Biography

Douglas Flint

Group Chairman, HSBC Holdings plc

Douglas Flint has been Group Chairman of HSBC Holdings plc since December 2010. He joined HSBC as Group Finance Director in 1995 and served as Chief Financial Officer, Executive Director, Risk and Regulation from February 2010 to December 2010.

Mr Flint previously worked in the accountancy profession, joining HSBC from KPMG. He has extensive knowledge of financial and regulatory matters.

He began his career with Peat Marwick Mitchell & Co (now KPMG) where he trained as a chartered accountant. He was appointed a partner of the firm in 1988. He specialised in banking, multinational financial reporting, treasury and securities trading operations, group re-organisations and litigation support.

Mr Flint was born in Scotland and educated at Glasgow University where he gained a BAcc (Hons) degree in Accountancy. He also completed the Program for Management Development (PMD) course at Harvard Business School in 1983. He is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland and the Association of Corporate Treasurers. He is a Fellow of The Chartered Institute of Management Accountants and Chairman of the Institute of International Finance.

In June 2006 he was honoured with a CBE (Commander of the Order of the British Empire) by Her Majesty the Queen in recognition of his services to the finance industry.

Mr Flint was Chairman of the Financial Reporting Council's review of the Turnbull Guidance on Internal Control from 2004-2005 and served on the Accounting Standards Board and the Advisory Council of the International Accounting Standards Board from 2001-2004. He also served on the Shipley Working Group on Public Disclosure and co-chaired the Group of Thirty report on 'Enhancing Public Confidence in Financial Reporting', and the 2008 Report of the CRMPG III, 'Containing Systemic Risk: The Road to Reform'.

Mr Flint is married with three children.

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