Argenx	BE ₄∄	0.14	7	13	• 0	11
540	Deutsche Wohnen	DE 4T4	0.15	8	17	• 0	• 0
539	Sika	+ CH	0.15	7	13	• 0	17
538	Baloise	+ CH	0.16	9	10	• 0	13
537	Barry Callebaut	+ CH	0.16	11	20	• 0	13
536	Demant	<b>DK</b>	0.17	10	13	• 0	9
535	Galenica Sante Ag	+ CH	0.17	8	14	• 0	14
534	Porsche Pref	DE 414	0.17	11	17	• 0	• 0
533	Psp Swiss Property	+ CH	0.18	10	14	• 0	9
532	Adyen	NL	0.19	9	25	• 0	• 0
531	Lindtdnd Spruengli Reg	+ CH	0.19	8	17	• 0	22
530	Schindler P	+ CH	0.2	9	18	• 0	18
529	LPP	PL	0.2	9	17	• 0	20
528	RTL Group	LU	0.2	12	8	11	• 0

<sup>8</sup> For easier visualisation, the GDI scores are displayed with two digits (from 0.00 to 2.00). Companies that may appear to have the same GDI score may actually show differences when all digits are taken into account.Source: EWOB database of women in decision making

At the bottom of the GDI are three companies which have no women at board or at executive level. In these three companies, women are not present in any executive management positions. In one of the three companies, not only are women absent from the board and the executive level, but they also do not take part in any board committees. These companies are<sup>9</sup>:



**United Internet** a technology company from Germany which has a very small board and executive level according to publicly available information (three men on the board and two men in executive functions). There is no publicly available information on the committees.



**Nemetschek** – another German technology company with a very small governance structure (four members at board level and 3 at C-suite level). There is no publicly available information on the committees.



**AMBU 'B'** – a Danish health care company which has 8 men in the board of directors, 7 men at executive level and in which all committee members are also male.

## Fewer than 5% of companies are close to gender equality at board and executive level

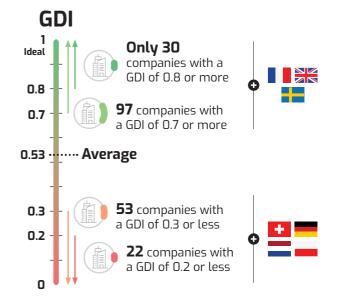
## The average GDI across the STOXX Europe 600 index is 0.53 points.

Only some 30 (5%) companies have a GDI that is 0.8 or more. Most of these companies (23) are from only three countries: France, the UK and Sweden. In addition, there are 3 Norwegian companies, one Belgian, one Italian and one Dutch company.

There are 97 companies (16%) with a GDI that is 0.7 and above and these are mostly companies from France, the UK and Sweden (68 out of 97 companies – i.e. 71%).

At the other end of the spectrum, there are 22 companies (4%) with a GDI of 0.2 or less and 53 (9%) with an index of 0.3 or less. As mentioned above, there are three companies which have no woman on the board or at executive level. When looking at the 53 companies which have a GDI of 0.3 or less, we see that nearly two-thirds of these companies are from four countries: Switzerland, Germany, the Netherlands and Poland.

In fact, a quarter of Swiss companies (15 out of 52) are in this bottom part of the ranking as are one third of Dutch companies (6 out of 24) and over a half of Polish companies (5 out of 9).



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> This information refers to data collected during August 2019

 $<sup>^{10}</sup>$ UK has the largest overall number of companies in the dataset – 153 i.e. 25% of the dataset

# While gender diversity at board level has improved, women remain under-represented in decision-making roles

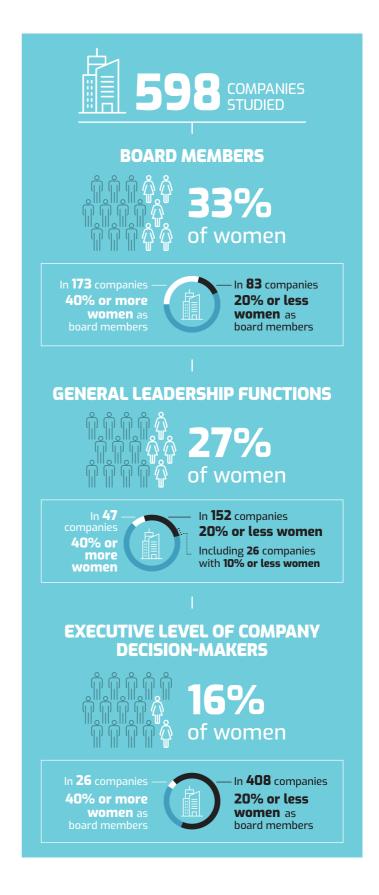
Of all the **board members** in the listed 598 companies, one third (33%) are women. European Gender Equality Institute statistics show that there has been an important increase in the share of women on boards in the EU in the past decade<sup>11</sup>. In our dataset, more than a quarter of companies (29% - 173 companies) have boards comprising 40% or more of women. At the same time, 83 companies (14% of the dataset) have 20% or fewer women on their boards.

# But the situation is worse when other important positions in companies' governance are examined.

The share of women in leadership functions in general (the three top layers of governance and all board committees) is below the share of women on boards. In this indicator, we only count women and men who hold multiple leadership functions once. In this absolute count of persons in leadership positions, only 27% are women. There are only 47 companies (8% of the dataset) where the absolute share of women in leadership is 40% or more. At the same time, in a quarter of companies analysed (152 exactly), the absolute share of women in leadership roles is 20% or less. In 26 of these companies (4% of the companies analysed), the share of women is at 10% or less.

The situation is even worse when the **executive level of company decision-makers** is considered. This covers the second and possibly third layers of decision making. Only 16% of all persons in these leadership positions are women. In only 26 companies (4% of the dataset), do women represent 40% or more of leaders at the executive level. In the vast majority of companies analysed (408 – i.e. 68% of the dataset), there are 20% women or fewer at the executive level.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 11}$  European Commission (2019) 2019 Report on equality between women and men in the EU



Even companies that have diverse leadership overall tend to concentrate women in roles with less decision making and less of a direct impact on company performance. The table below shows the top 20 companies according to the absolute number of women in leadership roles. In most cases, the share of women at executive level is lower than the share of women on the board. The share of women on committees, on the other hand, is often high and well above 50% in 8 of the top 20 companies.

#### TOP 20 COMPANIES ACCORDING TO THE ABSOLUTE SHARE OF WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP POSITIONS<sup>12</sup>



COMPANY	COUNTRY	% women in leadership – absolute count	GDI	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in executive level	% women in committees
Kering	FR	52	1.06	64	33	73
Castellum	SE	50	1.04	57	50	56
Easyjet	UK	48	0.89	30	50	45
Cofinimmo	BE	46	0.86	45	33	43
Rubis	FR	46	0.73	45	• 0	44
Accor	FR	45	0.9	55	24	68
Iliad	FR	45	0.91	42	30	83
L'Oréal	FR	45	0.88	53	32	48
DNB	NO NO	43	0.88	43	50	38
Suez Environnement	FR	43	0.87	42	43	50
BHP Group Plc.	UK	43	0.95	36	47	47
Sodexo	FR	42	0.94	54	37	77
Altran Technologies	FR	42	0.78	56	• 0	69
Gecina	FR	42	0.9	50	45	50
Taylor Wimpey	UK	42	0.8	40	30	47
Total	FR	42	0.81	58	11	56
Exor Nv	IT	42	0.8	33	36	50
Halma	UK	42	0.82	40	33	56
Sap	DE	42	0.79	56	14	47
Elis	FR	42	0.72	50	• 0	50

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> For easier visualisation, the GDI scores are displayed with two digits (from 0.00 to 2.00). Companies that may appear to have the same GDI score may actually show differences when all digits are taken into account.

#### Very few women in the C-Suite

The representation of women in the C-suite is even lower than at board level. Women represent only 14% of all C-level executives in the dataset.

The indicator about C-suite includes all persons who were in positions that were explicitly named "Chief" – be it Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Operations Officer, etc. Not all companies reviewed list on their websites or in their annual reports persons other than the CEO and often the CFO. Company traditions with regard to names of positions vary in this regard. However, when looking at the data for the companies that validated the data, the trend that women are much less present in executive functions than on boards is confirmed.

When specifically examining the functions of CEO, CFO or COO, it can be seen that **only 17**% of companies analysed have at least one woman in these roles.

C-LEVEL EXECUTIVES
(CEO - CFO - COO...)

179/6
of women

When woman CEO, CFO or COO of women

28 women at executive level

O,64

CFO

When woman CEO or COO

When woman CEO or COO

The state of the sta

Women represent **fewer than 5% of CEOs in STOXX Europe 600 companies**. More precisely, there are only 28 female CEOs in the dataset (i.e. 4.7%).

Women are **slightly more likely to be in a CFO than a CEO** position. There were 60 women at CFO level among the companies reviewed. This represents 12% of all the 505 CFOs who were identified.

The share of **women COOs** in the dataset was comparable to the share of CFOs. Out of the 152 COOs who were named in companies' publicly available documentation, **17 were women** (i.e. 11%).

Companies that have a woman as CEO, CFO or COO tend to have more women in executive positions. The 99 companies analysed that have a woman in one of these three positions have 27% of women at executive level. This is an increase of 11pp. compared to the average. In addition, the average GDI score for these companies is 0.64, or 0.11 higher than the overall GDI score average.

When it comes to the 28 companies that have a woman as CEO, there is an even higher percentage of women at executive level: 30%.

At the time of collecting the data for this report, as of August 2019, the study found that only four companies have both a female CEO and a female CFO or COO. These companies are:

**Proximus** (Belgium, Telecommunications) – both the CEO and CFO are women (overall ranking of 90 with a GDI of 0.7). There are 25% of women at executive level, 9 pp. higher than the average;

**ENGIE** (France, Utilities) – both the CEO and CFO are women (overall ranking of 166 with a GDI of 0.62). There are 35% of women at executive level, 19 pp. higher than the average;

**Bolsas y Mercados Espanoles** (Spain, Financial services) – both the CEO and CFO are women (overall ranking of 226 with a GDI of 0.56). There are 27% of women at executive level, 11 pp. higher than the average; and

Bank of Ireland group (Ireland, financial services) – with a female CEO and COO (overall ranking of 250 with a GDI of 0.55). There are 22% of women at executive level, 6 pp. higher than the average

#### Chairing positions are also predominantly male

## There were only 41 women in the position of Chair of the board in the companies analysed.

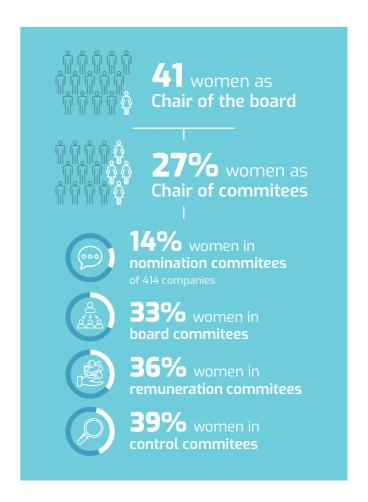
This represents fewer than 7% of all companies (6.9%).

