Marco de Vries

As Area Director and head of the Netherlands Foreign Investment Agency's Chicago office, Marco de Vries provides broad-ranged consultancy and hands-on assistance to companies throughout the Midwest in establishing, expanding and consolidating their European operations in the Netherlands. He mainly focuses on Illinois, Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee, and West Virginia, as well as the Canadian provinces of Ontario and Manitoba.

De Vries has a strong background in foreign direct investment and economic development. Prior to his current appointment, he has been temporarily heading the NFIA offices in New York and Atlanta. Previously, as Sr. Manager Foreign Investments at Amsterdam in Business, he was responsible for accounts such as Apple, Cisco, IBM, Levi's, Tommy Hilfiger, MTV, Red Bull, Wright Medical, Hill-Rom and Cooper Standard Automotive. Before joining the Dutch government, he held positions as HR Consultant, Marketing Consultant and General Manager.

As an international business generalist, holding a degree in Business Sciences (specialty Change Management), de Vries has been instrumental in the setup of many European headquarters, European distribution centers, marketing & sales offices and shared service centers representing a large variety of industries, with emphasis on IT, financial and business services, aerospace, life science, food and creative industries.

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Specialties

Experienced in international business, marketing, human resource management, business development, account management, consultancy and government. Always looking to facilitate companies in their journey to the next level.