

Press release

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INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL ADVISOR HAS JOINED 4iG'S ADVISORY BOARD

William Wells, former Executive Vice Chairman and Managing Director in Central & South-Eastern

Europe of global financial advisory firm Rothschild & Co, joins 4iG advisors.

4iG Group's Advisory Board has been joined by a mergers expert with outstanding experience in Central & South-Eastern Europe and broader emerging markets. William Wells, former Executive Vice-Chairman and Managing Director and current Senior Advisor of Rothschild & Co, is 4iG's newest advisory member. With decades of experience in investment banking, Mr. Wells will be instrumental in supporting 4iG Group's further regional expansion plans.

William Wells has over 35 years of investment banking experience. He has worked extensively in Central and South-Eastern Europe since 1990. He has spent the last 18 years at Rothschild & Co. as Managing Director and Executive Vice Chairman, overseeing its investment banking activities in Central and South-Eastern Europe, and now is a senior advisor at Rothschild & Co. He has had a particular focus on transport and communications infrastructure. He has longstanding experience in M&A, financing, and capital markets across the region.

He sits on the investment committee of two mid-cap regional infrastructure funds. He is also studying at the War Studies Department at King's College London, with a particular emphasis on war finance and post-war recovery finance. Mr. Wells read Modern History at Christ Church, Oxford and has an MBA from the London Business School. Furthermore, he attended the Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst, serving in the British Army for six years in the UK and internationally. He joined the Advisory Board at the request of Gellért Jászai, Chairman of 4iG Plc.

In 2021, 4iG Plc established an Advisory Board to support the work of the Group's Board of Directors with the involvement of national and international experts. In addition to their personal recognition, the members of the Advisory Board support the Group's activities with their decades of experience and extensive network of contacts. The Advisory Board, which now has seven members and is chaired by Dr. Borbála Czakó and co-chaired by Karen Tramontano, has grown in recent years to include such distinguished members such as Professor Dr. János Martonyi, former Foreign Minister, Csaba Lantos, businessman and current Energy Minister, Armin Papperger, CEO of Rheinmetall, and Sunil Sabharwal, businessman and former US Board Member of the International Monetary Fund.

The Advisory Board supports 4iG's regional growth strategy, by expanding its international presence. The Group has established strategic positions in the IT and telecommunications sectors in Hungary and the Western Balkans. Through recent acquisitions, 4iG Group has become the second-largest telecom operator in Hungary and the leading telecom operator in Albania and Montenegro. With 8,000 employees, 4iG's shares are traded in the premium segment of the Budapest Stock Exchange. 4iG's development is also seen through the exposure of business and operational synergies and the implementation of a comprehensive transformation program to increase competitiveness.



Background:

4iG Group

4iG Plc, a majority-owned Hungarian company based in Budapest, Hungary, is the leading telecommunications and IT group in Hungary and the Western Balkans, and one of the leading companies in the knowledge-based, digital economy. Listed on the Budapest Stock Exchange, the Group's fresh and innovative approach and its position as Hungary's leading IT systems integrator make it a leading business services provider in the region's digital transformation. 4iG's dynamic expansion strategy has made it a dominant player in the Hungarian and Western Balkan telecommunications markets. The Group is continuously expanding its services, expertise and portfolio to meet the changing needs and demands of the telecommunications and IT markets. The 4iG Group employs over 8,000 people. www.4iG.hu

William Wells

Education

1970-75	Ampleforth College, Yorkshire
1976-79	Christ Church, Oxford. MA in Modern History
1979-80	RMA Sandhurst
1985-87	London Business School, MBA
2022-24	King's College, London, MA in War Studies (part-time)
2024-	King's College London, War Studies Department, Doctoral thesis on war finance

Professional path

1987-1998	Schroders, Director Corporate Finance Central & Eastern Europe ("CSEE")
1998-2002	JP Morgan Chase, Managing Director and Head of CSEE
2002-2006	Bank of America, Managing Director and Head of European Emerging Markets
2006-2022	Rothschild & Co., Managing Director and Executive Vice-Chairman, Head of CSEE
2022-	Rothschild & Co., Senior Adviser

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