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# Sibelga group structure

# 1. A 3-level structure

- Interfin: intermunicipal company operating as a holding company.
- **Sibelga**: intermunicipal company acting as the gas and electricity distribution system operator in the Brussels-Capital Region and owner of these networks.
- **BNO** (Brussels Network Operations): cooperative society (under private law) which employs all the personnel working in the Sibelga group.

The Sibelga group works in accordance with the principle of specialisation that applies to intermunicipal companies. Its activities focus on the management of electricity and gas networks, related public service missions and energy services for public authorities.

See figure 1.

# 2. Interfin's role as a holding company

Interfin is mainly responsible for:

- holding the municipalities' share in Sibelga,
- holding the Brussels shares in the federal electricity and gas transmission companies Elia and Fluxys, directly or via the holding companies Publi-T and Publigaz, which represent the municipal interests of the three Regions,
- smoothing the dividends allocated to the municipalities based on the financial result achieved in the investee companies and contributing to the efficient financial management of the group.

See figure 2.

# FIGURE 1 SIBELGA'S OPERATIONAL SCOPE – INTERFIN



(1) 6 other shareholders (network operators from the other 2 regions). This company was set up to create and manage an IT platform for the exchange of market data connecting DSOs, suppliers and TSOs and to establish, in collaboration with the suppliers and under the supervision of the regional regulators, successive versions of the market data management code (Message Implementation Guide).

# 3. Sibelga's role as network operator

Sibelga's activity is limited to distribution network operator in the Brussels-Capital Region. This mission also includes public service missions imposed by Ordinance, such as the management of municipal street lighting.

These activities are regulated by the regulator Brugel within a framework set by Ordinance. The regulation covers tariffs, service quality and the compatibility of structures and behaviours with the proper functioning of the market.

Sibelga is a shareholder in the Atrias market data exchange platform, set up as a cooperative society with all the other Belgian distribution network operators.

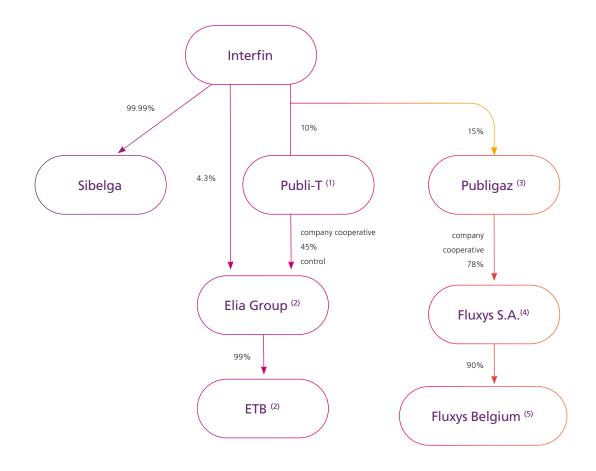
### 4. BNO's role as an employer of the group's personnel

When Sibelga took over most of Electrabel's operational network management activities in 2006, it also took over Electrabel's personnel, i.e. around 700 people, under the contractual continuity scheme of CLA 32bis. Indeed, it seemed neither possible nor desirable to amend the employment conditions of the sector's personnel under Joint Committee no. 326. Under this measure, the personnel's employer had to be a private company.

This situation is not only justified by the 2006 agreement with Electrabel, but is also proving to be an effective solution for maintaining the industrial nature of Sibelga's management and attracting the necessary skills.

For this reason, BNO now employs the group's entire personnel, i.e.  $\pm$  1,170 people, all under employment contracts.

# FIGURE 2 INTERFIN SHAREHOLDINGS (POSITION AT 31/12/2024)



- (1) : 3 directors appointed upon presentation by Interfin
- (2) : 1 director from Interfin
- (3) : 4 directors appointed upon presentation by Interfin
- (4) : 1 director from Interfin
- (5) : 2 directors from Interfin

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# 5. Group governance

In order to ensure consistency in the management of the group and effective control, a number of structural measures have been taken within the framework of the articles of association of these companies or decisions of the Board of Directors:

- The same directors (28) sit on the Board of Directors of Interfin and Sibelga.
- The same 7 directors (chosen from among the 28) make up the Sibelga Steering Committee, the Interfin Bureau and the BNO Board of Directors.
- Sibelga's Steering Committee has set up an Audit Committee.
- The Board of Directors of BNO has set up an Appointments and Remuneration Committee.
- Only the mandates of directors in Sibelga and Interfin and of members of the Sibelga Steering Committee and the Interfin Bureau give rise to remuneration.
- The amount of the remuneration is notified to the regional authorities annually, individually and by name.

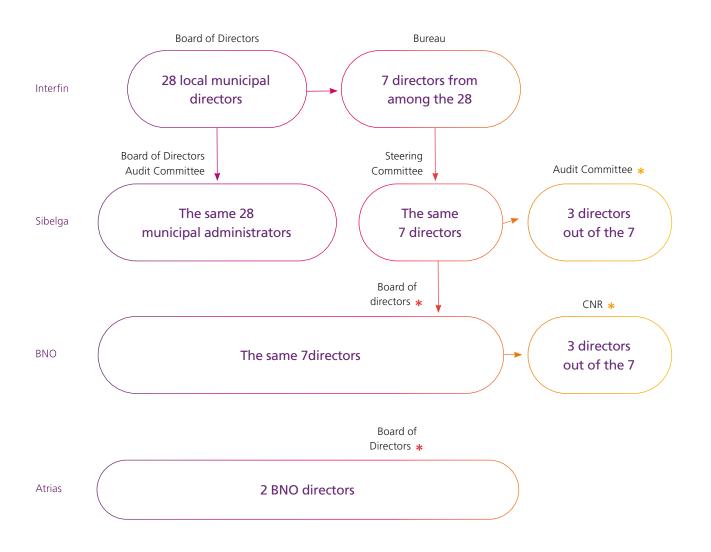
See figure 3.