There are more women in positions as chairs of committees. They represent 27% across the dataset.

Nomination committees, which ultimately nominate the board of directors, are chaired by women only in 14% of the 414 companies where a chair on nomination committee was identified.

Women tend, however, to be more present in the remuneration committees. Remuneration committees are responsible for policy regarding remuneration of executive management. Women represent 36% of chairs of these committees in STOXX Europe 600 companies.

In general, women are more present in board committees than at other levels of company governance. They represent 33% of board committee members. Their share is somewhat higher in control committees (39%).



#### **Countries ranking according to GDI**

The countries with a GDI closest to equality are Norway, France and Sweden. When looking only at countries which have at least 10 companies in the dataset, Switzerland ranks lowest. This is consistent with the information on the country of registration of companies that rank at the top and at the bottom of the index, as discussed earlier.

In addition to the average GDI, it is interesting to look at the distribution of companies according to the GDI average. There are 284 companies in the dataset with an average or above-average GDI. The remaining 263 companies have a below-average GDI.

When looking at the companies that have an average or above-average GDI we find:

**93%** (14) of all **Norwegian** companies in the index;

**81%** (70) of all **French** companies;

**76%** (33) of all **Swedish** companies;

**58%** (70) of all **British** companies;

48% (12) of all Italian companies.

On the other hand, when looking at companies **below the GDI average** we find:

**92%** (46) of **Swiss** companies;

nearly all (8 out of 9) Polish companies;

**64%** (48) of **German** companies;

**63%** (15) of **Dutch**; and

**65%** (15) of **Spanish** companies.

Interestingly, not all countries with binding quotas for board members are high in the ranking. In fact, this is the case only for France and Norway. The other countries have an average (Belgium, Italy) or below-average (Germany) GDI.

The detailed findings per country are presented in subsequent sections of this report.

#### **COUNTRY FINDINGS**

SUMMARY<sup>13</sup>



RANK	COUNTRY	# of companies in dataset	GDI	% women in leadership – absolute count	% women on the <b>board</b>		% women in committees	% women Chairs of board	% women CEO
1 #	Norway 🕸	15	0.68	35	39	27	38	20	7
2	France 414	88	0.65	32	42	19	43	2	5
3	Sweden	44	0.61	30	38	22	33	20	7
4	<b>U</b> K	153	0.56	28	32	20	38	3	6
5 +	Finland	16	0.53	26	32	18	32	• 0	6
6	Belgium 🕸	16	0.53	26	34	13	36	6	13
7	Italy 🕮	33	0.53	26	35	12	41	21	• 0
8 =	Netherlands	24	0.49	26	34	17	28	• 0	4
9 📗	Ireland	9	0.49	25	28	16	33	• 0	11
10 #	Denmark	23	0.49	25	31	16	27	4	4
11	Portugal	4	0.48	24	24	26	21	25	• 0
12 =	Germany 41	76	0.47	25	33	12	24	5	1
13	Austria	7	0.46	24	34	7	35	14	• 0
14 💌	Spain	26	0.46	24	24	16	31	4	8
15	Poland	9	0.35	18	21	9	30	22	• 0
16 🛨	Switzerland	52	0.35	18	24	10	24	8	2
17	Luxembourg	3	0.29	13	21	6	27	• 0	• 0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> For easier visualisation, the GDI scores are displayed with two digits (from 0.00 to 2.00). Companies that may appear to have the same GDI score may actually show differences when all digits are taken into account.Source: EWOB database of women in decision making

# Sectoral findings

The study also looked at sectoral differences in gender diversity of company leadership. In the STOXX Europe 600, each company is already allocated into a sector. For the purpose of this study, the companies were aggregated into broader sectors to avoid having sectors with very small numbers of companies.

Overall, the differences between sectors are not statistically significant. There are differences however when looking at the share of women in CEO positions or the share of women who are Chairs of Boards.

The most interesting points when looking at the data per sectors are:

#### 'OTHER' GROUPS

The following two sectors according to STOXX Europe 600 categories: utilities and travel and leisure. It is more specifically the 'travel and leisure' sector that pushes up the overall ranking of this aggregate sector. Most (12 out of the total of 14 - 86%) companies in the travel and leisure subsector have a GDI that is average or above average. However, this is also the case of 65% (17 out of 26) utilities companies.

#### **TECHNOLOGY & MEDIA**

The positive ranking of the technology and media aggregate sector is driven by the media and telecom sub-sectors, while the technology sub-sector performs less well. In the telecom sub-sector, 60% of companies (9 out of 15) have a GDI that is average or above. In the media sub-sector, this is even higher with 83% of companies (15 out of 18) having this index.

#### **CONSUMPTION GOODS & RETAIL SECTOR**

In the consumption goods and retail sector, all subsectors have more than 50% of companies that have an average or above-average GDI. This is most obvious in the sub-sector of personal and household goods where 60% of companies (18 out of 28) have this score. For the food and beverage and the retail sub-sector this is 50% and 44% respectively.

The table bollow gives an overview of the findings for each sector. The table overleaf shows the top 3 companies for each sector.

#### **SECTORAL FINDINGS** – SUMMARY<sup>14</sup>

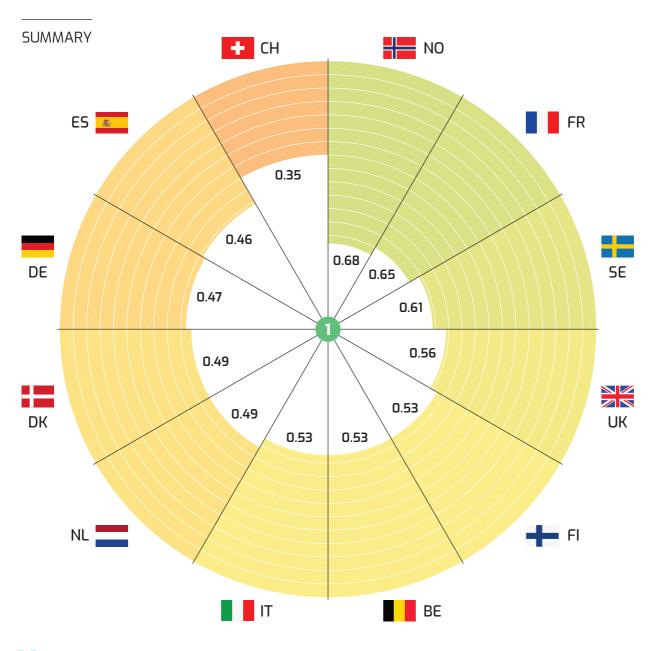
COUNTRY	# of companies in sector	GDI	% women in leadership – absolute count	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in executive level	% women in committees	% female Chairs of board	% female CEO
Other	47	0.59	30	34	22	34	9	9
Technology & Media	66	0.56	28	36	19	37	11	6
Financial & Insurance services	109	0.55	28	34	18	36	8	8
Consumption goods & Retail	87	0.54	28	35	18	35	6	3
Basic Resources & Chemicals	64	0.51	26	31	17	33	8	3
Construction & Real Estate	51	0.5	26	32	16	32	8	2
Health Care & Pharma	56	0.5	26	32	15	34	5	5
Industrial Goods & Services	118	0.49	25	32	13	33	3	2

<sup>14</sup> For easier visualisation, the GDI scores are displayed with two digits (from 0.00 to 2.00). Companies that may appear to have the same GDI score may actually show differences when all digits are taken into account.
Source: EWOB database of women in decision making

TOP 3	COMPANIES	FOR FACH	SECTOR <sup>14</sup>
101 2			

TOP 3 COMPA	INICS FOR EACH SE	CTOR			% women in	%	% women	%	Women	
SUB-SECTOR	COMPANY	COUNTRY	RANK	GDI	leadership – absolute count	women on the <b>board</b>	in <b>executive</b> level	women in committees	Chair of Board	Women CEO
SECTOR 'OTHER'	(47 COMPANIES)									
Travel & Leisure	Sodexo	FR	3	0.94	42	54	37	77		8
Travel & Leisure	Accor	FR	5	0.90	45	55	24	68	8	×
Travel & Leisure	Easyjet	UK	7	0.89	48	30	50	45	8	8
'FINANCIAL & INSURANCE SERVICES' (109)										
Banks	DNB	NO NO	8	0.88	43	43	50	38	<b>⊘</b>	8
Financial Services	Investor B	SE	20	0.82	40	36	57	25	8	×
Financial Services	Wendel	FR	22	0.82	39	50	33	46	8	8
TECHNOLOGY &	<b>MEDIA'</b> (66)									
Technology	Iliad	FR	4	0.91	45	42	30	83	8	×
Media	Auto Trader Group	FR	16	0.84	39	50	35	54	8	8
Media	Moneysupermarket Com Gp.	UK	17	0.83	38	57	28	60	8	×
'CONSUMPTION	GOODS & RETAIL (87)									
Retail	Kering	FR	2	1.06	52	64	33	73	8	8
Personal & Household Goods	L'Oréal	FR	9	0.88	45	53	32	48	8	8
Food & Beverage	Diageo	<b>UK</b>	13	0.85	39	50	42	47	8	8
BASIC RESOURC	CES & CHEMICALS' (64)									
Basic Resources	Bhp Group Plc.	UK UK	12	0.86	43	36	47	47	8	8
Chemicals	Hexpol 'B'	SE SE	18	0.83	36	57	22	80	8	8
Oil & Gas	Total	FR	27	0.81	42	58	11	56	8	×
'CONSTRUCTION	& REAL ESTATE' (51)									
Real Estate	Castellum	SE SE	1	1.04	50	57	50	56		×
Real Estate	Gecina	FR	6	0.90	42	50	45	50	8	
Real Estate	Cofinimmo	BE	11	0.86	46	45	33	43	8	8
'HEALTH CARE δ	<b>PHARMA</b> ' (56)									
	Genmab	DK	43	0.77	35	33	36	67	8	8
Health Care & Pharma	Novozymes	FR	44	0.76	41	40	22	50	8	×
	Essilorluxottica	FR	49	0.76	41	44	25		8	×
'INDUSTRIAL GO	ODS & SERVICES' (118)									
totorede d	Halma	UK UK	21	0.82	42	40	33	56		8
Industrial Goods & Services	Legrand	FR	38	0.78	37	45	20	73	8	×
	Wirecard	DE	40	0.78	40	50	25	N/A	×	×

# Country findings



# Norway #=

Norway is the highest ranked country among the 12 European countries included in the STOXX Europe 600 and covered by this analysis, with an Index score of 0.68. Norway scores higher than the European average for all indicators. It is also the top country when considering the executive-level positions.

