Ingrid Thijssen (1968) took up the position of President of VNO-NCW, the Confederation of Netherlands’ Industry and Employers, on September 15th, 2020.

Prior to her appointment as President of VNO-NCW, Ingrid Thijssen was CEO of the electricity network company Alliander. In that capacity she was also a member of the Executive Board of VNO-NCW.

Ingrid Thijssen has previously been CEO of NS Reizigers, the passenger transport branch of the Netherlands’ national railways company, and a member of the supervisory board of various organisations, including the Port Authority of Rotterdam and health insurance company Coöperatie VGZ.

She has also been a member of the supervisory board of Utrecht University of Applied Sciences and the board of SchuldenLab NL, an organisation assisting municipalities to help citizens managing their debts.

As President of VNO-NCW, Ingrid Thijssen is vice-chair of the SER (Social-Economic Council of the Netherlands), co-chair of the Stichting van de Arbeid (Foundation of Labour), chair of DECP (Dutch Employers’ Cooperation Programme, assisting employers organisations in developing and emerging countries), chair of PUM (senior experts, assisting companies in developing and emerging countries) and chair of the supervisory board of the Netherlands’ international business support organisation NLinBusiness.

Ingrid Thijssen studied law at Utrecht University, after which she completed various courses at international academic institutions (INSEAD, MIT, Harvard Kennedy School).
She is married and has two children.

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