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Two cents and Public Relations Global Network (PRGN) elect C.L. Conroy as President

Group elects new president during bi-annual meeting; Seattle's Aaron Blank elected as president-elect, Los Angeles' Leeza Hoyt named secretary and San Francisco's Sean Dowdall chosen as Treasurer

News literacy and #metoo among larger issues discussed by global PR professionals

Brussel (May 11, 2018) – Two cents and the <u>Public Relations Global</u>
<u>Network (PRGN)</u> announced today the slate of new officers for one of the world's largest PR agency networks. The appointments were announced during the consortium's recent bi-annual meeting in Toronto, Canada. The three-day event, where the group's leadership teams discuss best practices and find new ways to collaborate and develop business partnerships globally, included key break-out sessions on the #metoo movement, promoting news literacy in the age of fake news and creating a safe workplace for employees.

At the Toronto meeting, attended by members from more than 31 regions from around the globe, PRGN members elected C.L. Conroy, president and CEO of Miami, Florida-based The Conroy Martinez Group as its 26th president to lead the worldwide network of 51



Frédéric François, CEO of Two cents

independently owned firms for the next 12 months. Christina Rytter, managing director and founder of Copenhagen, Denmark-based <u>Scandinavian Communications</u>, assumes the role of immediate past president and chair of the Advisory Board. Other officers named include: President-elect Aaron Blank, president/CEO of Seattle-based <u>The Fearey Group</u>, Secretary Leeza Hoyt, president of Los Angeles-based <u>The Hoyt Organization</u> and Sean Dowdall, General Manager and Chief Marketing Officer of San Francisco-based <u>Landis</u> <u>Communications</u>, Inc., who will serve as Treasurer.

"With 51 agencies on six continents, the network is as strong as ever," said Conroy. "We are excited to offer multi-disciplinary firms in practically every corner of the world helping our clients have a global footprint where ever they need it."

Founded in 1990 by a group of visionary public relations leaders, with more than \$101 million in revenues and approximately 1,000 professionals in 51 locations, PRGN is one of the world's largest international public relations networks.



C.L. Conroy, president and CEO of Miami-based The Conroy Martinez Group and president of PRGN

"Two cents has been a proud PRGN member since 2016," said Frédéric François, CEO of Two cents. "Our partner agencies meet twice a year at our conferences. We have close, personal relationships with our 50 independent agency partners around the world that allows us to serve clients however they need."

PRGN partners meet twice a year in cities around the world. The next meeting will be held in October 2018 in Bucharest, Romania. Agency members are independent, local, owner-operated public relations and marketing communications firms that share expertise and resources, while providing broad-based comprehensive communications strategies to clients worldwide. Companies or organizations interested in the services of PRGN's local agency network can visit www.prgn.com for more information.



Members of the Public Relations Global Network (PRGN) recently convened in Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

Independent agencies interested in joining the network can visit the <u>member recruitment</u> section of the PRGN website for more information or email its membership chair, Lynn Erasmus, General Manager, HWB Communications at <u>info@hwb.co.za</u>.

About Two cents

Two cents is a Brussels based agency, specialised in content, PR, media & digital campaigns. The team of 13 creative communication professionals helps companies promote their brands, products and services, generating awareness and leads, and eventually increase their sales.

About Public Relations Global Network (PRGN)

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