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Byron Loflin is the Global Head of Board Advisory at Nasdaq where he leads the governance team in driving board and governance effectiveness. Byron founded Center for Board Excellence (CBE) in 2010 and was CEO until it was acquired by Nasdaq in 2019. Prior to CBE, Byron was the CEO and president for two private companies between 1992–2009. Byron is the architect and developer of a governance platform and tools used by thousands of board members globally.

Along with speaking on and teaching corporate governance effectiveness, Byron has co-authored the book *CEO Ready* with Mark Thompson and being published by Harvard Business Press, November 2025. The book draws insights from their over 25 years of experience with board dynamics including CEO succession. Byron and Mark also have an article in the Harvard Business Review January/February 2026 issue. Additionally, Byron's articles and interviews have been published by International Banker, Fast Company, Fortune, Chief Executive, Harvard Law Corporate Governance Forum, and several other.

Byron is a graduate of James Madison University (BA) and Harvard Business School (OPM) and an active learner with several HBS Executive Education Certificates including Harvard's Board Effectiveness program.