

## Valoris Stewardship Catalysts Welcomes Davit Karapetyan as Managing Director

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<u>Valoris Stewardship Catalysts</u> announced today that Davit Karapetyan has joined the firm as Managing Director, based in Washington, DC.

Davit joins Valoris after a distinguished career at International Finance Corporation (IFC), the private sector arm of the World Bank Group. For over twenty years, he played a leading role in developing and implementing IFC's corporate governance and sustainability agenda in both investment operations and advisory services, most recently as Senior Corporate Governance Specialist and Regional Lead for corporate governance operations in Latin America.

"We are thrilled to welcome Davit to our firm," said Vienna-based Valoris Managing Director, Martin Steindl. "Davit's extensive experience with the governance of environmental and social risks and opportunities from an investor perspective makes him an especially valued asset for our team and an invaluable resource for our clients."

"Davit brings to our firm more than two decades of international experience in corporate governance, investor stewardship and sustainability, the core elements of the services Valoris provides our clients," added Mike Lubrano, Valoris Managing Director based in Washington, DC. "He has worked with dozens of investors and literally hundreds of investee companies throughout the world to tackle ESG challenges in their operations."

"Davit's work in Eastern Europe and Latin America over the years is especially recognized and respected," said Valoris Managing Director Mariangeles Camargo. "Valoris's client base is global. Our clients need the regional and country-specific expertise that only professionals like Davit, who have worked directly with local investors, companies, regulators and other stakeholders, can provide."

"Valoris is a firm that is doing the right things for the right clients at the right time," said Davit. "For ESG to transition from 'a good thing to do' to becoming an indispensable element of investment operations that captures value, ultimate responsibility for identification and management of ESG risks and opportunities must be elevated from the technical level to senior management and the Board. I am looking forward to contributing my knowledge and talents to



help Valoris's clients design and implement the solutions they need to face today's and tomorrow's challenges."

As IFC's Regional Lead for corporate governance operations in Latin America and the Caribbean, Davit conducted due diligence as part of the investment team in more than 100 debt, equity and private equity fund investments throughout the region (as well as in Eastern Europe, Middle East, North Africa, Sub-Saharan Africa and Asia). Davit also supported investment teams in numerous other transactions, guiding and advising investment analysts and decision-makers. Altogether, these direct and supported transactions had a total investment value exceeding USD 5 billion. A significant number of clients that Davit advised includes financial institutions – banks, microfinance institutions, insurance companies, pension fund managers and private equity funds. He also led the project that produced the IFC's groundbreaking 2018 research report, "Governance and Performance in Emerging Markets".

Davit earned his Diploma with Honors in Law from the prestigious Yerevan State University in Armenia in 1995 and defended his Ph. D in Law from the same university in 1999.

In addition to his native Armenian, Davit is fluent in English and Russian.

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