# 6. Conclusion

The existence of a three-level structure within the Sibelga group is justified by the need to separate the group's transmission and distribution activities, maintain the intermunicipal status of Interfin and Sibelga in accordance with the political will and retain the system of collective labour relations and employment contracts applicable to personnel through a private company.

Directorships performed simultaneously by the same individuals at all three levels of the group ensures consistent management of the group and efficient control.

# FIGURE 3 THE SIBELGA – INTERFIN GOVERNING BODIES



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# Governance of Interfin

# 1. Governance structure

Interfin is governed by two bodies: a Board of Directors whose composition reflects the shareholder base and a Bureau with broad powers composed of a limited number of directors.

# 1.1 General assemblies

The Ordinary General Assembly meets every year on the second or third Tuesday of June.

In addition, the Board of Directors and the Statutory Auditor may convene an Extraordinary General Assembly at any time.

In 2024, the Ordinary General Assembly met on 18 June 2024.

Interfin's assets are the result of successive regroupings and transfers of activities of the former intermunicipal companies in 2003 and 2005. Since 2021 and following the Extraordinary General Assembly of 16 June 2020, the old shares have been replaced by 10,000 new shares distributed as follows:

Anderlecht Auderghem	991
Auderghem	
	281
rchem-Sainte-Agathe	208
Brussels	1,504
Etterbeek	400
Evere	346
Forest	466
Ganshoren	206
Ixelles	719
Jette	435
Koekelberg	182
lolenbeek-Saint-Jean	806
Saint-Gilles	416
aint-Josse-ten-Noode	227
Schaerbeek	1,103
Uccle	687
Watermael-Boitsfort	208
oluwé-Saint-Lambert	469
Voluwé-Saint-Pierre	346
	Etterbeek Evere Forest Ganshoren Ixelles Jette Koekelberg koekelberg lolenbeek-Saint-Jean Saint-Gilles aint-Josse-ten-Noode Schaerbeek

The Intermunicipal company is divided into four accounting sectors in accordance with the articles of association. The profit to be distributed within each sector is divided among the municipalities associated with that sector in proportion to the turnover from network tariffs achieved in the territory of each municipality, calculated on the average of the previous three years.

The representatives of the municipalities must be appointed to the General Assembly from among the municipal councillors, the mayor and the aldermen of the municipality.

The General Assembly can only deliberate if half of the shares are represented. This fraction is increased to two thirds in the case of an amendment to the articles of association.

# 1.2 Board of Directors

#### Powers

The Board of Directors has the broadest powers to carry out all administration and disposal functions that concern the Intermunicipal company, in addition to those reserved to it by law and the articles of association.

It organises the day-to-day management and appoints the Chief Executive Officer.

#### Composition

Each partner municipality has at least one representative. Municipalities with more than 70,000 and 100,000 inhabitants are entitled to one and two additional directors respectively.

Only individuals who have been simultaneously appointed by their municipality as a director in the Sibelga intermunicipal company can be proposed.

Following the municipal elections of 13 October 2024,

and in application of the Articles of Association, several members of the Board of Directors lost their directorship at the end of 2024 because they were not candidates in the municipal elections, were not re-elected or their replacement was requested by the new municipal majority. At 31 December 2024, several directorships were therefore vacant.

# Frequency of meetings and participation in 2024

The Board of Directors met 4 times and recorded an attendance rate of 74.1%.

### Interfin Board of Directors at 31.12.2024

Directors Anas BEN ABDELMOUMEN Brussels M'Hamed BENALLAL Anderlecht Hassan CHEGDANI Ixelles Michel COHEN Uccle Bart DHONDT Brussels Moulay Brahim EL KAF Koekelberg Faouzia HARICHE Brussels Nadia KAMMACHI Anderlecht Adburrahman KAYA Anderlecht Christophe KURT Jette Audrey LHOEST Ixelles Deborah LORENZINO Schaerbeek Michaël LORIAUX Woluwe-Saint-Lambert Ahmed MEDHOUNE Saint-Josse-ten-Noode Stéphanie PAULISSEN Auderghem Audrey PETIT Etterbeek Alexandre PIRSON Woluwe-Saint-Pierre Suzanne RYVERS Saint-Gilles Thibault WAUTHIER Berchem-Sainte-Agathe Thibaud WYNGAARD Uccle

Secretary Raphaël LEFERE

# 1.3 Bureau

### Powers

Without prejudice to the powers reserved to the General Assembly and the Board of Directors by law or the articles of association and without prejudice to special mandates, the Bureau has the powers of administration or disposal in the following areas:

- for public procurement;
- in cases of extreme urgency. In this case, the decisions taken by the Bureau must be confirmed by the Board of Directors at its next meeting, if there are still effects of those decisions arising at that date;
- on the appointment of candidates for mandates in the participating companies and joint subsidiaries;
- on the determination of the proxy votes of the Intermunicipal company representatives at the General Assemblies of the investee companies;
- on the sale of holdings;
- on the appointment of members of a Day-today Management Committee, if any, other than the Chief Executive Officer;
- on the setting of the Chief Executive Officer's objectives. In this respect, it also hears the mission report of the Chief Executive Officer.

The Bureau prepares the items on the agenda for the Board of Directors.

The Bureau may also exercise any specific management mandate given by the General Assembly or the Board of Directors.

