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## **Inspicio Board Appointment**

The Board of Inspicio, the international inspection and testing business, is pleased to announce the appointment of Robert Walvis as the non-executive Chairman, with immediate effect.

Robert, aged 61, spent more than 30 years in a variety of senior roles within Shell Transport and Trading plc latterly as Chairman of the Corporate Centre & Director, Shell International, from 1997-2001. He is currently a non-executive director of British Energy Group plc, Johnson Matthey plc, Associated British Ports plc (now owned by Singapore Investment Authority) and Balfour Beatty plc, and is the non-executive chairman of the Supervisory Board of Allianz Nederland Groep NV.

Robert will join the Board as Inspicio's independent non-executive Chairman. Mark Silver, CEO Inspicio, said:

"Rob brings extensive international experience to the Inspicio Group and we look forward to welcoming him to the Board. His knowledge of the Asian market is second-to-none and his range of expertise gained from his time at Shell, followed by his current non-executive directorships, will be very beneficial to our future development."

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### **About Inspicio**

With over 5,000 employees operating in almost 130 countries, Inspicio is a world leader in the international inspection and testing market.

Initially listed on AIM in April 2005, Inspicio started its growth with the acquisition of Inspectorate, a global leader in testing and inspection services, in October 2005. Since then, it has made three further acquisitions - Environmental Services Group from Mowlem plc in April 2006; Eclipse Scientific Group completed in August 2006; and Scientifics Ltd in June 2007. Inspicio is now wholly owned by the 3i Group.

The Inspicio strategy is focused on growth. It aims to grow through acquisitions as well as structuring acquired businesses for organic growth and maximising any consolidation opportunities. The Inspicio vision is to become a significant global player in the testing, inspection and performance conformity market.