

Pekka Ala-Pietilä

Board Chairman

Pekka Ala-Pietilä is the Chairman of the Board of packaging company Huhtamäki and learning company Sanoma Corporation. Mr. Ala-Pietilä was also co-founder and CEO of Blyk Services Oy from 2006–2011. Between 1984–2005 he held several different roles at Nokia Corporation, his last positions as President (1999–2005), Member of the Group Executive Board (1992–2005) and Nokia Mobile Phones, President (1992–1998). During 2018–2020 he was Chairman of the EU Commission's High-Level Expert Group on Artificial Intelligence (AI HLEG). He has also had other key positions of trust such as Climate Leadership Coalition, Board member (2021–); SAP SE, Supervisory Board member (2002–2021); Finland's Artificial Intelligence Programme, Chair (2017–2019); Netcompany A/S, Chairman of the Board (2017–2019); Pöyry PLC, Board member (2006–2017); Solidium Oy, Chairman of the Board (2011–2015).

In addition, Mr. Ala-Pietilä acts as a mentor for many young future experts and decision makers, and holds an honorary Doctor in Technology from Tampere University of Technology and in Science from the Helsinki School of Business.

He was appointed as Chairman of the HERE Supervisory Board, effective as of February 17, 2021.