The Bureau shall in any event exercise the powers which the Ordinance of 5 July 2018 reserves for the Audit and Remuneration Committee. As such, it makes recommendations to the Board of Directors on the remuneration and allowances applied within the Intermunicipal company. It assists the Board of Directors in reviewing financial information.

#### Composition

The Bureau is comprised of the seven directors who are elected members of the Steering Committee of the Sibelga Intermunicipal company. Following the municipal elections (see above), at 31 December 2024 there were 3 vacancies on the Board.

# Frequency of meetings and participation in 2024

The Board met 12 times and recorded an attendance rate of 88.3%.

#### Interfin Bureau at 31.12.2024

#### Members

Michel COHEN Faouzia HARICHE Michaël LORIAUX Thibaud WYNGAARD

Secretary Raphaël LEFERE

# 2. Remuneration

It should be pointed out that, since 01 January 2018, the Brussels-Capital Region Government Decree of 7 September 2017 implementing Article 5 of the Ordinance of 12 January 2006 on the transparency of the remuneration and benefits of Brussels public officials has applied to the directors of Sibelga and Interfin. New decisions on directors' remuneration were also taken at the Sibelga and Interfin General Assemblies of 18 June 2018.

These deliberations were reviewed at the General Assemblies of 17 June 2019, taking into account the entry into force, on 08 February 2019, of the joint implementing decree of the Government of the Brussels-Capital Region and the United College of the Joint Community Commission on the implementation of Article 5, § 1, of the joint order of the Brussels-Capital Region and the Joint Community Commission of 14 December 2017 on the transparency of the remuneration and benefits of Brussels public office holders.

#### Remuneration in the first half of 2024

The remuneration granted during the first half of the 2024 financial year is in accordance with the decisions taken by the aforementioned Ordinary General Assemblies of 17.06.2019, namely, an attendance fee of:

- € 148.33<sup>1</sup> for a director,
- $\in$  368.13<sup>2</sup> for the Chair and the Vice-Chair.

#### Remuneration in the second half of 2024

The remuneration granted during the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the 2024 financial year is in accordance with the decisions taken by the aforementioned Ordinary General Assemblies of 17.06.2019, namely, an attendance fee of:

- € 149.22 for a director,
- $\in$  373.00 for the Chair and the Vice-Chair.

#### Benefits

No benefits of any kind are granted to Interfin's officials. Interfin does not provide any working tools for public officials to carry out their mandate.

#### Representation expenses

In accordance with the previous decisions of the General Assemblies, Interfin does not grant any fixed reimbursement for representation expenses for its directors.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Average indexed amounts: €365.69 from 01 to 04/2024 and €373.00 from 05 to 06/2024

First name	Surname	Sibelga	Interfin	Total
Abdellah	Achaoui (**)	€2,372.87	€ 4,819.76	€7,192.63
Maxime	Baudaux (**)	€ 596.88	€ 298.44	€ 895.32
Anas	Ben Abdelmoumen	€ 1,334.19	€ 596.88	€ 1,931.07
M'Hamed	Benallal	€1,334.19	€ 447.66	€ 1,781.85
Christian	Beozière (**)	€ 1,778.92	€ 1,480.48	€ 3,259.40
Adelheid	Byttebier (* *)	€ 1,334.19	€ 596.88	€ 1,931.07
Hassan	Chegdani	€ 1,486.34	€ 746.10	€2,232.44
Cathy	Clerbaux (**)	€ 0.00(*)	€ 0.00(*)	€ 0.00(*)
Michel	Cohen	€ 3,414.48	€ 2,525.02	€ 5,939.50
David	Cordonnier	€298.44	€ 0.00	€298.44
Bart	Dhondt	€ 0.00(*)	€ 0.00(*)	€ 0.00(*)
Emel	Dogancan	€0.00	€ 0.00	€ 0.00
Caroline	Dupont (**)	€ 1,337.12	€ 746.10	€2,083.22
Moulay	El Kaf	€ 1,486.34	€ 746.10	€2,232.44
Bernard	Guillaume	€ 588.09	€ 149.22	€737.31
Faouzia	Hariche	€ 8,535.14	€ 2,525.02	€ 11,060.16
Nadia	Kammachi	€ 1,038.68	€ 596.88	€ 1,635.56

# Remuneration received by each Sibelga and Interfin director during the 2024 financial year

(\*) Decided to waive remunerations

(\*\*) No longer directors at 31/12/2024, following the municipal elections

First name	Surname	Sibelga	Interfin	Total
Abdurrahman	Кауа	€1,632.63	€ 746.10	€2,378.73
Christophe	Kurt	€1,632.63	€746.10	€ 2,378.73
Audrey	Lhoest	€ 892.39	€ 596.88	€ 1,489.27
Deborah	Lorenzino	€ 0.00	€ 0.00	€ 0.00
Michael	Loriaux	€ 3,116.04	€2,375.80	€ 5,491.84
Ahmed	Medhoune	€ 746.10	€ 447.66	€ 1.193.76
Ahmed	Ouartassi	€ 149.22	€ 0.00	€ 149.22
Leonidas	Papadiz (**)	€1,187.90	€ 596.88	€ 1,784.78
Stéphanie	Paulissen	€ 889.46	€ 447.66	€ 1,337.12
Audrey	Petit	€ 892.39	€ 298.44	€ 1,190.83
Alexandre	Pirson	€ 1,187.90	€ 596.88	€ 1,784.78
Suzanne	Ryvers	€1,337.12	€ 596.88	€ 1,934.00
Youssra	Sellassi (**)	0.00€	0.00€	0.00 €
Thibault	Wauthier	1,486.34 €	746.10€	2,232.44€
Thibaud	Wyngaard	8,535.14€	2,525.02 €	11,060.16 €

# Additional information on remuneration

The attendance fee received by a director for effective participation in the General Assemblies of Sibelga or Interfin is identical to that received for a Board of Directors meeting. The municipal representatives who take part in the General Assemblies are not remunerated.

