

Olivier Boutellis-Taft, Chief Executive of the Federation of European Accountants

A former Director of PricewaterhouseCoopers and Member of the Belgian *Institut des Experts-Comptables et des Conseils Fiscaux* (Institute of Certified Accountants and Tax Counsels), Olivier Boutellis-Taft joined FEE in October 2006 as CEO.

Olivier benefits from a diversified professional experience both in a multinational and a small business environment, as well as in the public and not-for-profit sectors, holding management positions for more than 10 years.

He started embarking on a competition career in equestrian sports (jumping), creating his own business at the age of 19. Olivier joined PricewaterhouseCoopers Tax and Legal Services in the Luxembourg finance team in 1996. In 1998, he moved to Brussels to contribute to the development of the global multidisciplinary e-business team of the firm. The same year he received the "PwC Global Innovation Award" for his work on an audit methodology of e-business projects. In 2000, he was appointed to the Board of Directors of the Belgian Firm and developed a new service offering focused on European affairs.

Olivier also serves as an Independent Director of the European Policy Centre, a leading multi-constituency European Affairs think-tank that invited him to join its Governing Board in 2004, further to his election as Chairman of its e-business forum (2000). He remains highly committed to the Centre's mission: "making European integration work".

Prior to joining FEE, he served as Magistrate in the French Judiciary and lectured on EU affairs at the Toulouse Business School, one of the top five business schools in France.

Olivier studied law and economics at La Sorbonne University (Paris) where he obtained a Post-Graduate Degree in business law, a Master in European affairs and a Degree in business administration. He is married with three sons.

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