



**REGULATORY ANNOUNCEMENT**  
**1 October 2014**

**DIRECTORATE CHANGES**

## Kerry Group Announces Chairman Designate and Board Appointments

The Board of Kerry Group today (1 October 2014) appointed Mr Michael Dowling as Chairman Designate to succeed the present Chairman Mr Denis Buckley who will retire from the Board at year-end. Denis Buckley has served as Chairman for 11 years and has served as a Director since 1986.

Michael Dowling was appointed to the Board in 1998 and chaired the Board Audit Committee from January 2000 until February 2013. He is a former Secretary General of the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine in Ireland. A director of a number of private companies, he is Chairman of the Board of Management of UCC/Teagasc Food Innovation Alliance and a visiting professor, dealing with agri-food policy, in the Department of Food Business at the National University of Ireland, Cork.

The appointment of Michael Dowling as Chairman Designate follows a selection process by the Nomination Committee of the Board, led by Philip Toomey, Senior Independent Director.

Michael Dowling will step down from the Board Audit Committee at year-end and will be succeeded by Dr Hugh Brady (appointed to the Board in February 2014).

The Board also co-opted Dr Karin Dorrepaal as a non-executive Director of the Company. Dr Dorrepaal has held a number of international business leadership roles and currently serves as a member of the Triton Private Equity Industry Board in Frankfurt, Germany. She is a member of the Supervisory Board at Gerresheimer AG (Germany) since 2012. She is also a member of the Supervisory Board at Grontmij NV (the Netherlands) since 2013, Vice Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Paion AG (Germany) since end 2012 and has served as a member of the Supervisory Board of Almirall S.A. (Spain) since 2013. Dr Dorrepaal received her Ph.D from the Free University of Amsterdam, the Netherlands and also holds an MBA from the Erasmus University Rotterdam School of Management.

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