All the amounts mentioned above are gross amounts.

# Governance of Sibelga

# 1. Governance structure

# Capital position at 31.12.2024

Municipalities

Interfin

Total

Since its creation in 2003, Sibelga has been managed by three bodies: a Board of Directors, whose composition reflects that of the shareholding body, a Steering Committee, which comprises a small number of directors who enjoy a wide remit, and a Chief Executive Officer, assisted by a Management Committee, responsible for day-to-day management. An Audit Committee has also been set up within the Steering Committee.

#### 1.1 General assemblies

The Ordinary General Assembly meets every year on the second or third Tuesday of June.

In addition, the Board of Directors and the Statutory Auditor may convene an Extraordinary General Assembly at any time.

In 2024, the Ordinary General Assembly met on 18 June 2024.

Sibelga's capital is represented by A shares and E profit shares of the same value (100 euros).

The A shares, together with the other equity (excluding E shares), form the irreducible base, while the E shares, newly created at the end of 2014, supplement this equity and constitute the surplus capital.

Sibelga's profit is distributed in proportion to the number of A shares held, after payment of the dividend on E shares. Each A-share, excluding E-shares (non-voting shares), entitles the holder to one vote at General Assemblies. The voting rights of the intermunicipal financing company Interfin shall be distributed among the municipalities according to the shares they hold in Interfin.

Number

of A shares

38

2,169,962

2,170,000

Number

of E shares

3,630,000

3,630,000

The representatives of the municipalities must be appointed to the General Assembly from among the municipal councillors, the mayor and the aldermen of the municipality.

The General Assembly may only deliberate if half of the shares are represented. This fraction is increased to two thirds in the case of an amendment to the articles of association.

# 1.2 Board of Directors

### Powers

The Board of Directors has the powers reserved to it by law and the articles of association. It may perform all the administration and disposal functions that concern the Intermunicipal company.

In particular, it shall take decisions on:

- tariffs
- regulations
- investment plans

- public service delivery programmes to be adopted in performance of the laws and ordinances structuring the electricity and gas markets.

It decides on the admission of new shareholders.

It sets up an Audit Committee from among the members of the Steering Committee which determines its powers and approves its internal rules and operating procedures.

#### Composition

Each partner municipality has at least one representative. Municipalities with more than 70,000 and 100,000 inhabitants are entitled to one and two additional directors respectively.

If the company had partners other than the municipalities and the intermunicipal financing company Interfin, these partners would have a number of directors equal to a maximum of one-third of the number of directors appointed by the municipalities and less than one-fifth of the total number of directorships.

Following the municipal elections of 13 October 2024, and in application of the Articles of Association, several members of the Board of Directors lost their directorship at the end of 2024 because they were not candidates in the municipal elections, were not re-elected or their replacement was requested by the new municipal majority. At 31 December 2024, several directorships were therefore vacant.

#### Frequency of meetings and participation in 2024

The Board of Directors met 10 times and recorded an attendance rate of 71.4%.

#### Sibelga Board of Directors at 31.12.2024

<u>Chair</u> Faouzia HARICHE *Brussels* 

<u>Vice-Chair</u> Thibaud WYNGAARD *Uccle* 

#### Directors

Anas BEN ABDELMOUMEN Brussels M'Hamed BENALLAL Anderlecht Hassan CHEGDANI Ixelles Michel COHEN Uccle David CORDONNIER Evere Bart DHONDT Brussels Moulay Brahim EL KAF Koekelberg Nadia KAMMACHI Anderlecht Abdurrahman KAYA Anderlecht Christophe KURT Jette Audrey LHOEST Ixelles Deborah LORENZINO Schaerbeek Michaël LORIAUX Woluwe-Saint-Lambert Ahmed MEDHOUNE Saint-Josse-ten-Noode Ahmed OUARTASSI Forest Stéphanie PAULISSEN Auderghem Audrey PETIT Etterbeek Alexandre PIRSON Woluwe-Saint-Pierre Suzanne RYVERS Saint-Gilles Thibault WAUTHIER Berchem-Sainte-Agathe

#### Secretary

Raphaël LEFERE

# 1.3 Steering Committee

### Powers

Without prejudice to the powers reserved for the General Assembly and the Board of Directors by law or the articles of association, and subject to what is stated below in relation to day-to-day management, the Steering Committee makes decisions in the following areas:

- for public procurement;
- on market operations and regulatory policy, except for the approval of tariff proposals and regulations;
- on borrowing and cash advances within the group;
- regarding the management and control of the subsidiaries of the Intermunicipal company and of its investee companies; in particular:
  - on the nomination of candidates for mandates in the participating companies and joint subsidiaries;
  - on the determination of the proxy votes of the Intermunicipal Association representatives at the General Meetings of the participating companies;
- on the appointment of the members of the Management Committee;
- in the area of divestitures;
- in investment matters, with the exception of investment plans;
- in defining the objectives of the day-to-day management body;
- only in cases of extreme urgency, on the matters referred to in Article 18 paragraph 2 of the articles of association, provided that the Board of Directors confirms the decision at its next meeting if there are still effects of that decision arising at that date.

The Steering Committee prepares the items on the agenda for the Board of Directors.

It hears the Audit Committee's report.

The Steering Committee may receive any specific mandate from the Board of Directors.

#### Composition

The Steering Committee is composed as a rule of 7 directors representing the municipalities and a maximum of 3 directors representing any other partners. Following the municipal elections (see above), there were 2 vacancies on the Steering Committee at 31 December 2024.

