

## Founder Bio

### Marianne Macdonald

#### Non-executive Directorships Consulting Ltd

Non-executive Directorships Consulting was founded by Marianne Macdonald in 2016. She had previously spent seven years in the non executive practice of The Zygos Partnership which, prior to its 2018 sale to Russell Reynolds, was one of the UK's leading board search firms in the non-executive space. It placed 60 – 90 non-executives and chairs per annum onto the larger listed and private boards, including many in the FTSE 350.

Marianne's non executive search experience spanned all sectors, including financial services, professional services, FMCG, aerospace and defence, industrial, retail and utilities, and boards ranging in scale from FTSE100 to FTSE small cap, including family businesses, mutuals and markets. She met many of the active UK NED population in this role.

Before joining The Zygos Partnership in 2010, Marianne had a distinguished career as a broadsheet journalist and latterly spent 10 years interviewing international leaders within the arts, media, politics and sports sectors for UK broadsheet newspapers and magazines including the Times, Telegraph, Observer, Guardian and Independent.

She has a First in English from New College, Oxford, a Diploma in Journalism from City University, and was a Guardian Student Journalist of the Year.

Alongside Non-executive Directorships Consulting, Marianne is an Ambassador for Nurole, and has been a Board Advisor for the MBS Group and career advisor for BCKR, the organisation which works to help senior lawyers create a portfolio. She has relationships with a very wide range of search firms, mentoring companies, non-executive development organisations, PE firms and board players.



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