There are 15 companies in the Index for Norway which limits the possibility of a detailed analysis of the situation in the country.

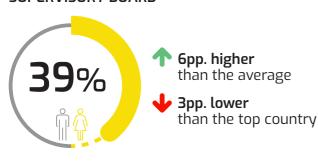
In the 15 companies ranked in the Index:

- > three companies have a woman as Chair of the Board.
- > one company has a **woman as CEO** and two have **women as CFOs**.

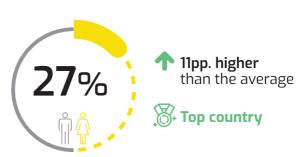


#### **Women representation** in leadership positions

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS / SUPERVISORY BOARD**



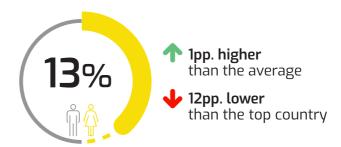
#### **EXECUTIVE LEVEL**



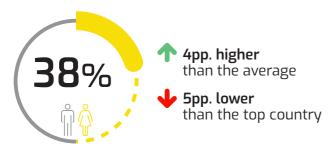
#### CHAIR OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS / **SUPERVISORY BOARD**



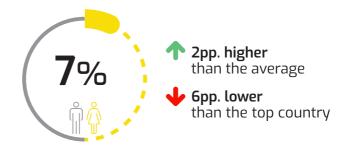
**CFO** 



#### **BOARD AND CONTROL COMMITTEES**



**CEO** 



There are four companies (27%) in Norway with a GDI score higher than 0.80 and a total of seven companies (47%) with a GDI score higher than 0.70. There is only one company below the average, with a GDI score of 0.25.

Norway's top five companies have an average Index score of 0.83. This means 0.30 percentage points higher than the overall average European score. All five companies are ranked among the 50 top companies in the GDI 2019<sup>14</sup>.

COMPANY	RANK	GDI	% women in leadership – absolute count	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in <b>executive</b> level	% women in committees	Chair of Board	Chief Executive Officer
OVERALL AVERAGE		0.53	27	33	16	34		
TOP COMPANY	1	1.04	52	67	57	83		
DNB	8	0.88	43	43	50	38		×
Telenor	14	0.85	36	44	33	44		*
Schibsted Gruppen	23	0.82	39	40	45	43	8	<b>⊘</b>
Gjensidige Forsikring	25	0.81	41	50	25	50	<b>②</b>	8
Storebrand	41	0.77	39	57	22	33	8	×

List of all companies in Norway including overall ranking and country ranking:

OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
8	1	DNB
14	2	Telenor
23	3	Schibsted Gruppen
25	4	Gjensidige Forsikring
41	5	Storebrand
52	6	Orkla
95	7	Norsk Hydro
121	8	Tgs-Nopec Geophysical
125	9	Yara
136	10	Aker Bp
153	11	Equinor
160	12	Salmar
189	13	Mowi
194	14	Tomra Systems
517	15	Subsea7

<sup>14</sup> For easier visualisation, the GDI scores are displayed with two digits (from 0.00 to 2.00). Companies that may appear to have the same GDI score may actually show differences when all digits are taken into account.

# France I

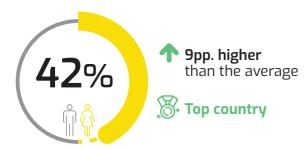
The Gender Diversity Index ranks France in second place among the 12 European countries included in the STOXX Europe 600 and covered by this analysis, with a score of 0.65. This score is 0.12 points above the European average and only 0.03 below the best scoring country<sup>17</sup>.

France has the highest percentage of women on Boards of Directors/Supervisory Boards, as well as on Board and Control committees. Even though female representation is high, France has one of the lowest percentages of women who are Chairs of the Board.

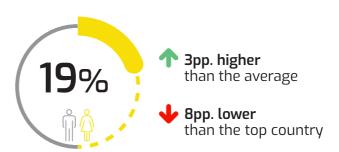
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Norway has the top score in the GDI 2019: 0.68

## Women representation in leadership positions

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS / SUPERVISORY BOARD



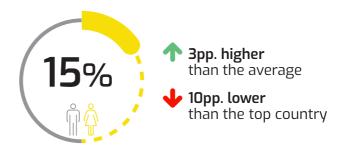
#### **EXECUTIVE LEVEL**



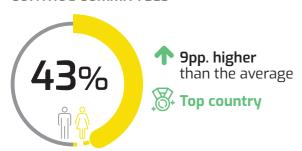
#### CHAIR OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS / SUPERVISORY BOARD



CFO



#### BOARD AND CONTROL COMMITTEES



#### CEO



## France

There are five companies (6%) in France with a GDI score higher than 0.90 and a total of 33 companies (38%) with a GDI score higher than 0.70. Only 19% of the companies in France are below the GDI average score. France also has the company with the highest percentage of women in leadership positions (absolute count) and the company with the highest percentage of women in committees<sup>18</sup>.

COMPANY	RANK	GDI	% women in leadership – absolute count	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in <b>executive</b> level	% women in committees	Chair of Board	Chief Executive Officer
OVERALL AVERAGE		0.53	27	33	16	34		
TOP COMPANY	1	1.04	52	67	57	83		
Kering	2	1.06	52	64	33	73	×	×
Sodexo	3	0.94	42	54	37	77	<b>②</b>	8
Iliad	4	0.91	45	42	30	83	8	8
Accor	5	0.90	45	55	24	68	8	8
Gecina	6	0.90	42	50	45	50	8	<b>⊘</b>

List of all STOX 600 companies in France for which GDI was calculated including overall ranking and country ranking:

OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY	OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
2	1	Kering	49	16	Essilorluxottica
3	2	Sodexo	51	17	Bouygues
4	3	Iliad	54	18	Axa
5	4	Accor	55	19	Eurazeo
6	5	Gecina	63	20	Air France-KLM
9	6	L'oreal	67	21	Rubis
10	7	Suez Environnement	69	22	Edf
22	8	Wendel	<b>7</b> 3	23	Michelin
27	9	Total	74	24	Orange
32	10	Ingenico	77	25	Covivio
34	11	Danone	78	26	Elis
36	12	Altran Technologies	<b>7</b> 9	27	Icade
37	13	Publicis Grp	81	28	Faurecia
38	14	Legrand	82	29	Dassault Systems
48	15	CNP Assurances	89	30	Pernod Ricard

<sup>18</sup> For easier visualisation, the GDI scores are displayed with two digits (from 0.00 to 2.00).
Companies that may appear to have the same GDI score may actually show differences when all digits are taken into account.

OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY	OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
91	31	Cap Gemini	191	59	Thales
93	32	Seb	202	60	Alstom
96	33	Schneider Electric	206	61	Carrefour
106	34	Klepierre	240	62	Eiffage
107	35	Vivendi	248	63	Biomerieux
109	36	Casino Guichard	251	64	Lvmh Moet Hennessy
110	37	Remy Cointreau	274	65	Worldline
111	38	Spie	275	66	Veolia Environnement
112	39	Bureau Veritas	277	67	Credit Agricole
117	40	Natixis	280	68	Edenred
118	41	Hermes International	281	69	Renault
122	42	Sanofi	282	70	Technipfmc
123	43	Saint Gobain	301	71	Amundi
129	44	Arkema	308	72	Dassault Aviation
130	45	Getlink	309	73	Valeo
131	46	Scor	318	74	Safran
135	47	Air Liquide	325	75	Alten
139	48	Lagardere	352	76	Teleperformance
141	49	<b>Eutelsat Communication</b>	353	77	Sartorius Stedim Biotech
152	50	Ubisoft Entertainment	361	78	Orpea
159	51	Grp Societe Generale	385	79	Atos
166	52	Engie	387	80	Airbus
168	53	Bic	397	81	Adp
171	54	Peugeot	418	82	Jcdecaux
174	55	lpsen	420	83	Euronext
178	56	Unibail-Rodamco-Westfield	442	84	Rexel
182	57	Bnp Paribas	454	85	Vinci
185	58	Sopra Steria Group	462	86	Eurofins Scientific

List of STOXX Europe 600 companies in France for which it was not possible to calculate GDI due to the fact that information on certain levels of governance was not publicly available:

COMPANY	% women in <b>leadership</b> – absolute count°	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in <b>executive</b> level	% women in committees*	Chair of Board	Chief Executive Officer
Bollore	47	47	Χ	Χ	×	8
Christian Dior	40	44	Х	17	×	8

<sup>\*</sup> Based on the publicly available data

X - Only partial information available – not calculated

# Sweden ==

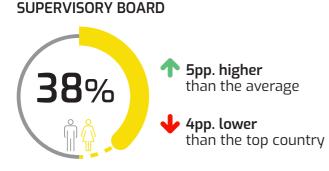
The Gender Diversity Index ranks Sweden third among the 12 European countries included in the STOXX Europe 600 and covered by this analysis, with a score of 0.61. It is 0.08 points higher than the average and only 0.07 lower than the top country<sup>19</sup>.

Sweden is the country with the third highest female representation on the Board of Directors/Supervisory boards and with the second highest percentage of Chairs of the Board. The country also has the second highest percentage of women at executive level and the third highest percentage of women CEOs.

