

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Abigail Herron



Abigail Herron joined the global responsible investment team at Aviva last year with a mandate to lead ESG engagement across all asset classes. Her sustainability based specialisms include property/construction, investment, banking, insurance, chemicals, fisheries and marine resources and animal welfare. Abigail sits on the UKSIF Leadership Committee, the 30% Club Investor's Steering Committee, the FTSE4Good Banking Sector Working Group and the Travis Perkins Non-Executive Environmental Advisory Forum. She has recently completed the Postgraduate Certificate in Sustainable Business at the University of Cambridge, focusing on the impact of a global loss of pollinators on the average investment portfolio.

She previously headed up the corporate governance team of The Co-operative Asset Management, now Royal London Asset Management, leading on issues such as executive pay, women in the boardroom, corporate responsibility and environmental sustainability and ensuring a cutting edge approach to ESG integration and engagement across all asset classes. During her tenure TCAM received 'Best Steward of the Year' in the Financial News Asset Management Awards 2012 and Best Users of SRI and Corporate Governance Research - Thomson Reuters Extel SRI-Connect Independent Research in Responsible Investment survey (IRRI 2012) as well as providing national pension fund NEST with bespoke RI consultation.

She is a graduate of Sheffield University's Management School, a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators, a Member of the Chartered Institute for Securities and Investments and holds the UK Green Build Council's certificate in sustainability. Before responsible investment she worked in corporate law at Eversheds, providing compliance and legal advice to a variety of listed and private clients. Prior to this, Abigail worked for a Minister of Parliament.