# Frequency of meetings and participation in 2024

The Steering Committee met 12 times and recorded an 86.9% participation rate of its members.

#### Sibelga's Steering Committee at 31.12.2024

<u>Chair</u> Faouzia HARICHE

Vice-Chair Thibaud WYNGAARD

<u>Members</u> Michel COHEN David CORDONNIER Michaël LORIAUX

<u>Secretary</u> Raphaël LEFERE

# 1.4 Audit Committee

# Powers

The Audit Committee is an advisory body to the Steering Committee. It assists the Steering Committee in terms of financial reporting, monitoring the effectiveness of Sibelga's internal control and risk management systems, monitoring the audit of the accounts, monitoring the independence of the Statutory Auditor and monitoring the handling of any reported violations of the ethic charter.

#### Composition

The Audit Committee is comprised as a rule of a Chair and two members chosen by the Steering Committee from among its members. However, at 31 December 2024, following the municipal elections, it had only 2 members, including the Chair.

### Frequency of meetings and participation in 2024

The Audit Committee met twice and had a 100% attendance rate of its members.

#### Sibelga's Audit Committee at 31.12.2024

<u>Chair</u> Thibaud WYNGAARD

Member Michaël LORIAUX

Secretary Raphaël LEFERE

# 1.5 Management Committee

#### Powers

The day-to-day management is carried out by the Chief Executive Officer and the members of the Management Committee.

The Chief Executive Officer oversees the preparation of proposals for decisions to be submitted to the Board of Directors and the Steering Committee. They head up the Management Committee and decide on the allocation of responsibilities among its members.

The Management Committee, under the leadership of the Chief Executive Officer, is responsible for developing Sibelga's strategy and submitting it to the Steering Committee. The Management Committee is also responsible for the operational management of Sibelga and its subsidiary BNO. The Management Committee ensures that the necessary risk management and internal control systems are in place. It takes all decisions relating to the organisational structure and approves all procedures.

#### Composition

The Management Committee is composed of the Chief Executive Officer and seven department directors. However, following 2 departures and 1 death in the second half of the year, the Board was temporarily down to 5 members at 31 December 2024.

#### Meeting frequency

The Management Committee meets on a weekly basis.

#### Sibelga's Management Committee at 31.12.2024

Chief Executive Officer

Corporate Affairs Raphaël LEFERE Human Resources Kathy SCHADERON

Grid Operations Alain PIRET (ad interim)

Chief Market & Asset Officer Alain PIRET

Chief Client Officer Raphaël LEFERE (ad interim)

Chief Financial Officer Laurent COPPENS

DBS Inne MERTENS (ad interim)

# 2. Remuneration

#### 2.1 Remuneration of directors

See the Remuneration section of Interfin's governance (p.11). In addition, the mandates in the Sibelga Audit Committee and in the BNO subsidiary are not remunerated.

# 2.2 Remuneration of the Management Committee members

The remuneration of the Management Committee members covers their services as members of the Management Committee of Sibelga and as members of the Management Committee of BNO (which is their employer). The remuneration of the Management Committee members is guided by reference to the Korn Ferry methodology. The remuneration of the Management Committee members consists of a fixed element, a variable performance-related element and other benefits, including a supplementary pension.

Management Committee members do not benefit from long-term incentives.

#### Fixed remuneration

The fixed remuneration of the Chief Executive Officer for 2024 amounts to a total of €255,658 gross.

The fixed remuneration for the 7 other members of the Management Committee amounted to a total of  $\notin$  1,318,301 gross<sup>3</sup>.

#### Variable remuneration

The Chief Executive Officer only receives a bonus linked to the achievement of the results set by a CLA 90. The variable remuneration of the other members of the Management Committee includes a bonus set according to personal and corporate results measured by a Balanced Score Card (BSC) and a bonus linked to the achievement of the results set by a collective labour agreement (CLA 90).

The CLA 90 bonus due for 2024 for the Chief Executive Officer is  $\leq 2,345$ .

The variable remuneration, including the CLA90 bonus, to which all the other members of the Management Committee are entitled is  $\in$  328,039.

Other benefits are determined according to the same rules for all Management Committee members. These include a supplementary pension, disability insurance, hospitalisation and health care insurance, life insurance, a company car (or mobility budget), discounted electricity and gas, meal vouchers, ecocheques for green purchases,

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The total shown here therefore includes remuneration paid to the 3 members of the Management Committee who were no longer in office at 31 December 2024 (and excludes termination payments).

a contribution to telecommunication costs and, in 2024, an exceptional work anniversary bonus, worth an average of € 79,826 per Management Committee member.

# 3. External control

As an intermunicipal company which has adopted the form of a cooperative society, Sibelga is subject to all the external controls to which unlisted private companies are subject, and in particular the audit and the control of the tax and social authorities.

As a distribution system operator (DSO), Sibelga's role is defined by the Ordinance of 19 July 2001 on the organisation of the electricity market and the Ordinance of 1 April 2004 on the organisation of the gas market. In this context, Sibelga is subject to the supervision of an independent regulator, Brugel.

Sibelga's tariffs are subject to its approval. Brugel gives an opinion to the Government of the Brussels-Capital Region on the five-year development plan, the annual programme and the budget for public service missions. It must approve the technical regulation of the distribution network. It exercises annual control through a series of mandatory annual reports.

It has the power to carry out any additional controls it wishes and to give the Government any advice it deems appropriate.

The development plan, the programme and the budget of the public service missions are submitted to the Government of the Brussels-Capital Region for approval.