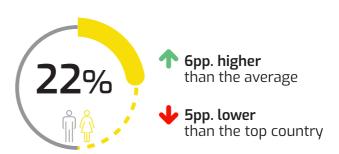
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Norway has the top score in the GDI 2019: 0.68

## Women representation in leadership positions

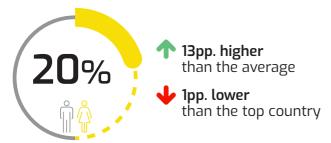
#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS /



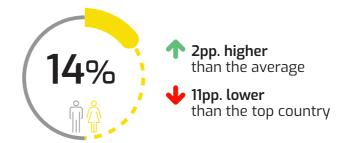
#### **EXECUTIVE LEVEL**



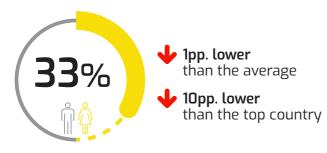
#### CHAIR OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS / SUPERVISORY BOARD



**CFO** 



#### BOARD AND CONTROL COMMITTEES



#### CEO





14% of Sweden's companies have a GDI score higher than 0.80. A total of 77% of the companies in the country have the same or higher GDI than the average. Castellum - the top ranked company overall - is Swedish. It stands out from the top five companies with an Index score of 1.04, more than 10 points above the second ranked company in the country. Sweden also has the company with the highest percentage of women on the Board and the company with the highest percentage of women at executive level<sup>20</sup>.

COMPANY	RANK	GDI	% women in leadership – absolute count	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in <b>executive</b> level	% women in <b>committees</b>	Chair of Board	Chief Executive Officer
OVERALL AVERAGE		0.53	27	33	16	34		
TOP COMPANY	1	1.04	52	67	57	83		
Castellum	1	1.04	50	57	50	56		8
Fabege	15	0.85	40	50	38	50	8	8
Hexpol 'B'	19	0.83	36	57	22	80	8	8
Hennes And Mauritz B	20	0.83	40	67	29	25	×	×
Investor B	28	0.82	40	36	57	25	×	8

List of all STOX 600 companies in Sweden for which GDI was calculated including overall ranking and country ranking:

OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY	OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
1	1	Castellum	120	15	Volvo B
15	2	Fabege	134	16	Loomis B
18	3	Hexpol 'B'	144	17	Electrolux B
19	4	Hennes And Mauritz B	145	18	Lundin Petroleum
20	5	Investor B	146	19	Ica Gruppen
28	6	Swedbank	158	20	Lundbergforetagen B
64	7	Dometic Group Ab	161	21	Husqvarna B
66	8	Svenska Handelsbanken A	162	22	Hexagon B
80	9	Skandinaviska Enskilda Bk A	177	23	Aak
86	10	Essity B	187	24	Assa Abloy
88	11	Skanska B	188	25	Elekta B
92	12	Industrivarden A	210	26	Alfa Laval
94	13	Kinnevik B	228	27	Saab B
116	14	Swedish Orphan Biovitrum	234	28	Getinge B

 $<sup>^{20}</sup>$  For easier visualisation, the GDI scores are displayed with two digits (from 0.00 to 2.00). Companies that may appear to have the same GDI score may actually show differences when all digits are taken into account.

OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
237	29	Telia Company
260	30	Svenska Cellulosa B
263	31	Nordea Bank
271	32	Securitas B
283	33	Tele2 B
285	34	Ericsson Lm B
306	35	Epiroc A
307	36	Sandvik
334	37	Boliden
389	38	Atlas Copco A
398	39	Trelleborg B
443	40	Skf B
453	41	Nibe Industrier B
489	42	Fastighets Balder B
493	43	Swedish Match

List of STOXX Europe 600 companies in Sweden for which it was not possible to calculate GDI due to the fact that information on certain levels of governance was not publicly available:

COMPANY	% women in <b>leadership</b> – absolute count*	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in <b>executive</b> level	% women in committees*	Chair of Board	Chief Executive Officer
Indutrade	33	25	Χ	33		×

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$  Based on the publicly available data

X - Only partial information available – not calculated

# United Kingdom **\*\***

The Gender Diversity Index ranks the United Kingdom in fourth position among the 12 European countries included in the STOXX Europe 600 and covered by this analysis, with a score of 0.56. This score is 0.03 points higher than the average but 0.12 points lower than the top country<sup>21</sup>.

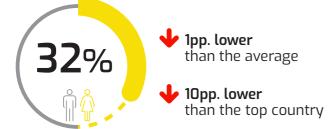
The UK's percentage of women on the Board of Directors/Supervisory Board is 1pp. lower than the average. However, the country has the third highest percentage of women at executive level.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Norway has the top score in the GDI 2019: 0.68

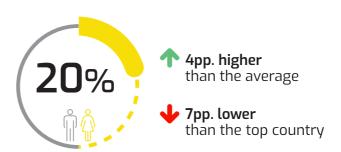
## Women representation in leadership positions

## in teadership pos

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS / SUPERVISORY BOARD



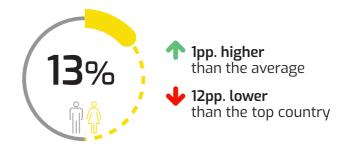
#### **EXECUTIVE LEVEL**



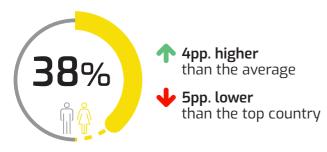
#### CHAIR OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS / SUPERVISORY BOARD



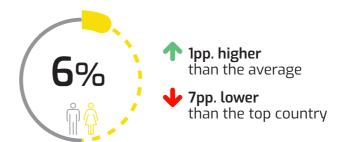
#### CFO



#### BOARD AND CONTROL COMMITTEES



#### CEO



## **United Kingdom**

The UK has eight companies (7%) with a GDI score higher than 0.80 and 58% of companies with an Index score equal or higher than the average. The top company has an Index score of 0.89 but is below average when the percentage of women at executive level is taken into consideration. None of the top companies in the UK have a woman as Chair of the Board or CEO<sup>22</sup>.

COMPANY	RANK	GDI	% women in leadership – absolute count	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in <b>executive</b> level	% women in <b>committees</b>	Chair of Board	Chief Executive Officer
OVERALL AVERAGE		0.53	27	33	16	34		
TOP COMPANY	1	1.04	52	67	57	83		
Easyjet	7	0.89	48	30	50	45	8	×
Bhp Group Plc.	12	0.86	43	36	47	47	8	8
Diageo	13	0.85	39	50	42	47	8	×
Auto Trader Group	16	0.84	39	50	35	54	8	×
Moneysupermarket Com Gp.	17	0.83	38	57	28	60	8	8

List of all STOX 600 companies in the United Kingdom for which GDI was calculated including overall ranking and country ranking:

OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY	OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
7	1	Easyjet	68	17	Smith And Nephew
12	2	Bhp Group Plc.	70	18	Vodafone Group
13	3	Diageo	72	19	Pennon Group
16	4	Auto Trader Group	83	20	Legal And General Group
<u>17</u>	5	Moneysupermarket Com Gp.	84	21	Quilter
21	6	Halma	85	22	British Land Company
24	7	Kingfisher	102	23	Tate And Lyle
30	8	Taylor Wimpey	104	24	Royal Dutch Shell A
39	9	Johnson Matthey	113	25	Pearson
50	10	Glaxosmithkline	115	26	Aviva
56	11	Intercontinental Hotels Group	124	27	United Utilities Group
57	12	Schroders	127	28	ltv
58	13	Astrazeneca	128	29	Rotork
59	14	Severn Trent	132	30	Cybg Plc
62	15	Unilever Plc	137	31	Tesco
65	16	Merlin Entertainments	138	32	Centrica

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> For easier visualisation, the GDI scores are displayed with two digits (from 0.00 to 2.00).
Companies that may appear to have the same GDI score may actually show differences when all digits are taken into account.

OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY	OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
140	33	Derwent London	236	62	Imperial Brands
142	34	Hiscox	242	63	London Stock Exchange
143	35	Micro Focus International	244	64	Smiths Group
150	36	Rentokil Initial	254	65	Carnival
154	37	Rsa Insurance Group	256	66	Group 4 Securicor
157	38	Scottish And Southern Energy	267	67	Berkeley Grp Hldg
163	39	Hikma Pharmaceuticals	270	68	Tritax Big Box Reit
165	40	Sainsbury (J)	278	69	Hays
167	41	Royal Bank Of Scotland Grp	284	70	Aggreko
172	42	Вр	288	71	Bae Systems
175	43	Meggitt	289	72	Sage Group
179	44	Dechra Pharmaceuticals	290	73	Phoenix Group Hdg.
180	45	Direct Line Insurance Group	291	74	Close Brothers Group
181	46	Relx Plc	298	75	Experian
183	47	Land Securities	300	76	Marks And Spencer Group
196	48	Barratt Developments	302	77	Bandm European Value Retail
197	49	Standard Life Aberdeen	303	78	<b>Great Portland Estates</b>
199	50	Electrocomponents	310	79	Hsbc
200	51	Wood Group (John)	312	80	Polymetal International
208	52	Cineworld Group	313	81	British American Tobacco
211	53	Reckitt Benckiser Group	329	82	Nmc Health
215	54	Weir Group	330	83	Coca-Cola Hbc
216	55	National Grid	331	84	Howden Joinery Group
217	56	Tui	332	85	Just Eat
219	57	Intertek Group	344	86	Lloyds Banking Group
222	58	Whitbread	345	87	Intermediate Capital Group
223	59	Croda International	347	88	Britvic
224	60	Beazley	349	89	Tullow Oil
233	61	Informa	351	90	IMI

## United Kingdom

COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
97	3I Group Plc.
98	Dcc
99	Ferguson Plc
100	Travis Perkins
101	Royal Mail
102	Rolls Royce Hldg
103	Aveva Group
104	Inchcape
105	Barclays
91	Mondi
92	Convatec Plc
93	Prudential
94	Standard Chartered
95	Bba Aviation
96	Hammerson
	97 98 99 100 101 102 103 104 105 91 92 93 94 95

OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
432	106	Capita Group
441	107	Morrison (William) Supermark
445	108	Homeserve
448	109	Antofagasta
459	110	Rio Tinto
460	111	Spectris
465	112	Balfour Beatty
475	113	Evraz
477	114	Glencore Plc
479	115	Investec
484	116	Cobham
497	117	Greene King
498	118	St.james's Place Capital
502	119	Ssp Group
503	120	Anglo American

List of STOXX Europe 600 companies in the United Kingdom for which it was not possible to calculate GDI due to the fact that information on certain levels of governance was not publicly available:

