



SHORT BIO CCD DIRECTOR MARIT HOEL

Dr.philos. Marit Hoel is the founder and CEO of the Center for Corporate Diversity in Norway. The objective of the Center is to present the case for diversity in business and also to insure that the Norwegian business community recognises and utilizes the growing competence of businesswomen in Norway. From 2000 to 2003 the Center presented an annual census of the Women Board Directors and Executive Directors in the top 250 companies in Norway. In 2004 the Center released the first Nordic 500: Women Board Directors and Executive Directors of the top 500 Nordic companies.

CCD has since 2003 been commissioned by The Ministry for Trade and Industry to analyze the development of women board directors in public limited companies in Norway, targeted by the quota law of 2003.

On March 19th 2009 The Center for Corporate Diversity presented the 2008 Nordic 500. This time the 500 study included data on Corporate Ethics in the 500 largest companies in the Nordic countries.

Marit Hoel was previously the Research Director at the Institute for the Studies of Higher Education and a Research Fellow at the Institute for Social Research in Oslo, Norway. In 2000, Marit arranged Norway's first seminar on "Leadership-Equality-Diversity" where she presented her report on the emerging strength and competence of businesswomen in Norway. Marit has also published many articles and several books on the topic of women and work. In 2008 Marit Hoel presents an article ("The Quota Story"), addressing the process behind the quota law on corporate boards in Norway (Vinnicombe & Singh (ed), Elgar Books, London). In November 2008 Marit Hoel received The World of Difference 100 Award at a TIAW Award Gala in Toronto, Canada.

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