



## Marieke van Berkel

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Marieke van Berkel has been working in the banking industry for more than 20 years. Starting in European Affairs for Rabobank Netherlands in 1998 with a focus on SME lending and Sustainable Finance, she was seconded to the European Association of Co-operative Banks in 2001 to work as an adviser in payment systems. Gaining more responsibilities, her knowledge expanded into other areas of banking including Financial Markets, Anti-Money Laundering, Lending and Borrowing, Consumer Protection and Digitalisation. She became EACB employee in 2016, holds the position of Senior Director, is member of the EACB Management Team and leads the EACB Department on Retail Banking, Digitalisation, Payments and Financial Markets.

Marieke has built up in depth knowledge of and an extensive network of contacts in Europe's cooperative banking sector. Her knowledge of the sector ranges from information about individual cooperative banks and their respective governance to the legal framework applicable to their business operations. When it comes to the legislative and supervisory framework, her recent focus has been on initiatives such as AML package, AI Act, DORA, FIDA, PSR/PSD, CCD, DMFSD, MCD, Green mortgages, Digital euro, Retail Investment Strategy, MIFID/MIFIR, EMIR. Marieke is on the Board of the European Payments Council.

Before working in the banking industry Marieke worked from 1995 to 1998 as a senior consultant for Ernst & Young and before that as a project officer in the European Commission managing a Euro 40 mln. technical assistance fund for the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

Marieke holds a Master's degree in Business Economics/Management Information Systems and an additional Degree in European Studies.