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## 2019 Fellow of THE-ICE

### Mr Ron Hilvert

Executive Director of Human Resources, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Public Investment Fund;  
Former Director, THE-ICE Board of Directors



Nominated by Professor Dr Oswin Maurer, Dean, Faculty of Economics and Management, Free University of Bozen-Bolzano, Italy.

Awarded for his outstanding individual support of THE-ICE.

Mr Ron Hilvert was recognised as a Fellow of THE-ICE for his outstanding contributions to THE-ICE, in his professional roles in tourism, hospitality, events, and culinary arts (TH&E) education, as well as in his role as a former Director of THE-ICE. During his time as a Director, Ron continuously contributed to developing THE-ICE's vision and commitment to excellence in TH&E education and training, and has incessantly promoted THE-ICE brand globally and engaged in THE-ICE strategic activities, including the International Panel of Experts (IPoE) Forums.

Ron is a highly reputed leader of international hospitality education and advancement; with over 45 years of professional experience in the hospitality industry, he has been recognised as the most experienced Human Resources Executive in the industry worldwide, having held the worldwide Corporate Human Resources position for Hyatt International, Hilton International and Jumeirah Group, and was an opening General Manager with Hyatt International Hotels. Ron has always made his knowledge and expertise available to THE-ICE Board of Directors and members.

Ron has had professional and educational contact with all major hotel schools and universities in North America, Europe, Asia and Australasia for over 30 years, strengthening ties between TH&E industry and education; has lectured at several major schools and universities; and has regularly been invited to speak at international conferences.