As an intermunicipal company, Sibelga is subject to supervision by the supervisory authority in accordance with the terms of the Ordinance of 5 July 2018 on specific methods of municipal management and intermunicipal cooperation, which repealed the ordinance of 19 July 2001 on the supervision of intermunicipal companies in the Brussels-Capital Region. In addition, given its status as an intermunicipal company, Sibelga and its officials are subject to specific reporting obligations at both federal and regional level.

At the federal level, the special and ordinary laws of 2 May 1995 oblige all holders of public office to submit an annual list of their mandates, functions and professions to the Court of Audit, together with a declaration of assets.

Each year, Sibelga provides the Court of Audit with a list of all the holders of mandates within the management and control bodies for the previous calendar year. Sibelga also informs its officials of their individual obligations.

At the regional level, this was the Ordinance of 12 January 2006 on the transparency of the remuneration and benefits of public representatives of the Brussels-Capital Region, which was repealed by a Joint Ordinance of 14 December 2017 of the Brussels-Capital Region and the Joint Community Commission on the transparency of the remuneration and benefits of Brussels' public representatives

Under these regional regulations, Sibelga must submit an annual report to the Region setting out the remuneration, benefits of any kind and representation expenses granted to public representatives, trips and visits in which these representatives have participated in the course of their duties, as well as an inventory of the files on the award of public contracts concluded by Sibelga.

#### 4. Public procurement

Below you will find an inventory of all the public contracts approved by the Sibelga Steering Committee and communicated to the supervisory authority during the 2024 financial year.

Steering Committee	Award file	Tenderer	Contract value
9/01/24	Manhole covers NET21L002	Lot 1: AVK Belgium	€ 6,164,900.14
9/01/24	Manhole covers NET21L002	Lot 2: Evodis	€ 1,116,003.30
9/01/24	Manhole covers NET21L002	Lot 3: Evodis	€ 1,459,678.12
9/01/24	Manhole covers NET21L002	Lot 3: AVK Belgium	€ 650,090.00
9/01/24	Manhole covers NET21L002	Lot 4: Infratech	€ 326,694.40
9/01/24	Manhole covers NET21L002	Lot 6: AVK Belgium	€ 542,653.04
9/01/24	Manhole covers NET21L002	Lot 7: AVK Belgium	€ 430,381.92
6/02/24	Facility Management: Cleaning and maintenance of green spaces SIB21DS1303	Lot 1: Laurenty	€ 8,913,239.52
12/03/24	RenoClick – Cable draw SIB23TW1301	Lot 1: IB Technics	€ 620,828.29
12/03/24	RenoClick – Solar & Roof Architect – Design office SIB23TW1207D	Lot 1: Archi PJ	€ 1,504,685.00
16/04/24	Steel Accessories Award Form NET21L005	Lot 1: FBF	€2,546,584.00
21/05/24	Energy Management System SIB23LF2202	Lot 1: Trinergy	€ 3,340,250.00
21/05/24	TGBT SIB22EL2301	Lot 1: ABB	€ 6,096,000.00

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21/05/24	TGBT SIB22EL2301	Lot 2: Elecom	€ 360,000.00
21/05/24	Power cables NET23L004	Lot 2: Cabelte	€ 76,547,564.35
21/05/24	Power cables NET23L004	Lot 2: Kabelwerk Eupen	€67,600,603.16
21/05/24	Power cables NET23L004	Lot 2: Nexans	€ 49,232,154.47
21/05/24	Power cables NET23L004	Lot 3: Cabelte	€31,910,302.14
21/05/24	Power cables NET23L004	Lot 3: Kabelwerk Eupen	€ 18,452,267.14
21/05/24	Power cables NET23L004	Lot 4: Nexans	€ 39,744,786.60
21/05/24	Power cables NET23L004	Lot 4: Sadinter	€22,526,397.64
21/05/24	Power cables NET23L004	Lot 4: Evodis	€ 18,837,492.88
21/05/24	Power cables NET23L004	Lot 4: Kabelwerk Eupen	€ 9,976,490.79
21/05/24	Power cables NET23L004	Lot 5: Evodis	€ 16,625,997.01
21/05/24	Power cables NET23L004	Lot 5: Sadinter	€ 13,849,752.08
21/05/24	Power cables NET23L004	Lot 6: General Cable Celcat	€ 6,780,127.20
21/05/24	Power cables NET23L004	Lot 6: Cabelte	€ 4,836,575.70
21/05/24	Power cables NET23L004	Lot 7: General Cable Celcat	€ 3,373,166.68

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21/05/24	Power cables NET23L004	Lot 7: Cabelte	€ 2,874,180.92
21/05/24	RenoClick Contractors SIB22TW1803	Lot 1: Valens	
21/05/24	RenoClick Contractors SIB22TW1803	Lot 1: Louis de Waele Construction	€ 13,000,000.00
21/05/24	RenoClick Contractors SIB22TW1803	Lot 1: In Advance	
21/05/24	ChargyClick SIB23DS6701	Lot 1: TotalEnergies Marketing Belgium	€ 65,000,000.00
11/06/24	Network maintenance EP SIB23TW0201	Lot 1: Elec DVC	€ 1,992,614.92
11/06/24	Network maintenance EP SIB23TW0201	Lot 1: DM Cables	€ 1,852,098.08
11/06/24	Network maintenance EP SIB23TW0201	Lot 2: Elec DVC	€ 832,650.20
11/06/24	Network maintenance EP SIB23TW0201	Lot 3: Maintenance and repairs K. Verstraete & Zoon	€ 1,694,683.62
11/06/24	Network maintenance EP SIB23TW0201	Lot 3: New installations K. Verstraete & Zoon	€ 1,000,000.00
11/06/24	Network maintenance EP SIB23TW0201	Lot 3: New APK Infra West facilities	€ 1,000,000.00
11/06/24	Network maintenance EP SIB23TW0201	Lot 4: DM Câbles	€ 1,310,304.00
11/06/24	Distribution transformers NET22L008	Lot 1: Pauwels	€ 12,729,610.24
11/06/24	Distribution transformers NET22L008	Lot 1: I.E.O	€8,212,754.70
11/06/24	Distribution transformers NET22L008	Lot 1: Hitachi	€ 5,507,980.10

