

Well-equipped non-execs require full briefing

27 April 2009: 'The Combined Code should encourage the establishment in all listed companies, certainly in the top 200, of an adequately resourced company secretariat reporting to the chairman' according to ICSA's Director of Policy and Strategy. In an article published in today's Financial Times, David Wilson says that an independent company secretariat would enable non-executive directors to discharge their duties more effectively. 'Compared to the executive directors who possess all the information and are supported by the company's infrastructure, the non-executives are significantly under-resourced' he adds. 'We would not expect ministers to attend cabinet meetings without a full briefing on the matters for debate and decision, so why should we offer less to the non-executive directors?'

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