

## **Michel van der Bel**

Michel van der Bel (46) Vice President Public Sector of Microsoft International, has worldwide responsibility for the sales activities and Government relationships of Microsoft within the Public Sector, except for the USA and Canada. His focus is the growth within the Public Sector and implementation of a world-wide consistent strategy.

Before being appointed to his current role, Michel van der Bel was vice president for public sector at Microsoft Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA), responsible for the relationships with European governments and for promoting Microsoft solutions for public-sector organisations, delivering an excellent customer and industry partner experience.

A Microsoft veteran, Van der Bel brings to the role his experience in the fields of public-sector business, developing government relationships, driving strategies on health care and education, and developing Microsoft's citizenship efforts.

From 2001 until the beginning of 2006 Van der Bel was the general manager of Microsoft Netherlands. During this time he and his team worked on an integrated approach to customer and partner experience, people, and citizenship in order to continue business growth in the Netherlands.

Van der Bel started at Microsoft in 1999, first as a sales and marketing director and leader of the Dutch Enterprise & Partner Group (EPG).

Michel van der Bel has a MBA degree and a background in electronics. In his free time, Van der Bel enjoys sport and playing the piano.