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TRANSAID GROWS BOARD WITH NEW TRUSTEE APPOINTMENTS

International development organisation Transaid is welcoming three new Trustees to its board this month, following two earlier appointments made in February and March. This sees the board grow to 14 members in Transaid's 25th anniversary year, each bringing a wealth of industry experience and knowledge.

Three of the new appointments replace long-standing trustees who have stepped down, whilst two additional members have been taken on to bolster the board's combined skills-base.

The five new trustees this year include Astrid van der Burgt, Head of Road Safety at Holcim, a Swiss-French multinational that manufactures building materials; Paul Milner, previously a Managing Director with Samworth Brothers and now Director of his own consultancy; Phil Kamutenga, who is based in Dar es Salaam and heads up JSI's operations in Tanzania; Philip Roe, recently retired as Chief Customer Officer and Strategy Director UK for DHL Supply Chain and current President of Logistics UK; and Sharn Samra, a Global Marketing Director for Shell's Commercial Road Transport division.

Joan Aitken, Chair of the Board of Trustees, says: "The level of interest we received and the calibre of applicants was nothing short of exceptional; it really is a testament to the fact that Transaid has developed such incredible support, both in the UK and around the world.

"Our Trustees share the ultimate responsibility for governing Transaid and directing how it is managed and run. As we look forward to the next 25 years, I am confident we do so with a fantastic team to guide and support this very special organisation."

The new trustees join fellow board members Alan Hunt, Bill Howie, Gavin Williams, James Keeler, Julia Bunting, Maeve Magner, Olive Kobusingye and Phidelia Mwaba.

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About Transaid

Transaid transforms lives through safe, available, and sustainable transport. Founded by Save the Children, The Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CILT), and its Patron, HRH The Princess Royal, the international development organisation works with communities, partners, and governments to solve transport challenges throughout sub-Saharan Africa.

Transaid works in two core areas, road safety and access to health, to solve two of the biggest transport challenges in sub-Saharan Africa. Transaid's road safety work focuses on influencing safe driver behaviour with long term programmes in Ghana, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia, responding to local needs for improved training for drivers and riders of trucks, buses, motorcycles and forklift trucks. On the access to health side, Transaid is working with local partners and communities to strengthen access to health services, primarily in rural areas. They are also working to strengthen health supply chains in collaboration with local partners and governments.

Transaid enjoys strong backing from the transport and logistics industry and the active involvement of its patron, HRH The Princess Royal.

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