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Appointed **Global Director** for the Agriculture and Food Global Practice on July 1, 2019. In this role, Martien provides leadership to the formulation and implementation of the World Bank's strategy and knowledge in agriculture and food, oversees the operationalization of the Bank's vision on agriculture and food in regional and country programs, acts as senior spokesperson for agriculture and food Bank-wide and globally, and manages the Agriculture and Food Global Practice.

Before taking this position, Martien held a number of positions at the World Bank which he joined in 1993 as a Young Professional. Prior to joining the Bank, Martien was an associate scientist in the Economics Program of the International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center in Mexico from 1991-1993 and an associate expert in the Dutch bilateral cooperation program in Pakistan from 1989-1991.

Martien holds a doctorate in Development Economics from Wageningen Agricultural University, The Netherlands and an MBA from Georgetown University. He grew up on a family-owned horticulture farm in Gouda, The Netherlands.

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