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11/06/24	Distribution transformers NET22L008	Lot 2: Pauwels	€47,373,221.07
11/06/24	Distribution transformers NET22L008	Lot 2: I.E.O	€ 25,032,147.38
11/06/24	Distribution transformers NET22L008	Lot 2: Hitachi	€20,211,374.37
11/06/24	Distribution transformers NET22L008	Lot 2: Mefta	€ 10,647,826.19
11/06/24	Distribution transformers NET22L008	Lot 3: Hitachi	€ 20,615,427.97
11/06/24	Distribution transformers NET22L008	Lot 3: Mefta	€ 14,148,958.50
11/06/24	Distribution transformers NET22L008	Lot 3: Pauwels	€ 11,795,424.31
11/06/24	Distribution transformers NET22L008	Lot 4: Hitachi	€ 4,709,020.74
11/06/24	Distribution transformers NET22L008	Lot 4: I.E.O	€ 1,581,005.73
11/06/24	Masui Construction Hangar SIB23TW1701	Lot 1: Entreprises Gilles MOURY	€ 3,033,991.00
11/06/24	MDR IT OT SIB23DS0201	Lot 1: Thales	€ 5,398,057.73
11/06/24	RenoClick Replacement of monitoring equipment SIB23TW1302	Lot 1: IB Technics	€ 220,248.94
11/06/24	Metal valves NET23L007	Lot 1: Evodis	€271,791.63
11/06/24	Metal valves NET23L007	Lot 1 Sodeco	€ 729,419.56
11/06/24	Metal valves NET23L007	Lot 2: AVK Belgium	€ 262,974.55

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11/06/24	Metal valves NET23L007	Lot 3: Sodeco	€109,971.43
11/06/24	Metal valves NET23L007	Lot 4: Evodis	€267,640.64
11/06/24	Metal valves NET23L007	Lot 5: AVK Belgium	€ 63,696.45
11/06/24	Metal valves NET23L007	Lot 6: Evodis	€ 24,829.20
11/06/24	Metal valves NET23L007	Lot 6: AVK Belgium	€21,399.60
8/07/24	Household limiters & controllers NET22L004	Lot 1: Imbema	€ 5,197,082.31
8/07/24	Household limiters & controllers NET22L004	Lot 1: Evodis	€ 1,780,784.68
8/07/24	Household limiters & controllers NET22L004	Lot 1: Elster	€911,298.60
8/07/24	Household limiters & controllers NET22L004	Lot 2: Art. >1000 pc/year Evodis	€211,327.38
8/07/24	Household limiters & controllers NET22L004	Lot 2: Art. >1000 pc/year Infratech	€216,754.38
8/07/24	Household limiters & controllers NET22L004	Lot 2: Art. <1000 pc/year Evodis	€ 400,716.52
8/07/24	Management Licences NET23D003	Lot 1: Bechtle	€ 280,000,000.00
10/09/24	LAN management SIB23DS0202	Lot 1: Proximus	€13,000,000.00

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10/09/24	Small insulated cables and wires (LV) SIB23EL1801	Lot 1: B-Cables	€ 892,128.00
10/09/24	Small insulated cables and wires (LV) SIB23EL1801	Lot 2: Electric	€ 2,398,848.00
10/09/24	Small insulated cables and wires (LV) SIB23EL1801	Lot 3: Electric	€ 503,744.00
8/10/24	Smart cabins SIB23LF2501	Lot 1: Hitachi	€ 2,455,726.00
8/10/24	Smart cabins SIB23LF2501	Lot 2: Elecom	€ 1,094,912.57
8/10/24	Smart cabins SIB23LF2501	Lot 4: Elecom	€ 394,674.29
8/10/24	Smart cabins SIB23LF2501	Lot 5: CN Rood	€835,456.00
8/10/24	Smart cabins SIB23LF2501	Lot 6: EBDS	€ 391,540.00
8/10/24	Smart cabins SIB23LF2501	Lot 7: Hitachi	€ 520,178.00
12/11/24	Civil Engineering Works SIB23TW0901C	Lot 1: Paul Mathieu	
12/11/24	Civil Engineering Works SIB23TW0901C	Lot 1: THV Icodri	€ 3,320,000.00
12/11/24	Civil Engineering Works SIB23TW0901C	Lot 1: Atelier Jordens	
12/11/24	Operating liability insurance Rank 3 NET24D003	Lot 1: AIG-Europe	€ 190,000.00
12/11/24	Operating and Environmental Risks Insurance NET23D001	Lot 1: Ethias	€ 7,080,000.00

