

**BOARD GOVERNANCE RESOURCES** 

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This whitepaper will explore other industry applications for a board portal, the right board portal for company groups, and how the right board portal can improve group efficiency and effectiveness.



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### **Designed to Improve Board Governance**

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Companies and nonprofits using Govenda to manage board business can also use their portal for other groups within their organizations. They can create separate, secure work spaces for discrete groups ("committees") for managing subsidiaries or divisions, or ad hoc project teams. And organizations that don't have a board of directors have discovered that Govenda works just as well for coordinating activities and sharing information securely with advisory boards, oversight boards, and management teams.

In the past, these types of groups have had to make due using a patchwork of disconnected tools—email, Web file sharing sites, group calendaring, etc.— that don't work well together and that were not designed for secure, professional group collaboration and communications.

#### The Result:

- Inefficient meetings
- Wasted time for group members
- Unnecessary, redundant administrative tasks
- Difficulty scheduling meetings and ensuring members have current information

### Is a Board Portal Right for You?

If you can answer yes to one or more of these questions, your group could benefit from Govenda:

- Do you spend too much time coordinating meetings and making sure everyone has the correct documents and information, leaving less time for productive group business?
- Are your group members juggling multiple log ins and opening multiple applications or web pages to access schedules, documents and other group information?
- Are you using email to send and update meeting agendas and background information including large, confidential files? Are some members using private (potentially insecure) email providers?
- Worse yet, do you print and distribute hard copies?
- Are group members using their laptop or email application as a personal document repository, manually deleting old drafts as the documents are updated?
- Are you sharing large files using consumer file-sharing services? Do you struggle to schedule meetings because you don't have access to a group calendar?

### **How Govenda Improves Group Efficiency** and Effectiveness

- Eliminate paper and printing costs, while improving document access.
- Create a secure Web portal where only group members can access documents and meeting materials.
- Set automated alerts to notify members when new information or documents are available, streamlining communication.
- Improve document access and ease of use with access from any device and rich annotation tools.
- Reduce the security risks inherent in emailing sensitive files by providing anytime, anywhere access to confidential documents in a highly secure portal.
- More easily schedule meetings, create meeting agendas, and manage document updates - from any device, anywhere at any time.
- Eliminate time spent hunting for documents, cutting and pasting information from applicationto-application, and switching back-and-forth from document to Web page to email.
- Centrally manage who can access information, including document drafts, and remotely purge documents from members' mobile devices.
- Create group surveys/polls for approving and voting on issues.



### **Industry Applications for** Govenda

**Banking** Loan Committees

**Pharmaceuticals Independent Review Boards** 

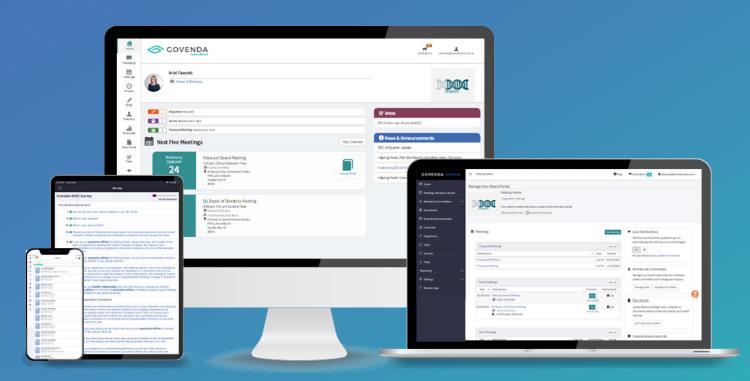
**Multinationals** Global, Regional or National **Subsidiaries** 

**Law and Accounting** Management/Executive Committees

Technology **R&D** Groups

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### Stylish and Sophisticated User Interface

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### **Powerful Mobile Applications**

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