

PRESS RELEASE



HOLBORN GATE, 26 SOUTHAMPTON BUILDINGS
LONDON WC2A 1PB, UK

TEL +44 (0)20 7831 3113
FAX +44 (0)20 7831 7961

17th October 2006

FD and leading Netherlands communications consultancy sign joint venture

Financial Dynamics (FD), one of the world's leading business communications consultancies, today announced the signing of a joint venture partnership with leading Netherlands strategic communications consultancy, Boer & Croon Corporate Communication. This latest joint venture is the second that FD has established in Europe – the first being with Hallvarsson & Halvarsson in Scandinavia – and complements FD's six European offices.

Boer & Croon Corporate Communication is the 15 strong communications operating company of the Boer & Croon Strategy and Management Group – the Netherlands' leading independent management consultancy practice.

FD and Boer and Croon Corporate Communication have enjoyed a long standing relationship, sharing numerous common client assignments in recent years.

Commenting on the announcement, FD Group CEO Charles Watson said: *"I am delighted to welcome our old friends at Boer & Croon to FD's global network and we look forward to working even more closely with their highly regarded team. The Netherlands is a particularly important market for FD. We advise a number of major Dutch companies internationally and our international client base is frequently requiring access to high level communications counsel in the Dutch market itself."*

Boer & Croon partners Peter Jurgens and Peter Stroink added: *"We have the highest regard for the team at FD and our extensive experience of working together in recent years has proved that we share similar values, culture and standards of client counsel and service. We are all extremely excited in developing this existing relationship with FD further. The alliance will strongly boost our international resources as well as our capabilities in the area of investor relations and financial communications"*

Enquiries:

Charles Palmer	+44 (0)20 7831 3113
Peter Jurgens	+31 (0)20 301 4020

Notes to Editors:

Financial Dynamics is one of the world's largest strategic business and financial communications consultancies providing a comprehensive range of solutions for the communications requirements of today's corporate boardroom. With a 20 year history of advising clients in both the private and public sectors, services include financial public relations, investor relations, public affairs, crisis & issues management and corporate, business-to-business & business-to-consumer communications. Financial Dynamics is structured around specialist sector teams operating on an international basis, covering consumer industries, financial services, basic industries, business services, life sciences & healthcare, real estate, media, technology and telecommunications. Financial Dynamics is also a market leader in M&A advisory work.

PRESS RELEASE



HOLBORN GATE, 26 SOUTHAMPTON BUILDINGS
LONDON WC2A 1PB, UK

TEL +44 (0)20 7831 3113
FAX +44 (0)20 7831 7961

The Group employs over 450 professional staff and advises more than 750 clients worldwide through its offices in London, New York, Bahrain, Boston, Cape Town, Chicago, Dubai, Dublin, Frankfurt, Hong Kong, Johannesburg, Manchester, Moscow, Paris, San Francisco and Washington.

In October 2006 Financial Dynamics became part of FTI Consulting, a premier provider of problem-solving consulting and technology services to major corporations, financial institutions and law firms. FTI Consulting is listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

<http://www.fd.com>

Boer & Croon Corporate Communication is a strategic communication consultancy. It positions companies and their top management to improve their market and financial performance. Counsel and services are provided in the areas of corporate branding, reputation management, issues management, change communication and the organization of communication. Its convincing client list reflects its unique position in the Netherlands market.

Boer & Croon Corporate Communication is part of Boer & Croon Strategy and Management Group, the Netherlands leading independent strategy, consultancy, executive interim management and corporate finance practice. The Amsterdam based Group was founded in 1973 and employs over 300 professional staff.

<http://www.boercroon.com>