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European Fintech Association elects new Board of Directors

Brussels, 18 June, 2026 — The European FinTech Association (EFA) today announced the election of its new Board of Directors, bringing together senior leaders from across Europe's fintech ecosystem to guide the Association's work over the coming term.

Established in 2019, the EFA serves as a trusted voice for the fintech sector in Brussels, representing more than 30 innovative financial technology companies in engaging with policymakers, regulators and stakeholders on the development of a competitive, innovative and future-focused financial services framework. The Association works across a broad range of policy areas, including payments, open finance, digital assets, financial data access, artificial intelligence and cybersecurity, advocating for a true European digital single market that enables all EU consumers to benefit equally from innovative digital finance solutions.

The election comes at a significant moment for European policymaking. As institutions focus on strengthening competitiveness, fostering innovation and deepening the Single Market, fintech companies continue to play a key role in expanding access to financial services, supporting businesses and consumers, and driving digital transformation across the continent. Going forward, the Board of Directors will consist of:

- Linda Strazdiņa, EU Policy & Government Relations Lead at Wise
- Marc Roberts, General Counsel at Raisin
- Sandrell Sultana, Head of EU Public Policy at Stripe
- Paul Mortby, Head of Policy in the EU, the Middle East and Africa for Block, Inc.
- Sergio Tringali, Head of EU Government Affairs at Revolut
- Laura Schulz, Head of EU Public Affairs at Klarna
- Patrick Häuser, Political Affairs Lead at N26
- Matti Salakari, Head of EU Government Relations at Paypal
- Laura Contin, International Public Policy and Government Relations Lead at Monzo

Representing leading fintech companies operating across the European Union, the new Board reflects the breadth and diversity of a sector that has become an increasingly important contributor to Europe's economy, innovation landscape and financial services ecosystem. Previous EFA Co-Presidents Linda Strazdiņa and Marc Roberts will continue their mandates on the Board of Directors, with Linda Strazdiņa taking on the role of President of the Association and Marc Roberts taking on the role of Treasurer going forward.

Linda Strazdiņa, President of the European Fintech Association, said: "As policymakers look to strengthen Europe's competitiveness and support innovation-led growth, the fintech sector is poised to play an integral part of Europe's financial services landscape, delivering innovation, competition and greater choice for consumers and businesses. Our newly elected Board brings together an exceptional group of leaders whose expertise and experience will help ensure that the perspective of innovative financial services providers is represented in discussions shaping the future of finance in Europe."

Over the coming term, the Board will support EFA's work across a range of policy priorities affecting the sector, including Payments (PSD3/PSR implementation and retail payment strategy), banking competitiveness, AMLR implementation and 28th Regime, as it continues to promote an open, innovative and competitive financial ecosystem across the European Union.

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About the European Fintech Association

The European FinTech Association (EFA) is a not-for-profit organisation representing leading FinTech companies of all sizes from across the EU. Designed by and for Europe's FinTech community, EFA serves as a resource and forum for education, information sharing, and networking between companies, policymakers, and the general public. Our goals are to promote cooperation and dialogue between FinTech companies and institutions, and to advocate and represent the interests of our members in the European Union. For more information about the EFA, visit www.eufintechs.com.

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