

Cosimo Fiorenza, Vice President & Chief Investment Officer

Cosimo Fiorenza has played a major role in the development of the Quantum Valley in Waterloo Region. Mr. Fiorenza is the Vice-President and Chief Investment Officer of Quantum Valley Investments, where he has helped to establish numerous quantum technology start-up companies. He serves as a director and officer of several of these start-up companies, actively supporting them in a broad spectrum of matters including recruitment, financial matters, intellectual property, fundraising, and government relations.

He is the Founding Vice Chair Emeritus of the Perimeter Institute Board of Directors. In addition to his role as Vice-Chair of the Board, Mr. Fiorenza was also a member of both the Finance and the Investment Committees. He also served as the Chair of the Board of Directors of Friends of Perimeter Institute and a member of the Board of Directors of AIMS-NEI Canada, one of Perimeter's global outreach partners.

Mr. Fiorenza also helped to establish the Institute for Quantum Computing at the University of Waterloo where he was a member of the IQC Board of Directors and Finance Committee. In 2016, he helped establish Quantum Valley Ideas Lab, a charitable organization focused on applied quantum research and specifically the development of new quantum technologies that will be the basis for new products and new businesses in Canada. Mr. Fiorenza serves as Vice-Chair of Ideas Lab and is also a member of its Finance Committee and Investment Committee. Previously, he spent approximately 20 years with major Toronto law firms, advising some of Canada's leading corporations and entrepreneurs on income tax and commercial matters, with a focus on technology and international structure. Mr. Fiorenza holds a degree in business administration from Lakehead University and a law degree from the University of Ottawa. He was called to the Bar in Ontario in 1991.