COMPANY	% women in leadership – absolute count	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in <b>executive</b> level	% women in committees*	Chair of Board	Chief Executive Officer
Admiral Group	40	40	Χ	46		8
Ashmore Group	33	33	Х	50	×	8
Ashtead Group	38	43	Х	50	×	8
Associated British Foods	30	25	Х	21	×	×
Bellway	20	29	Х	32	×	×
BT Group	39	38	Х	38	×	×
BTG	27	27	Х	14	×	<b>©</b>
Bunzl	25	25	Х	40	×	8
Burberry	50	44	Х	40	×	8
Compass Group	33	42	Х	29	8	8
DS Smith	25	13	Х	36	×	8
Greggs	44	38	Х	69	8	8

<sup>\*</sup> Based on the publicly available data

X - Only partial information available – not calculated

COMPANY	% women in leadership – absolute count	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in <b>executive</b> level	% women in committees	Chair of Board	Chief Executive Officer
GVC Holdings	22	25	Х	43	×	×
Hargreaves Lansdown	44	38	Х	47	n/a	×
IAG	36	33	Х	26	×	×
IG Group Hldg	24	20	Х	19	8	<b>⊘</b>
Inmarsat	33	29	Х	23	8	×
IWG Plc	30	43	Х	44	×	×
JD Sports Fashion	29	29	Х	30	×	×
Jupiter Fund Management	33	33	Х	46		×
Man Group	17	18	Χ	17	×	×
Melrose Industries	33	30	Х	38	×	×
New WH Smith	20	20	Х	50	×	×
Next	50	44	Χ	53	8	×
Ocado	31	31	Х	63	8	8
Persimmon	38	38	Х	46	8	8
Rightmove Group	55	56	Х	50	8	8
Segro	27	27	Х	38	8	8
Spirax-Sarco	27	30	Χ	45	8	8
UDG Healthcare Public	25	30	Х	38	8	8
Unite Group Plc	14	25	Х	26	×	×
Victrex	30	30	Х	71	×	×
WPP	38	42	Х	46	×	×

<sup>\*</sup> Based on the publicly available data

X - Only partial information available - not calculated

# Finland +

The Gender Diversity Index ranks Finland fifth among the 12 European countries included in the STOXX Europe 600 and covered by this analysis, with a score of 0.53. This score is the same as the European average but it is 0.15 points below the best scoring country<sup>23</sup>.

There are 16 companies in the Index for Finland which limits the possibility for a detailed analysis of the situation in the country.

### In the 16 companies ranked in the Index:

- > there are no women Chairs of Boards:
- > there are more men than women at executive level in all of them. In all but two, the number of men at executive level is at least double the number of women:
- > only one company has a woman as CEO and another a woman as CFO.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Norway has the top score in the GDI 2019: 0.68

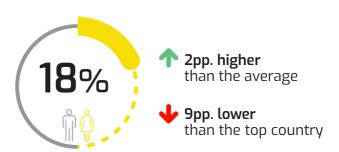
# Women representation in leadership positions

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS /

**SUPERVISORY BOARD** 



### **EXECUTIVE LEVEL**



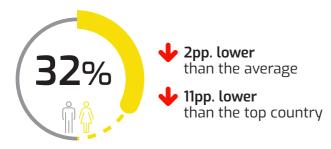
## CHAIR OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS / SUPERVISORY BOARD



CFO



## BOARD AND CONTROL COMMITTEES



### CEO





Only two companies in Finland have an Index score higher than 0.70. Half of the companies in the country are above the GDI average. Only one company has an Index score lower than 0.30.

Only one company from the top 5 in Finland has a woman as CEO. None of the five companies has a woman as Chair of the Board.

The company that ranks first according to the GDI in Finland is Huhtamaki, a company from the Goods & Services sector, which has:

- > 6 women in leadership positions, accounting for 40%;
- > an equal split at Board level (3 men and 3 women)<sup>24</sup>.

COMPANY	RANK	GDI	% women in leadership – absolute count	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in <b>executive</b> level	% women in committees	Chair of Board	Chief Executive Officer
OVERALL AVERAGE		0.53	27	33	16	34		
TOP COMPANY	1	1.04	52	67	57	83		
Huhtamaki	45	0.76	40	50	20	40	8	×
Orion B	76	0.72	38	43	25	36	8	*
Elisa Corporation	114	0.67	29	43	17	67	8	×
Nokian Renkaat	184	0.61	30	25	38	29	8	<b>⊘</b>
Neste	192	0.60	32	38	14	38	8	×

List of all companies in Finland including overall ranking and country ranking:

OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
45	1	Huhtamaki
76	2	Orion B
114	3	Elisa Corporation
184	4	Nokian Renkaat
192	5	Neste
201	6	Valmet
207	7	Stora Enso R
243	8	Fortum

OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
272	9	Wartsila
276	10	Upm Kymmene
319	11	Sampo
326	12	Kesko
388	13	Nokia
444	14	Kone B
471	15	Metso
523	16	Konecranes

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> For easier visualisation, the GDI scores are displayed with two digits (from 0.00 to 2.00).
Companies that may appear to have the same GDI score may actually show differences when all digits are taken into account.



The Gender Diversity Index ranks Belgium sixth among the 12 European countries included in the STOXX Europe 600 and covered by this analysis, with a score of 0.53. This score is the same as the European average but it is 0.15 points below the best scoring country<sup>25</sup>.

There are 16 companies in the Index for Belgium which limits the possibility for a detailed analysis of the situation in the country.

In the 16 companies ranked in the Index:

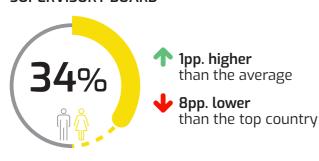
- > two companies have a woman as CEO and one has a woman as CFO.
- > only one company has a woman Chair of the Board.
- > there are six companies with no women at the executive level.

 $<sup>^{25}</sup>$  Norway has the top score in the GDI 2019: 0.68



## **Women representation** in leadership positions

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS / SUPERVISORY BOARD**



### **EXECUTIVE LEVEL**



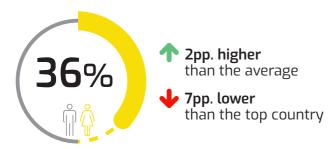
### CHAIR OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS / **SUPERVISORY BOARD**



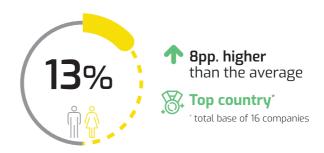
**CFO** 



### **BOARD AND CONTROL COMMITTEES**



**CEO** 



Belgium has one company that stands out from the others with an Index score of 0.86. It is 0.16 points higher than the second ranked company in the country. It ranks 11th in the Index, while the next company ranks 90th. Nine companies (56%) in Belgium have a GDI score lower than the average. The company with the lowest score has a GDI of 0.14.

Of the top five companies, three have fewer women in committees than the average. However, two of the top companies have women as CEOs<sup>26</sup>.

COMPANY	RANK	GDI	% women in leadership – absolute count	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in <b>executive</b> level	% women in committees	Chair of Board	Chief Executive Officer
OVERALL AVERAGE		0.53	27	33	16	34		
TOP COMPANY	1	1.04	52	67	57	83		
Cofinimmo	11	0.86	46	45	33	43	×	×
Proximus	90	0.70	35	50	25	29	8	
Solvay	101	0.69	33	47	22	40	8	<b>⊘</b>
Telenet Grp Hldg	119	0.66	35	30	31	33	×	8
Grp Bruxelles Lambert	133	0.64	33	33	29	30	8	×

List of all companies in Belgium including overall ranking and country ranking:

OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
11	1	Cofinimmo
90	2	Proximus
101	3	Solvay
119	4	Telenet Grp Hldg
133	5	Grp Bruxelles Lambert
221	6	Umicore
264	7	Ucb
287	8	Ets Colruyt

OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
296	9	Galapagos
324	10	Ageas
328	11	Kbc Grp
358	12	Sofina
413	13	Wdp
428	14	Anheuser-Busch Inbev
464	15	Ackermans - Van Haaren
541	16	Argenx

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> For easier visualisation, the GDI scores are displayed with two digits (from 0.00 to 2.00). Companies that may appear to have the same GDI score may actually show differences when all digits are taken into account.



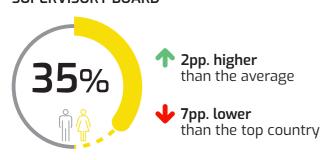
The Gender Diversity Index ranks Italy seventh among the 12 European countries included in the STOXX Europe 600 and covered by this analysis, with a score of 0.53. This score is the same as the European average but it is 0.15 points below the best scoring country<sup>27</sup>.

There is a significant difference between the female representation on Boards and at executive level in Italy. The country has the highest percentage of women chairs of the Board of Directors/Supervisory Board and the second highest percentage of women members of Board and Control committees. However, it has the second lowest average of women at executive level. In addition, there are no women CEOs in any of the 33 companies analysed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Norway has the top score in the GDI 2019: 0.68

# Women representation in leadership positions

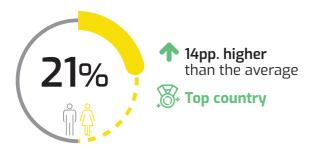
## BOARD OF DIRECTORS / SUPERVISORY BOARD



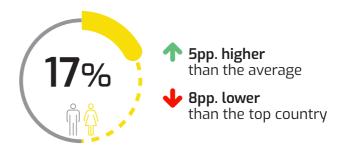
### **EXECUTIVE LEVEL**



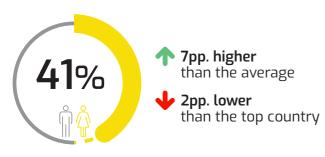
## CHAIR OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS / SUPERVISORY BOARD



**CFO** 



## BOARD AND CONTROL COMMITTEES



CEO





Italy has only one company that has an Index score higher than 0.80. There is a significant gap between the highest ranked company in the country and the fifth best ranked company: from 0.80 to 0.63. Nearly half of the companies in Italy have an Index score lower than the average. Only one company in Italy has an Index score lower than 0.30.

The company that ranks first according to GDI in Italy is Exor NV, a financial services company, that has:

- > 10 women in leadership positions, accounting for 42%;
- > 4 women in layers 2 and 3, accounting for 44%<sup>28</sup>.

