

Bio of Speaker

David A. Ricks

Chairman of the Board, PhRMA

Chairman and CEO, Eli Lilly and Company

Dave Ricks is chairman and chief executive officer of Eli Lilly and Company. He became CEO in January 2017 and was elected chairman of the company's board effective June 2017.

A Lilly veteran for more than 20 years, Dave served as president of Lilly Bio-Medicines from 2012 to 2016. Previously, he was president of Lilly USA, the company's largest affiliate, from 2009 to 2012. He served as president and general manager of Lilly China, operating in one of the world's fastest-growing emerging markets, from 2008 to 2009. And he was general manager of Lilly Canada from 2005 to 2008, after roles as director of pharmaceutical marketing and national sales director in that country. Dave joined Lilly in 1996 as a business development associate and held several management roles in U.S. marketing and sales before moving to Lilly Canada.

Dave earned a bachelor of science degree from Purdue University in 1990 and a master of business administration degree from Indiana University in 1996.

Dave is on the board of Adobe and is chairman of the board of the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America (PhRMA). He also serves on the board of the Central Indiana Corporate Partnership. Dave is a member of the International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers & Associations (IFPMA) CEO Steering Committee, The Business Council, Business Roundtable and the National Council for Expanding American Innovation (NCEAI). He serves on the Riley Children's Foundation's board of governors.

