



Albrecht (Bert) De Graeve

Bert De Graeve is Chairman of the Bekaert Group since May 2014.

He started his career in 1980 with Arthur Andersen & Co and joined Alcatel Bell in 1982. In 1991 he became General Manager Shanghai Bell Telephone Equipment Mfg. Co in Shanghai. In 1994 he was appointed Vice President, Director Operations, Alcatel Trade International and later Director International Affairs, Alcatel Alstom in Paris.

In 1996 he became Managing Director of the Flemish Public Radio & TV Broadcaster (VRT) and joined Bekaert in 2002 as CFO, to become CEO from 2006 until 2014.

Bert De Graeve holds a Master in Law from the University of Ghent (1980), studied Financial Management at IPO (Antwerp) and became Master in Tax Management at VLEKHO (Brussels).

Bert De Graeve is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of Telenet NV and Sibelco NV, Independent Director of UCB, Member of the International Business Leaders' Advisory Council for the Mayor of Shanghai (IBLAC) and Member of the Board of the Concours Reine Elisabeth.