COMPANY	RANK	GDI	% women in leadership – absolute count	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in <b>executive</b> level	% women in committees	Chair of Board	Chief Executive Officer
OVERALL AVERAGE		0.53	27	33	16	34		
TOP COMPANY	1	1.04	52	67	57	83		
Exor Nv	29	0.80	42	33	36	50	8	×
Ubi Banca	47	0.76	39	43	25	47		*
Poste Italiane	98	0.69	34	44	22	41	<b>Ø</b>	*
Snam Rete Gas	105	0.68	35	33	27	47	8	*
Mediobanca	155	0.63	35	29	20	43	8	8

List of all STOX 600 companies in Italy for which GDI was calculated including overall ranking and country ranking:

OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY			
29	1	Exor Nv	OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
47	2	Ubi Banca	305	14	Amplifon
98	3	Poste Italiane	322	15	Hera
105	4	Snam Rete Gas	337	16	Terna
155	5	Mediobanca	340	17	Stmicroelectronics
156	6	Atlantia	346	18	Saipem
193	7	Campari Group	380	19	Intesa Sanpaolo
220	8	Leonardo	383	20	Ferrari
230	9	Banco Bpm	386	21	Cnh Industrial
246	10	Enel	391	22	Eni
247	11	Italgas	491	23	Pirelli
255	12	Fineco Bank	495	24	Tenaris
295	13	Unicredit	506	25	Fiat Chrysler Automobiles

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> For easier visualisation, the GDI scores are displayed with two digits (from 0.00 to 2.00). Companies that may appear to have the same GDI score may actually show differences when all digits are taken into account.

List of STOXX Europe 600 companies in Italy for which it was not possible to calculate GDI due to the fact that information on certain levels of governance was not publicly available:

COMPANY	% women in <b>leadership</b> – absolute count <sup>*</sup>	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in <b>executive</b> level	% women in committees*	Chair of Board	Chief Executive Officer
A2A	30	33	Χ	38	×	×
Assicurazioni Generali	35	38	Χ	29	×	×
Diasorin	33	33	Χ	25	×	×
Interpump Group	43	33	Χ	38	×	×
Moncler	35	36	Χ	37	×	×
Prysmian	27	42	Χ	45	×	×
Recordati	46	36	Χ	Not available	×	×
Telecom Italia	40	38	Х	44	×	×

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$  Based on the publicly available data

X - Only partial information available - not calculated

# The Netherlands =

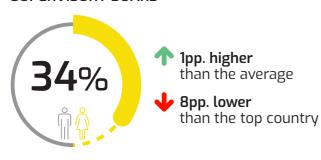
The Gender Diversity Index ranks the Netherlands eighth among the 12 European countries included in the STOXX Europe 600 and covered by this analysis, with a score of 0.49. It has 0.04 points less than the average and 0.19 less than the top country<sup>29</sup>.

The country scores lower than the average in almost all indicators analysed. It shows a difference of more than 15pp. from the top country when considering female representation on the Board and Control committees. In addition, there are no women Chairs of the Board in any of the 24 companies listed in the index.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> Norway has the top score in the GDI 2019: 0.68

# Women representation in leadership positions

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS / SUPERVISORY BOARD



### **EXECUTIVE LEVEL**



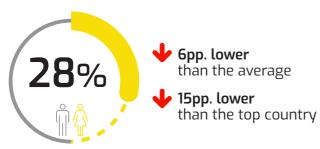
## CHAIR OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS / SUPERVISORY BOARD



CFO



## BOARD AND CONTROL COMMITTEES



**CEO** 



## The Netherlands

All top five companies in the Netherlands have an Index score of at least 0.70. Their positions in the ranking range between 26 to 97. There is not a significant difference between the Index scores among the top five companies. All of them have at least 0.17 points more than the average rank score<sup>30</sup>.

COMPANY	RANK	GDI	% women in leadership – absolute count	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in <b>executive</b> level	% women in committees	Chair of Board	Chief Executive Officer
OVERALL AVERAGE		0.53	27	33	16	34		
TOP COMPANY	1	1.04	52	67	57	83		
Wolters Kluwer	26	0.81	40	43	40	40	8	
Koninklijke DSM	35	0.79	36	44	40	43	8	8
Signify	60	0.74	40	40	29	33	8	8
Unilever NV	61	0.74	36	45	29	38	8	8
Heineken	97	0.70	37	44	25	24	×	8

List of all companies in the Netherlands including overall ranking and country ranking:

OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
26	1	Wolters Kluwer
35	2	Koninklijke Dsm
60	3	Signify
61	4	Unilever Nv
97	5	Heineken
126	6	Philips
231	7	Randstad
245	8	Abn Amro Bank
261	9	Aegon
297	10	Sbm Offshore
315	11	Vopak
317	12	NN Group

OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
320	13	Akzo Nobel
370	14	Asml
371	15	Крп
381	16	Ing Group
404	17	Ahold Delhaize
483	18	Boskalis Westminster
496	19	Asr Nederland Nv
509	20	Takeaway.com
512	21	Imcd
514	22	Asm International
516	23	Aalberts
532	24	Adyen

 $<sup>^{30}</sup>$  For easier visualisation, the GDI scores are displayed with two digits (from 0.00 to 2.00). Companies that may appear to have the same GDI score may actually show differences when all digits are taken into account.

# Denmark :=

The Gender Diversity Index ranks Denmark ninth among the 12 European countries included in the STOXX Europe 600 and covered by this analysis, with a score of 0.49. It has 0.04 points less than the average and 0.19 less than the top country<sup>31</sup>.

The country scores lower than the European average in almost all indicators analysed. It shows a difference of more than 10pp. from the top country when considering female representation on the Board of Directors/Supervisory Board and Board and Control committees.

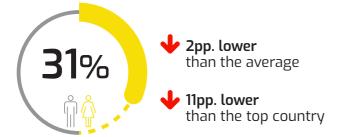
However, when executive level positions are taken into consideration, it is aligned with the average. It is also the country with the second highest percentage of women CFOs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Norway has the top score in the GDI 2019: 0.68



# Women representation in leadership positions

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS / SUPERVISORY BOARD



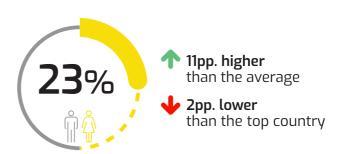
### **EXECUTIVE LEVEL**



## CHAIR OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS / SUPERVISORY BOARD



**CFO** 



## BOARD AND CONTROL COMMITTEES



### CEO



48% of Danish companies have a score higher than the GDI average score. The country also has 4 companies (17%) with a score lower than 0.30 and one company with an average score of 0. None of top five the companies has a woman as CEO or Chair of Board. One of the companies does not have women at executive level, even though it has boards comprising 50% women<sup>32</sup>.

COMPANY	RANK	GDI	% women in leadership – absolute count	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in <b>executive</b> level	% women in <b>committees</b>	Chair of Board	Chief Executive Officer
OVERALL AVERAGE		0.53	27	33	16	34		
TOP COMPANY	1	1.04	52	67	57	83		
Tryg	42	0.77	41	50	25	21	8	8
Genmab	43	0.77	35	33	36	67	8	<b>8</b>
Novozymes	44	0.76	41	40	22	67	×	×
Pandora	99	0.69	40	50	• 0	25	8	×
Orsted	151	0.63	28	33	40	33	8	×

List of all companies in Denmark including overall ranking and country ranking:

OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY			
42	1	Tryg	OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
43	2	Genmab	341	13	CARLSBERG B
44	3	Novozymes	350	14	SIMCORP
99	4	Pandora	364	15	DSV B
151	5	Orsted	412	16	A.P.MOLLER-MAERSK B
173	6	Novo Nordisk B	426	17	COLOPLAST B
186	7	Topdanmark	455	18	H. LUNDBECK
229	8	Chr Hansen Hldg	456	19	JYSKE BANK
241	9	Iss As	500	20	ROCKWOOL B
252	10	Gn Store Nord	522	21	ROYAL UNIBREW
253	11	Vestas Wind Systems	536	22	DEMANT
321	12	Danske Bank	547	23	AMBU 'B'

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> For easier visualisation, the GDI scores are displayed with two digits (from 0.00 to 2.00). Companies that may appear to have the same GDI score may actually show differences when all digits are taken into account.

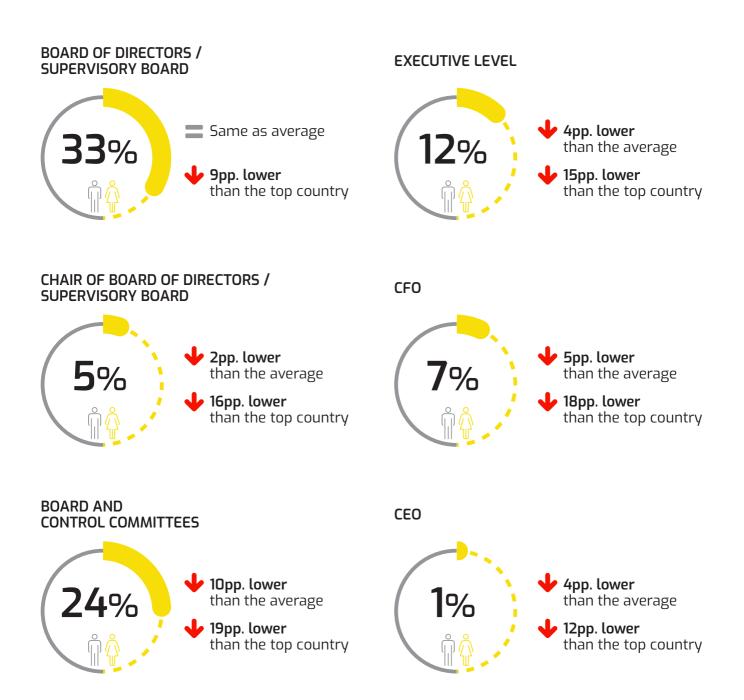
# Germany

The Gender Diversity Index ranks Germany tenth among the 12 European countries included in the STOXX Europe 600 and covered by this analysis, with a score of 0.47. It has 0.06 points less than the average and 0.21 less than the top country<sup>33</sup>.

The country scores lower than the average in almost all indicators analysed. It has the same percentage of women on Board of Directors/Supervisory Board as the average, but it scores 10pp. lower when women on Board and Control committees are taken into consideration and 4pp. lower at executive level. Only 1% of the companies have a woman as CEO.

 $<sup>^{33}</sup>$  Norway has the top score in the GDI 2019: 0.68

# Women representation in leadership positions



## Germany

Germany has only four companies (5%) with a GDI score higher than 0.70. More than half of the companies (64%) are below the GDI average. This includes two companies that have a score of 0. The top company in Germany has only 14% of women at executive level, but a presence of 56% of women on boards<sup>34</sup>.

