



The Navy League of the United States, Madrid Council

FEBRUARY DINNER MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Hotel InterContinental, Madrid

Thursday, February 23, 2017 - 2000 Hours

All attendees must RSVP to rsvp@nlmadrid.org by Monday, February 20th

Navy League resident members: No Charge. Non-resident members or Guests: € 60.

The Navy League is extremely pleased to welcome to our podium:

Mr. Javier Vega de Seoane Azpilicueta

President of the Circulo de Empresarios



Born in 1947, Javier Vega de Seoane is a Mining Engineer having graduated from the Mining Engineering School in Madrid (1971) and holding a Business Management degree from the Glasgow Business School (1972). Mr. Vega de Seoane is Spanish and speaks English and French. He is married and has 3 children and 10 grandchildren.

He began his professional career at Fundiciones del Estanda, S.A., where he was first employed as industrial engineer and subsequently as deputy Production Manager (1972-1975). Thereafter he was employed by Leyland Ibérica as the Administrative & Financial Director (1975-1977). At the beginning of 1977, he joined SKF Española, where he was employed for eight years, having held the positions of Marketing and Sales Manager, General Manager, Managing Director and CEO & Chairman of the Board.

At the beginning of 1984, he joined the Instituto Nacional de Industria (INI), a state holding Group, comprising companies such as Iberia, Seat, Endesa, Musini...counting for some 10% of the Spanish GNP) as the General Manager of the Group for a three-year period, becoming a Partner in TASA A.G., an international "executive search" company, in late 1986. It was at this point in time in early 1987 that he founded Gestlink.

In October 1988, he took over the Presidency of Explosivos Río Tinto and S.A. Cros (Spanish chemical conglomerates), to later after the merger hold the position of Chairman of the Board of Ercros up to

October 1991, at which time, he returned to Gestlink as its President.

He has been Senior Advisor in Spain for the American investment bank Wasserstein Perella and has served on the Boards of Directors of several companies, such as Robert Bosch, Red Eléctrica de España, SEAT, CAMPSA, IBM España, Schweppes, ThyssenKrupp, Grupo Ferrovial (where he was Chairman of the auditing committee) and Polmetasa. He has also been a member of the Airbus Industrie Policy Group, Chairman of the Board of Fujitsu España, President of Bodaclick.com, Vice- President of Azkar, and has served on the Board of Directors of the Corporate Council of the Universidad Complutense in Madrid and on the Executive Board of the Spanish-Swedish Chamber of Commerce, and in the Executive Board of Círculo de Empresarios (Spanish version of “Institut der Deutschen Wirtschaft Köln” having 220 members, counting for some 15% of the Spanish GNP) as Vice-President.

Javier Vega de Seoane is President of DKV Seguros and Gestlink, and serves on the Boards of Directors of YDILO Voice Solutions and SONAE Industria. He is also Chairman of the Advisory Board of Fujitsu Spain, member of the Advisory Board of AON Gil y Carvajal, member of the Advisory Board of the Mining Engineering School of Madrid, member of the Advisory Board of la Fundación de Estudios para la Energía and member of the Energy Working Group of El Real Instituto Elcano and CEAL Ibérico.

From March 2015 Javier Vega de Seoane is President of Círculo de Empresarios.

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