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Germany Forum Munich 2020

8-9 October, Hilton Munich City | Virtual Experience

PDI Germany Forum 2020 Virtual Pass FAQs

As we all continue to search for ways to maximise business efficiency and returns during the COVID-19 pandemic, PDI is committed to connecting the private debt investor community so business can continue as normal as possible.

To deliver on this commitment of creating valuable connections and fundraising opportunities for the asset class, the PDI Germany Forum is now available virtually alongside the live conference in Munich.

Below we have answered some FAQs to help give you a greater understanding of what the platform is and is not. Find information about:

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GENERAL

So, what is it?

The PDI Germany Forum virtual platform will replicate all the best parts of the in-person conference experience.

You can:

- Watch live panel sessions happening in Munich and ask questions of the speakers
- Watch and download recordings of the panels at a time more convenient for you, with the platform open until the end of March 2021
- Network with delegates who are both attending in-person in Munich and those tuning in from around the globe just as you are 2 weeks prior to the event until the end of 2020
- Participate in virtual roundtables and themed networking rooms to discuss the topics that matter to you with like-minded peers

How do I access the platform?

The platform will launch 2 weeks out from the event. As a registered attendee, you will be sent a unique code to access the platform. That code is unique to you and cannot be shared with anyone else, just like other password-protected sites.

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How will I know how to use the platform?

We will run a full introductory webinar with the functionality of the platform and the PDI team is available to help you out at any point. The advantage of launching it 2 weeks out is that we can help you iron out any issues you might be having with plenty of time before the event!

CONTENT

Do I need to sit in front of my laptop all day or all night?

No. There will be live content (which is where you can take part in live Q&As), but all content will be made on-demand until the end of March 2021, so you can watch any session at a time convenient to you.

The discussion rooms will also be live until the end of March 2021 to add your viewpoint to a conversation and catch up on the live comments from the conference if you cannot make a session. You can also direct message speakers of interest to ask them questions or schedule a meeting if you enjoyed their presentation or panel discussion after the fact.

I have watched enough webinars over the past 6 months, why would I want to watch more?

We hear you – which is why we have structured the platform to ensure you are part of the conversation. You will be able to:

- Ask questions of panel speakers during the session
- Spend time face-to-face via video conference with speakers to ask questions after the session
- Join roundtables to discuss the topics that matter to you with like-minded peers
- Focused networking breaks where you can discuss the strategies and opportunities you are interested in
- Pop in to sponsor booths to connect via video and discuss their offerings or a presentation that they just gave

What if I forget that a session I want to attend is on?

You can build your own personal agenda within the platform and opt-in to receive notifications when sessions are about to begin. Of course, you can always watch the session on-demand until the end of March 2021.

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NETWORKING

Is “virtual networking” just a buzzword for direct messaging or email?

Absolutely not! The virtual platform will feature direct messaging functionality, but it also has in-built video conferencing that allows you to invite up to 5 other people into a single meeting. Just select your potential business partner/s from the attendee list and invite them to chat.

Will my invitations for meetings just get lost in the platform?

No, any invitations for meetings will go directly to the recipients registered email address with your meeting proposal just as they normally would through Outlook, iCal, Google Calendar, and other email programs. Once the recipient has responded, you will also receive notification to your inbox.

Won't I be at a disadvantage to the other attendees who are there in person?

It is hard to beat in-person interactions and networking; however, the virtual platform also has its advantages.

- You will be able to see all attendees who are attending each session, or have viewed the recording, to help identify potential business partners and to give a common conversation starting point when sending meeting requests
- At a live event, you may be just hoping to bump into another attendee, speaker or exhibitor, with the virtual platform you have the full list of attendees in front of you where you can click on a name and request a meeting or send them a message
- Networking and messaging functionality will be available for longer than just 16-18 November, meaning you can set times with your key targets in advance of or after the event to ensure you get full value from attending the event virtually

If people are walking around the live event in Munich, how will I be able to network with them through a computer?

This is a key reason as to why we are launching the platform from 2 weeks before the event until the end of March 2021. Our virtual-only attendees will have the chance to organise meetings with in-person attendees at a time that suits both parties, be that before, during or after 8-9 October.



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What about the timezone difference? How do I set meetings on my timezone?

The platform shows available meeting times as per your computers timezone. For example, if you are based in New York, a meeting you set for 10 am from your account will show to a recipient in Munich as 4 pm, reducing the human error impact of incorrectly guessing time zones.

It is worth noting that event timings will be running on Greenwich Mean Time (GMT). The platform will note the timezone abbreviation next to most timings to avoid confusion.