COMPANY	RANK	GDI	% women in leadership – absolute count	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in <b>executive</b> level	% women in <b>committees</b>	Chair of Board	Chief Executive Officer
OVERALL AVERAGE		0.53	27	33	16	34		
TOP COMPANY	1	1.04	52	67	57	83		
Sap	31	0.79	42	56	14	47	8	×
Wirecard	40	0.78	40	50	25	NA	8	8
Covestro	53	0.75	41	42	25	35	8	*
Evonik Industries	75	0.72	38	40	29	30	8	8
Telefonica Deutschland	103	0.69	34	38	25	47	<b>②</b>	8

List of all STOX 600 companies in Germany for which GDI was calculated including overall ranking and country ranking:

OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY	OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
31	1	Sap	214	17	Puma
40	2	Wirecard	218	18	Siemens
53	3	Covestro	225	19	Thyssenkrupp
<del>7</del> 5	4	Evonik Industries	232	20	Metro Ag
103	5	Telefonica Deutschland	235	21	Axel Springer
147	6	Kion Group	238	22	Prosiebensat.1 Media
148	7	Hannover Rueck	249	23	Heidelbergcement
149	8	Grenke N	259	24	Tag Immobilien Ag
169	9	Muenchener Rueck	266	25	Morphosys
176	10	Lufthansa	268	26	Gea Group
190	11	Vonovia Se	279	27	Basf
203	12	Deutsche Telekom	286	28	Commerzbank
205	13	Merck	292	29	Hochtief
209	14	Deutsche Boerse	294	30	Rwe
212	15	Innogy	299	31	Deutsche Bank
213	16	Osram Licht	314	32	Bmw

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> For easier visualisation, the GDI scores are displayed with two digits (from 0.00 to 2.00). Companies that may appear to have the same GDI score may actually show differences when all digits are taken into account.

OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
333	33	Allianz
342	34	Adidas
355	35	Daimler
357	36	Hella
360	37	Fresenius
365	38	Beiersdorf
369	39	Uniper
372	40	Henkel
374	41	Deutsche Post
375	42	Delivery Hero
376	43	Lanxess
379	44	Qiagen
382	45	Freenet
390	46	Gerresheimer
392	47	Continental
395	48	Volkswagen Pref
396	49	Fraport
400	50	Rheinmetall
402	51	Grand City Properties
410	52	Knorr Bremse
411	53	Fresenius Medical Care
416	54	Symrise

OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
417	55	Scout24
421	56	Evotec
431	57	Zalando
433	58	Fuchs Petrolub Pref
434	59	Mtu Aero Engines
435	60	Linde
436	61	Sartorius Pref.
438	62	Brenntag
446	63	E.on
450	64	Bayer
457	65	Hugo Boss
473	66	Infineon Technologies
482	67	K + S
505	68	Siemens Healthineers
515	69	Leg Immobilien
520	70	Carl Zeiss Meditec
527	71	Aroundtown
534	72	Porsche Pref
540	73	Deutsche Wohnen
545	74	United Internet
546	75	Nemetschek

List of STOXX Europe 600 companies in Germany for which it was not possible to calculate GDI due to the fact that information on certain levels of governance was not publicly available:

COMPANY	% women in <b>leadership</b> – absolute count <sup>*</sup>	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in <b>executive</b> level	% women in committees*	Chair of Board	Chief Executive Officer
Bechtle	<b>1</b> 1	Not available	Χ	14	×	×

<sup>\*</sup> Based on the publicly available data

X - Only partial information available - not calculated

# Spain ...

Spain has the second lowest Gender Diversity Index score among the 12 European countries included in the STOXX Europe 600 and covered by this analysis, with a score of 0.46. This score is 0.07 points below the European average and 0.22 points below the best scoring country<sup>35</sup>.

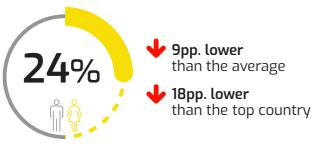
The country scores lower than the average in almost all indicators analysed. Moreover, it shows a difference of more than 10pp. to the top country when considering female representation on the Board of Directors/Supervisory Board and Board and Control committees.

Spain scores as the European average on female representation at executive level. In addition, it has the highest percentage of women CFOs across all the countries and the second highest percentage of women CEOs.

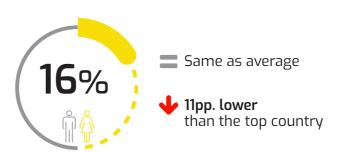
 $<sup>^{35}</sup>$  Norway has the top score in the GDI 2019: 0.68

# Women representation in leadership positions

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS / SUPERVISORY BOARD



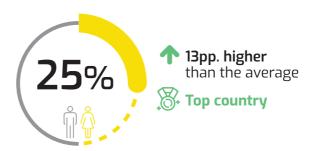
### **EXECUTIVE LEVEL**



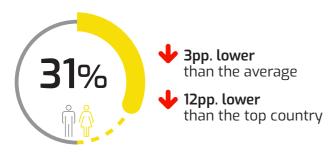
## CHAIR OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS / SUPERVISORY BOARD



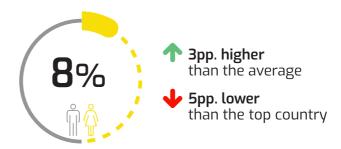
**CFO** 



## BOARD AND CONTROL COMMITTEES



**CEO** 



## Spain

Only 35% of Spain's companies have a GDI score higher than the average. The country has two companies with a GDI score lower than 0.30.

The top company has an Index score of 0.67, only 0.14 above the average. Overall, there is a low presence of women on boards and also at executive level<sup>36</sup>.

COMPANY	RANK	GDI	% women in leadership – absolute count	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in <b>executive</b> level	% women in committees	Chair of Board	Chief Executive Officer
OVERALL AVERAGE		0.53	27	33	16	34		
TOP COMPANY	1	1.04	52	67	57	83		
Bankinter	108	0.67	37	33	25	36	8	
Caixabank	170	0.62	33	38	12	47	×	8
Banco Santander	204	0.59	31	31	22	34	<b>Ø</b>	8
Bolsas Y Mercados Espanoles	226	0.56	31	29	27	17	8	<b>⊘</b>
Repsol	227	0.56	27	33	18	46	8	×

List of all STOX 600 companies in Spain for which GDI was calculated including overall ranking and country ranking:

OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
108	1	Bankinter
170	2	Caixabank
204	3	Banco Santander
226	4	Bolsas Y Mercados Espanoles
227	5	Repsol
239	6	Iberdrola
257	7	Aena Sme
262	8	Industria De Diseno Textil Sa
311	9	Merlin Properties Socimi
316	10	Banco Sabadell
336	11	Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria

COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
12	Amadeus It Group
13	Cellnex Telecom
14	Mapfre
15	Telefonica
16	Enagas
17	Grifols
18	Ferrovial
19	Inmobiliaria Colonial Socimi
20	Viscofan
21	Endesa
22	Bankia
23	Acs
	12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> For easier visualisation, the GDI scores are displayed with two digits (from 0.00 to 2.00). Companies that may appear to have the same GDI score may actually show differences when all digits are taken into account.

List of STOXX Europe 600 companies in Spain for which it was not possible to calculate GDI due to the fact that information on certain levels of governance was not publicly available:

COMPANY	% women in leadership – absolute count*	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in <b>executive</b> level	% women in committees	Chair of Board	Chief Executive Officer
Naturgy Energy Group	5	8	Χ	8	×	8
Red Electrica Corporation	50	63	Х	50	×	8
Siemens Gamesa	<b>1</b> 5	21	Х	25	×	8

<sup>\*</sup> Based on the publicly available data

X - Only partial information available - not calculated

# Switzerland E



The Gender Diversity Index ranks Switzerland last of the 12 European countries included in the STOXX Europe 600 and covered by this analysis, with a score of 0.35. This score is 0.18 points below the European average and 0.33 points below the top country<sup>37</sup>.

Switzerland has the lowest percentage of women on Boards of Directors/Supervisory Boards and Board and Control committees compared with any other country. Even though it comes in last place, it has 8% of women Chairs of Boards, 1pp. higher than the average.

In addition, the country has the lowest percentage of women at executive level and only one woman CEO out of the 50 Swiss companies listed in the ranking.

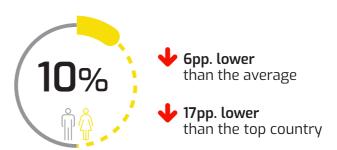
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> Norway has the top score in the GDI 2019: 0.68

## **Women representation** in leadership positions

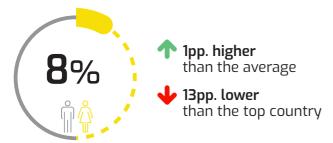
### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS / SUPERVISORY BOARD**



### **EXECUTIVE LEVEL**



### CHAIR OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS / **SUPERVISORY BOARD**



**CFO** 



### **BOARD AND CONTROL COMMITTEES**



### CEO



## Switzerland

Switzerland has only 6% of its companies with a higher GDI score than the average. In addition, 72% of the companies have a GDI score lower than 0.40. A total of 18% of the companies have a GDI score of 0.20 or less.

Even though Credit Suisse Group is one of the top 5 companies in Switzerland, it has an Index score lower than the average. It is also lower than average for the presence of women in leadership positions in general and at board level<sup>38</sup>.

COMPANY	RANK	GDI	% women in leadership – absolute count	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in <b>executive</b> level	% women in committees	Chair of Board	Chief Executive Officer
OVERALL AVERAGE		0.53	27	33	16	34		
TOP COMPANY	1	1.04	52	67	57	83		
Zurich Insurance Group	46	0.76	38	45	27	45	×	8
Novartis	164	0.62	31	38	21	36	8	8
Alcon	198	0.60	31	30	21	42	8	8
Julius Baer Group	265	0.53	28	30	18	32	8	<b>8</b>
Credit Suisse Group	293	0.51	25	25	29	23	8	8

List of all STOX 600 companies in Switzerland for which GDI was calculated including overall ranking and country ranking:

OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY	OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
46	1	Zurich Insurance Group	437	16	Sunrise
164	2	Novartis	439	17	Ams Ag
198	3	Alcon	440	18	Dufry Group
265	4	Julius Baer Group	447	19	Abb
293	5	Credit Suisse Group	451	20	Oc Oerlikon
323	6	Nestle	452	21	Straumann
327	7	Vifor Pharma	458	22	Swisscom
335	8	Adecco	466	23	Temenos
338	9	Flughafen Zurich	467	24	Sonova
354	10	Swatch Bearer	470	25	Swiss Prime Site
378	11	Ubs Group	472	26	Clariant
406	12	Lafargeholcim	474	27	Ems-Chemie Hldg
409	13	Roche Hldg P	476	28	Bb Biotech
414	14	Swiss Reinsurance Company	481	29	Pargesa
427	15	Lonza	485	30	Cembra Money Bank

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> For easier visualisation, the GDI scores are displayed with two digits (from 0.00 to 2.00).
Companies that may appear to have the same GDI score may actually show differences when all digits are taken into account.

