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Ron Hilvert, a graduate of the Ecole hôtelière de Lausanne, was the Founder and Managing Director of the Emirates Academy of Hospitality Management and has been a Director on THE-ICE Board since February 2012.

From July 2018, Ron was appointed as Executive Director of Human Resources: Kingdom of Saudi Arabia / Public Investment Fund (projects). Prior to that, Ron was Managing Director of the Dusit Hospitality Management College and dusitD2, the Fort, Manila, the Philippines, which offered programs with the academic certification of Ecole hôtelière de Lausanne.

Ron has over 40 years of professional experience in the hospitality industry and is recognised as the most experienced Human Resources Executive in the industry worldwide. He has 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 had professional and educational contact with all the major hotel schools and universities in North America, Europe, Asia and Australasia for over 30 years. He has lectured at several major schools and universities, and has regularly been invited to speak at international conferences. A fellow of the Institute of Hospitality, Ron is fluent in four European languages.