

BALTIC INSTITUTE
OF CORPORATE
GOVERNANCE

**POLICY GROUPS** 

# MISSION OF POLICY GROUPS

A Policy Group (PG) of the Baltic Institute of Corporate Governance (BICG) supports the mission of the BICG – to deliver value to its stakeholders by promoting global competitiveness of Baltic companies through development of improved corporate governance standards, which is achieved by proposing initiatives, guidelines and recommendations as well as being highly reactive to any proposals made by other parties in the field of corporate governance and company law.

## PURPOSE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

**First:** continuous proactive and reactive activities towards monitoring and improving legislation and legal acts related to corporate governance matters in Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, including position statements on specific issues.

**Second:** regular revision, improvement and development of new principles, policies, guidelines, recommendations, etc. in corporate governance related areas that could be used by all types of businesses in the Baltics.

### COMPOSITION

Legal environment in each Baltic country is similar, however, historical circumstances, stages of development and local practices remain different. Thus, policy advocacy remains local and **each country is to have a separate, local PG**, comprised out of 3 to 10 local members, including a Chair of the PG.

Work on corporate governance principles, policies, guidelines etc. is to be done in the merged group of members from each country (e.g. 3 from each country). However, draft of corporate governance principles, policies and guidelines can be prepared in any of the policy groups.

#### **ESTABLISHMENT**

All members are encouraged to apply for a position in a PG during the selection process, and the best candidates are appointed by the Board of the BICG. Chairs of all national PGs are elected by the members of PGs.

#### **Tenures**

Tenure of a Policy Group member is three years. Tenure of the Chair of a Policy Group is three years.

#### **Eligibility**

Any individual member (incl. acting Board and/or Nomination Committee members) of BICG or any representative of corporate member of the BICG can apply to become a member of a PG during the selection process. If membership is discontinued for any reason, membership at a PG is discontinued with an immediate effect as well.

### PROCEDURES OF PG

Working closely with the management, a PG is accountable to the Board of the BICG and the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the BICG.

Annual activity plans of PGs are discussed and approved by the Board; the Board also has the competence to assign tasks to PGs.

The Board has the competence to assign tasks to Policy Groups. Reports on activities of a Policy Group are presented at Board meetings by the Chair or authorised person of a Policy Group.

Members of a PG are engaged on a pro bono basis.

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