Jan Werkman

Extended Bio

Jan Werkman has 25 years of experience as a tax and finance executive in various industries including the biopharmaceutical industry. His career includes initial senior positions in local and regional tax and legal affairs, followed by 25 years of regional and global tax and finance responsibilities in Royal Ahold, Celestica, Cephalon and others.

In recent years, working as a consultant and entrepreneur.

Strengths include understanding the value of science in the clinical setting, building strategy and translation into impactful execution and leadership development. Experience also includes corporate compliance and governmental affairs.

Communication and sharing of thoughts are key priorities. Languages include Dutch, English, German, Spanish and French.

Employment:

- Chief Financial Officer and Head of Legal a.i., LaRive Bio AG
- Head of Tax, Cristal Inorganic Chemicals
- Celestica, senior tax and finance management EMEA
- Huntsman, Senior Director Tax EMEA
- Royal Ahold, Tax Director Eastern Europe

Education:

B.S., Fiscal-Economics, Erasmus Universiteit Rotterdam, the Netherlands Post-Graduate, NOB, Certified Dutch Advisor

Development:

Post-Graduate, NOB, Certified Dutch Advisor

Personal data:

Dutch citizen
Permanent resident of Switzerland
Married, one daughter and a son.

Career Highlights:

LaRive Bio AG, Zug, Switzerland	2021-22
Co-Founder, CFO and Head of Legal, Board Member	

BioXpansion GmbH 2020-22

Co-Founder and Managing Partner

Corporate relocation consulting and full services provider.

Reinhardt Werkman & Partners, Zug - Switzerland

Business, finance and tax consulting

2018-20

Cristal (Inorganic Chemicals; now Tronox) – Zug, Switzerland Head Of Tax

2012-17

Realigned the global tax strategy with the global business model improving compliance and reducing ETR. Developed and led defense strategies resulting in successful outcome of tax audits around the world. Participated in implementation of global asset backed financing facility improving liquidity. Designed and implemented tax governance framework improving reporting and decision making.

Cephalon – Zug, Switzerland

2010-12

Senior Tax Director EMEA

Setting up tax management team for EMEA. Developed and implemented tax strategies aligned with corporate and asset acquisitions and reorganization, optimizing the ETR. Implemented new tools allowing for accelerated management and financial reporting, and better and faster decision-making.

Celestica - Zurich, Switzerland

2005-10

Tax Director EMEA and Finance Director Switzerland

Setting up tax department for EMEA. Design and implement tax governance framework. Developed and implemented direct and indirect tax strategies aimed at optimizing tax and administrative burden for company, customers and suppliers. Determined strategy for and led defense of tax audits to successful outcome.

Hunstman – Brussels, Belgium

2004-05

Senior Tax Manager EMEA

Planned and carried out merger of Huntsman companies in Germany, reducing cost and optimizing the tax position. Designed strategies realizing tax savings and improved cash repatriations in the region.

Royal Ahold - Brussels, Belgium

1996-2004

Tax Director Central-Europe

Carried responsibility for development and implementation of tax strategies for acquisitions and greenfield operations aimed at optimizing tax burden, liquidity and cash repatriation. Managed tax audits to successful outcomes.

Royal Ahold - Brussels, Belgium

1994-95

Tax Manager

Tax and legal analyst. Designing intercompany contracts.