



Mercedes-Benz



Ben van Beurden

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Former Chief Executive Officer Shell plc. (listed)

Nationality: Dutch.

Ben van Beurden was born in the Netherlands in 1958. He joined Shell in 1983, after graduating with a Master's Degree in Chemical Engineering from Delft University of Technology in the Netherlands.

In January 2005, Ben van Beurden became Vice President Manufacturing Excellence (Houston, United States of America). He was responsible for standards in operational excellence and high-performance initiatives in refining and chemicals manufacturing. In December 2006, he was appointed Executive Vice President Chemicals (London, United Kingdom). During his tenure in this role, Ben van Beurden was appointed to the boards of a number of leading industry associations including the International Council of Chemicals Associations and the European Chemical Industry Council.

Ben van Beurden became a member of the Executive Committee in January 2013 as Downstream Director, with regional responsibility for Europe and Turkey. From 2014 to 2022 he was Chief Executive Officer of Shell plc (formerly Royal Dutch Shell plc). In this role he in particular promoted the transformation of Shell's sustainability strategy. Since January 2024 he is Senior Advisor to KKR LLP for their Climate Fund.

Ben van Beurden is a member of the following other legally mandatory supervisory boards and comparable supervisory bodies:

- Mercedes-Benz AG
- Clariant AG (listed) – Chairman (as of April 2025)