

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Sarah Wilson



Sarah is the founder and chief executive of Manifest.

Since 1995 Manifest has been focused on providing institutional investors with the information and software tools to manage their stewardship activities.

The original idea for Manifest came as a result of Sarah's previous experience with working with information management systems firstly at Datastream (now part of Thomson Reuters) and her research and analysis background in journalism (Haymarket Publishing) and later with stockbroker James Capel.

The logistics of corporate governance and shareholder accountability don't tend to get as much attention as the high level policy issues but unless the operational aspects of shareholder rights work, engagement will fail. For that reason Manifest does not see itself as a "Proxy Advisor" telling investors WHAT to do but as a voting agent supporting the why, when and how. The company motto is "Voting is a right; informed voting is an asset".

Sarah is a regular contributor to the policy debate and works closely with academics and journalists helping to corporate governance into context.

Manifest does not take public positions on company recommendations but does work through many channels to ensure that share ownership rights can work effectively.

Most recently Sarah has participated on the Best Practice Principles Group for Shareholder Voting Research, a set of comply or explain principles for analysts in the corporate governance space.

Sarah is married to Tim, Manifest's IT Director and lives in Witham, Essex, with 2 children Thomas and Rosie.