

Nasdaq and Center for Board Excellence Announce Partnership

Nasdaq Corporate Solutions, a subsidiary of Nasdaq, Inc., has announced a new partnership with The Center for Board Excellence (CBE), a provider of board assessments and compliance questionnaires.

In the first phase of the partnership, Nasdaq Corporate Solutions will facilitate introductions for users of Directors Desk and Boardvantage – Nasdaq’s board portal and meeting management solutions – to CBE’s cloud-based corporate governance solutions including: board and committee assessments; director peer assessments; CEO and management evaluations; and directors’ & officers’ questionnaires. Later this year, the parties plan to offer an integrated workflow between Nasdaq’s board portal solutions and CBE’s EnGauge™ platform, making it even easier for users to elect to benefit from these CBE offerings.

“Through our new relationship with CBE, the thousands of CEOs, corporate secretaries, general counsels, directors, and board chairs in over 70 countries who rely on Nasdaq Corporate Solutions will gain access to industry-leading corporate governance resources,” said Stacie Swanstrom, Executive Vice President and Head of Nasdaq Corporate Solutions. “We are excited about the prospect of offering our clients a solution that will be designed to streamline the assessment and questionnaire processes for faster, more efficient, and more effective results.”

Since its acquisition of Boardvantage in May 2016, the Nasdaq Corporate Solutions business of Nasdaq, Inc. has invested in enhancements to both the Directors Desk and Boardvantage

portals to support better workflows in response to client feedback, the company said in a news release. "This new feature is a continuation of Nasdaq's commitment to improving our users' experience by offering solutions that have the potential to impact their productivity both in the boardroom and beyond," added Matthew Healy, Vice President and Head of Governance at Nasdaq Corporate Solutions.

"CBE is proud to work with Nasdaq Corporate Solutions to deliver solutions for corporate governance excellence on a global scale. Forward-thinking leaders and investors use our metrics and innovative tools to reduce risk and streamline governance," said Byron Loflin, CEO of CBE.

The news release continues:

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About the Center for Board Excellence:

Founded in 2010, the Center for Board Excellence has built the leading platform for board and CEO assessments, plus other governance compliance tasks. CBE's team of developers, leaders, and attorneys innovate to streamline laborious, costly and previously paper-based processes through its proprietary EnGauge™ cloud-based platform. CBE's solutions create efficiencies that save directors, in-house counsel

and governance professionals substantial time, effort, and money, helping drive strategy and improve the total quality of compliance and governance. For more information, please visit the company's website at www.boardevaluations.com.