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A Board Director and a member of the Management Control committee of Intesa Sanpaolo since 2020.

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At Ernst & Young International Ltd in New York, from 1992 to 1995 he focused on audit methodology and international accounting principles. From 1995 to 2018, he worked as an Audit Partner, responsible for the audit of multinational companies operating in a variety of industrial and commercial sectors, and listed on Italian and U.S. stock exchanges. He has been a member of the Working Group of the Italian Accountancy Profession that drafted the Italian Standard on auditor independence (*Principio sull'indipendenza del revisore*). Independence Leader for Ernst & Young in EMEIA (Europe, Middle East, India and Africa) and Asia-Pacific/Japan (2008-2018). As a member of IESBA (International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants), he contributed to defining ethics standards and auditor independence requirements for the accountancy profession worldwide (2008-2013). In his professional activities, he has served as a member of the board of statutory auditors in many companies and gained extensive experience dealing with regulators and IGOs (Consob, US SEC, UE, OCSE).

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