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APPT appoints D&I sub-committee chair



7 June 2022: Ross Trustees trustee director Manpreet Sohal (*left*) has been appointed as chair of the Association of Professional Pension Trustees' (APPT) D&I sub-committee.

The aim of the committee is to increase awareness and the importance of diverse representation among the APPT membership and to provide them with knowledge to ensure that the best decisions are taken in the interest of scheme members.

It will aim to accomplish these goals by ensuring that decision making will be driven by a diverse range of inputs and to persuade trustee boards to follow inclusive processes.

Sohal will take a leading role as the committee aims to promote diversity and inclusion on trustee boards, which will include organising training and education for members, as well as introducing principle driven guidance.

She has been an active member of the Ross Trustees' diversity and inclusion efforts, and currently serves as the leader of its diversity and inclusion working group.

Sohal said: "I am delighted the committee has entrusted me with heading up the APPT's ongoing mission to influence positive change in the pensions industry.

"As a key component for sustainable growth for schemes, diversity and inclusion is a matter that remains at the forefront for investors, regulators, and other stakeholders. I am excited about the opportunities this role will provide to help professional trustees create inclusive and diverse cultures, which will in turn boost innovation, collaboration, and member engagement."

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Notes to editors:

The Association for Professional Pension Trustees (APPT) is the industry body for professional trustees of occupational pension schemes, working to encourage best practice within the sector and promote the interests of its members.

It is the main recognised accreditation body for professional trustees, responsible for promoting and maintaining high standards amongst practitioners.

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