

# Curriculum Vitae

## Gerard van Kesteren

### Personal data

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### Chief Financial Officer (1999 – 2014)

#### Kuehne + Nagel International AG

Gerard van Kesteren was Chief Financial Officer and member of the Management Board of Kuehne + Nagel International AG, Schindellegi, Switzerland, from July 1999 until July 2014.

He joined the company at the end of 1989 as Regional Chief Financial Officer for Western Europe. At that time the region consisted of 19 countries, 45 national companies and 3,500 employees.

Under Gerard van Kesteren's management, the respective financial systems used across this region were converted to Kuehne + Nagel's financial application standard. Since his appointment as Chief Financial Officer, the worldwide Kuehne + Nagel Group has benefited from his financial management capabilities.

Before joining Kuehne + Nagel, Gerard van Kesteren held leading positions in finance at Sara Lee Corporation. During his 17 years with Sara Lee, he served as Financial Director in Great Britain for six years and in Spain for two. His last position with the company was Director of Financial Planning and Analysis at Sara Lee's corporate head office.

Gerard van Kesteren was born in Utrecht in the Netherlands. His studies in economics and his experience as a chartered accountant provide him with an excellent foundation for his professional career.

Gerard van Kesteren retired from Kuehne + Nagel International AG on 1 July 2014 after 25 years' service.

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### Professional experience

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- 1990 – 2014      **Kühne & Nagel**
- Chief Financial Officer (1999 – 2014)
  - Financial Controller Western Europe (1990 – 1999)
- 1972 – 1989      **Sara Lee Corporation**
- Financial Director UK (1979 – 1985)
  - Financial Director Spain (1985 – 1987)
  - Corporate Director of Financial Planning and Analysis (1987 – 1989)

### Education

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- 1968 – 1972      **Hogeschool van Arnhem en Nijmegen:** Economics and Accountancy  
(Registered Accountant)

### Directorships and affiliations

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- 2014 – Present      **METRO Russia NV**
- Member of the Supervisory Board
  - Chairman of the Audit Committee
  - Member of the Remuneration Committee and Nominating Committee

### Personal interests

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- van Kesteren Foundation (Foundation supporting children in the third world – established in 2007 and now supporting projects in five countries).
- Rotary club member
- Foreign travel, gardening, cross-country walking