OVERALL RANKING	COUNTRY RANKING	COMPANY
486	31	Bucher Industries
487	32	Helvetia Hldg
488	33	Cie Financiere Richemont
492	34	Tecan
494	35	Partners Grp Hldg
504	36	Geberit
507	37	Givaudan
511	38	Vat Group Ag
513	39	Georg Fischer
518	40	Dksh Holding
527	41	Belimo Holding
530	42	Schindler P
531	43	Lindt And Spruengli Reg
533	44	Psp Swiss Property
535	45	Galenica Sante Ag
537	46	Barry Callebaut
538	47	Baloise
539	48	Sika
542	49	Kuehne + Nagel
543	50	Swiss Life Hldg

List of STOXX Europe 600 companies in Switzerland for which it was not possible to calculate GDI due to the fact that information on certain levels of governance was not publicly available:

COMPANY	% women in <b>leadership</b> – absolute count	% women on the <b>board</b>	% women in <b>executive</b> level	% women in committees*	Chair of Board	Chief Executive Officer
Logitech International	25	30	Χ	23		8
SGS	3	10	Х	Х	8	8

<sup>\*</sup> Based on the publicly available data

X - Only partial information available - not calculated

### Annex

# Methodology

### Scope of the report

This 2019 report covers 598 companies listed in the STOXX Europe 600 index. The index covers companies in 17 European countries: the United Kingdom, France, Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Spain and Sweden. Not all countries are equally present in the index. Companies from the UK comprise 26% of the index. French companies account for 15% of the index and German companies for 13%. Other countries have a much smaller share of the index.

The STOXX Europe 600 index covers 600 companies. However, two companies were not included in the analysis because:

- > Heineken was listed twice in the STOXX Europe 600; and
- > Old Mutual has changed location of its operations and is now operating from South Africa.

### Indicators covered

In this report, the following indicators are discussed and these are also made available in the accompanying excel file:

- > absolute share of women in leadership of a company. This indicator removes all duplications that are due to the fact that the same person may hold multiple roles in a company and calculates the share of women on the total. The indicator covers all three layers of decision making, as well as all committees;
- > share of women on Boards. A Board is defined as the top layer of company governance. Often referred to as the Supervisory Board;
- > share of women Chairs of Boards;
- > share of women at executive level. Executive level covers the second layer of governance and, if it exists, also the third layer of governance;

- > share of women in the C-suite. C-suite is defined as all staff members who are referred to as 'Chief XXX Officer' in publicly available documentation about the company;
- > share of women CEOs:
- > share of women CFOs;
- > share of women COOs (where available);
- > share of women in all committees. This covers the share of women in all committees that have been identified through desk research;
- > share of women in Board committees. This indicator combines share of women in nomination committees, remuneration committees and all other committees if they exist;
- > share of **women in Control committees**. This covers audit and compliance committees;
- > share of women in nomination committees;
- > share of women in remuneration committees;
- > share of **women in Chair positions in committees** (for each of the indicators above);
- > Gender **Diversity Index** (see below)

All these indicators are calculated at different levels:

- > per company;
- > per country;
- > per **sector**.

### Cut-off date for the data

The data for this report were collected based on publicly available sources in August 2019.

The data were given to companies for validation or amendment and those companies that wished to do so had until mid-October to provide feedback.

Therefore, the data in the report represent the situation as of October 2019.

## Calculation of the Gender Diversity Index (GDI)

This a composite indicator that is calculated for each company.

### It has four pillars:

- > the **absolute share of women in leadership**. This indicator has a weighting of 50%;
- the share of women on the Board (layer 1 of decision making).
   This indicator has a weighting of 20%;
- the share of women at executive level (layers 2 and 3 of decision making).
   This indicator has a weighting of 20%; and
- > the **share of women in all committees**. This indicator has a weighting of 10%.

GDI is a value that has a range between 0 and 2. The ideal value being 1 which would represent perfect gender equality. Numbers that are above 1 mean there are disproportionately more women than man in the governance of a given company (this is only the case in two companies and only marginally). Numbers below 1 mean that there are disproportionately more men than women involved in the governance of the company.

For easier visualisation, the GDI scores are displayed with two digits (from 0.00 to 2.00). Companies that may appear to have the same GDI score may actually show differences when all digits are taken into account.

### Process of data collection

The process for collecting the data for this report was as follows:

- > Kantar researchers reviewed publicly available information on companies' governance, as available on companies' websites and/or in their annual reports.
- > Kantar developed a database which had the following structure:
- . company name;
- . company sector (as per STOXX Europe 600);
- . country of registration;
- . layer 1 of decision making;
- . layer 2 of decision making;
- . layer 3 of decision making (if available);
- . C-suite;
- . committees.
- > for each company and each of the indicators, the researchers entered into the database:
- . the actual names of people in given roles;
- . their function as per company title;
- . their function according to the categories used for analysis (for example layer 1 or C-suite);
- . their gender;
- . the source of the data.
- > the raw data for this assignment therefore comprise nominal information about all persons in companies' governance as per publicly available sources;
- > data were subsequently verified by Kantar by a) reviewing a random selection of entries and b) by searching for missing data and outliers.

This process was followed by a window during which companies were given the opportunity to validate or amend the data. This was done in the following manner:

- A list of contacts for Public Relations teams from all companies was compiled. These teams were the recipients of information about the research project;
- > Each company received an email with a unique link to a survey. The survey link contained pre-completed information as contained in Kantar's database.
- > Companies could use the link to either click 'validate' (for each entry) or correct the information by mid-October.
- > Respondents were informed of the purpose of the research and were sent multiple reminders. As outlined in the email, the absence of a reply was taken as a confirmation of the validity of the data.

## Calculation of indicators – why are certain companies not included in the index?

Once the window for data validation was closed, Kantar proceeded to data processing and the calculation of all indicators. The calculation of GDI was done only for those companies for which data was available in all four indicators that comprise the index. This means that, in total, 547 companies were included in the overall Gender Diversity Index. For the remaining 51 companies, only partial information was available via public sources and these were therefore not included in the overall index. They were, however, included in the calculation of the other indicators where data were available.

### Sectors

There are 19 sectors listed in the STOXX Europe 600: Health care, Food & Beverage, Technology, Insurance, Industrial Goods & Services, Real Estate, Construction & Materials, Retail, Automobiles & Parts, Personal & Household Goods, Media, Oil & Gas, Basic Resources, Chemicals. Banks, Financial Services, Travel & Leisure, Utilities and Telecommunications.

For some of these sectors, however, the initial number of companies in the dataset was too low to allow a meaningful analysis by sector. Kantar has therefore regrouped the sectors as shown in the table below.

### **Grouping of sectors in the dataset**

SECTOR	SUB-SECTOR	Number of companies in the dataset	Number of companies when aggregated
Tachnalagu	Telecommunications	18	
Technology & Media	Technology	28	66
a media	Media	20	
Construction	Real Estate	29	 51
& Real Estate	Construction & Materials	22	اد
Canarimontian Canda	Retail	30	
Consumption Goods & Retail	Personal & Household Goods 34		87
& Netait	Food & Beverages	23	
Pasis Deserves	Oil & Gas	23	
Basic Resources & Chemicals	Chemicals	24	64
& Chemicats	Basic Resources	17	
Cinemaial C	Insurance	34	
Financial & Insurance Services	Financial Services	28	109
ilisulance selvices	Banks	47	
Industrial Goods	Industrial Goods & Services	103	118
& Services	Automobiles & Parts	15	110
Health Care & Pharma	Health Care	56	56
Other	Utilities	29	47
	Travel & Leisure	18	47

### **Country coverage**

The table below shows the number of companies in the dataset per country.

For five countries, the number of companies in the dataset is too low and therefore a country-specific analysis (Ireland, Luxembourg, Austria, Poland and Portugal) is not provided.

COUNT	TRY .	Number of companies in the dataset
Au	stria	7
Be	lgium	16
De De	nmark	23
+ Fin	ıland	16
Fra	ance	88
Ge	rmany	76
lre	land	9
Ita	ly	33
Lux	xembourg	3
Ne	therlands	24
₩ No	rway	15
Po	land	9
Po	rtugal	4
Sp:	ain	26
Sw	eden eden	44
+ Sw	itzerland	52
Un	ited Kingdom	153



The 2019 Report on equality between women and men in the EU, as published by the European Commission, points to significant gender disparity in the leadership positions across EU.

#### WOMEN IN ECONOMIC DECISION MAKING

Despite some encouraging progress in recent years, the under-representation of women on corporate boards and in management positions remains an important challenge for EU Member States. This under-representation means that the potential of highly skilled and needed human resources remains untapped, as evidenced by the discrepancy between the high number of female graduates and their number in top-level positions. Women still face numerous obstacles on their way to reaching senior positions

## EUROPEAN BOARDROOMS CONTINUE TO BE MALE-DOMINATED AND PROGRESS IN WOMEN'S ECONOMIC LEADERSHIP HAS STALLED SINCE 2015

The proportion of women on the boards of the largest publicly listed companies registered in the EU Member States reached 26.7 % in October 2018. With 44 % of its board members being women, France is the only EU Member State with at least 40 % of each gender at board level. In Italy, Sweden, Finland, and Germany, women account for at least one third of board members. Despite positive and encouraging improvements in cases where governments have introduced quotas for the under-represented gender (women) or taken other targeted measures to make further progress on the matter, European boardrooms continue to be predominantly filled by men. In just under half of Member States, men still outnumber women by at least 4 to 1 (i.e. < 20 % women). In Malta, Greece and Estonia, women account for less than 10 % of board members.

Our activities under Women Empowerment Leadership Program are supported by European Union's Rights, Equality and Citizenship Program under grant agreement No 831592, project WELP\*.



<sup>\*&</sup>quot;The content of this report represents the views of the author only and is his/her sole responsibility. The European commission does not accept any responsibility for use that may be made of the information it contains".

# **EWOB 2019 Gender Diversity Index**