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12/11/24	Operating and Environmental Risks Insurance NET23D001	Lot 2: Ethias	€ 470,000.00
12/11/24	Operating and Environmental Risks Insurance NET23D001	Lot 4: Allianz	€ 240,000.00
12/11/24	Operating and Environmental Risks Insurance NET23D001	Lot 5: Allianz	€ 29,200.00
12/11/24	Operating and Environmental Risks Insurance NET23D001	Lot 5: Berkshire	€ 43,770.00
12/11/24	Operating and Environmental Risks Insurance NET23D001	Lot 5: MS Amlin	€ 87,500.00
12/11/24	Operating and Environmental Risks Insurance NET23D001	Lot 6: AIG Europe	€ 166,666.66
12/11/24	PE fittings and taps NET23L003	Lot 1: GF & Cynerpro	€6,745,474.05
12/11/24	PE fittings and taps NET23L003	Lot 2: GF	€ 3,339,185.09
12/11/24	PE fittings and taps NET23L003	Lot 3: GF	€ 3,384,904.97
12/11/24	PE fittings and taps NET23L003	Lot 4: Cynerpro	€ 767,957.25
12/11/24	PE fittings and taps NET23L003	Lot 5: AVK & Infratech	€ 3,753,563.18

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12/11/24	Access panels SIB23LF1801	Lot 1: Soma C	
12/11/24	Access panels SIB23LF1801	Lot 1: EJB	€910,920.00
12/11/24	Access panels SIB23LF1801	Lot 1: Evodis	
12/11/24	Access panels SIB23LF1801	Lot 2: Evodis	
12/11/24	Access panels SIB23LF1801	Lot 2: Soma C	€1,680,000.00
12/11/24	Access panels SIB23LF1801	Lot 2: EJB	
12/11/24		Lot 2: EJB	

# Governance of BNO

#### 1. Governance structure

#### 1.2 Board of Directors

Since its creation in 2006, BNO has been managed by two bodies: a Board of Directors, whose composition is identical to that of Sibelga's Steering Committee, and a Chief Executive Officer, assisted by a Management Committee, responsible for day-to-day management. An Appointments and Remuneration Committee has also been set up within the Board of Directors.

# 1.1 General assemblies

The Ordinary General Assembly meets every year on the second or third Tuesday of June.

In addition, the Board of Directors and the Statutory Auditor may convene an Extraordinary General Assembly at any time.

In 2024, the Ordinary General Assembly met on 11 June 2024.

BNO's capital is represented by 193 shares of equal value ( $\notin$ 100).

# Capital position at 31.12.2024

Partners	Number of shares
Sibelga	189
Interfin	2
Saint-Gilles	1
Ixelles	1
·	193

Powers

The Board of Directors is vested with the broadest powers to achieve the company's purpose and for its administration, without prejudice to what is stated below with regard to day-to-day management. Everything that is not expressly reserved by law or by the articles of association to the General Assembly is within its powers.

#### Composition

The company is administered by a Board of Directors composed as a rule of 7 members, who may or may not be partners, appointed by the General Assembly. However, at 31 December 2024, following the municipal elections, their number was down to 4.

#### Frequency of meetings and participation in 2024

The Board of Directors met 5 times and recorded an attendance rate of 82.9%.

# BNO's Board of Directors at 31.12.2024

<u>Chair</u> Faouzia HARICHE <u>Vice-Chair</u> Thibaud WYNGAARD Members

Michel COHEN Michaël LORIAUX

<u>Secretary</u> Raphaël LEFERE

# 1.3 Appointments and Remuneration Committee

# Powers

The Appointments and Remuneration Committee (hereinafter ARC) is an advisory body of the Board of Directors except where decision-making powers have been specifically delegated to it.

The Committee has the following powers:

- Appointments: the ARC determines the procedure for the recruitment of the Chief Executive Officer and submits it to the Board of Directors for approval.

The ARC monitors the selection process of the other members of the Management Committee, and issues an opinion to the Board of Directors on the candidate presented by the Chief Executive Officer.

 Remuneration: the ARC decides on the remuneration policy for the members of the Management Committee on the basis of proposals made by the Chief Executive Officer and monitors compliance with this policy.

The ARC reviews the adequacy of the general remuneration policy within the company and makes any relevant proposals to the Board of Directors.

# Composition

The ARC is composed as a rule of a chair and 2 members chosen by the Board of Directors from among its members. However, at 31 December 2024, following the municipal elections, it had only 2 members, including the Chairman.

# Frequency of meetings and participation in 2024

The Appointments and Remuneration Committee met 4 times, with a 100% attendance rate of its members.

# BNO's Appointments and Remuneration Committee at 31.12.2024

<u>Chair</u> Faouzia HARICHE

Members Michel COHEN

<u>Secretary</u> Raphaël LEFERE

### 1.4 Management Committee

#### Powers

The day-to-day management is carried out by the Chief Executive Officer and the members of the Management Committee.

The Chief Executive Officer heads the Management Committee and decides on the allocation of responsibilities among its members.

The Management Committee is responsible for the operational management of BNO. The Management Committee ensures that the necessary risk management and internal control systems are in place. It takes all decisions relating to the organisational structure and approves all procedures.

#### Composition

The Management Committee is composed of the Chief Executive Officer and seven department directors. However, following 2 departures and 1 death in the second half of the year, the Board was temporarily down to 5 members at 31 December 2024.

#### Meeting frequency

The Management Committee meets on a weekly basis.

#### BNO's Management Committee at 31.12.2024

Chief Executive Officer Inne MERTENS

Corporate Affairs Raphaël LEFERE

Human Resources Kathy SCHADERON

Grid Operations Alain PIRET (ad interim) Chief Market & Asset Officer Alain PIRET

# Chief Client Officer

Raphaël LEFERE (ad interim)

Chief Financial Officer Laurent COPPENS

#### DBS

Inne MERTENS (ad interim)

#### 2. Remuneration

The mandates of the BNO directors and the members of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee are not remunerated.

Directors and members of the ARC do not receive any benefits or remuneration in kind, nor any pension or reimbursement of expenses.

The members of BNO's Management Committee receive a single remuneration for their dual role as members of the Management Committee of Sibelga and BNO (see above).



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