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# CFOs & COOs Europe

## Virtual Experience 2020

12-13 October

### Day one: Monday 12 October

09:30 Welcome and introduction by chair

09:45 Opening keynote

**Staying on top of the seismic shift: A COO/CFO's concise guide to artificial intelligence's impact on asset/fund management**

No longer merely a tool in the tech toolkit, AI is now seen as the core around which modern companies are built. As the Asset/Fund Management industry is shaken by the powerful dynamics unleashed by AI, in this executive session learn how to rapidly assess your firm's critical strategic needs in AI.

**Prof. Al Naqvi, CEO & Researcher, American Institute of Artificial Intelligence**

10:15 Stretch break

10:20 Panel session

**Growing your business in a time of increased complexity**

- Achieving economies of scale across finance, operations, HR and compliance
- As firms grow, which functions can gain improved efficiency via outsourcing?
- Internal business dynamics: the role of the CFO/COO in managing international expansion
- Organic growth versus M&A
- How has the coronavirus pandemic impacted business growth for private funds?

Moderator:

**Chris Adams**, Global Head of Sales for Alternative Fund Servicing, **Brown Brothers Harriman**

Panellists:

**Robin Bailey**, COO, **Pantheon**

**Erica Herberg**, CFO, Investment Solutions, **Carlyle Group**

**Jamie Lyon**, European CFO & COO, **LaSalle Investment Management**

**Michaela Strempl**, EMEA COO BlackRock Alternative Investors, **BlackRock**

11:05 Stretch break

11:10 Panel session

**Digital transformation and the technology revolution**

- RPA, automation and the future of financial asset management
- Must-have versus nice-to-have, which technological innovations are worth the investment to give your firm the competitive edge?
- Speeding up the pace of innovation: third party collaborations or in-house talent expansion?
- Identifying the areas most susceptible to disruption: front, middle or back office activities?

Moderator:

**Nick Moore**, Founder & Executive Director, **Lionpoint Group**

Panellists:

**Marc Dumbell**, Chief Financial & Operating Officer, **Campbell Lutyens**

**Laura Fegan**, Operations Director, **LaSalle Investment Management**

**Mattias Hindfelt**, CTO, **EQT**

**Florian Kemmerich**, Managing Partner, **Bamboo Capital Partners**

**11:45 Morning networking break and meet the speakers Q&As**

*An opportunity to join the speakers from previous panels and ask them questions*

**12:10 Streamed sessions: panel and roundtable discussions**

*For these breakout sessions, you can choose to attend the stream most relevant for you. Each stream will start with a panel discussion on zoom, followed by Q&A and audience discussions.*

STREAM A: Finance	STREAM B: Operations	STREAM C: Tax & Regulation	STREAM D: Technology
<p>Panel</p> <p><b>The evolving role of the CFO in private funds</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Role of the CFO in fundraising</li> <li>• Hedging interest rates and currency risks</li> <li>• Integrating a new strategy into an existing platform</li> <li>• Succession planning for the modern-day CFO</li> </ul> <p>Moderator: <b>Graham Bippart</b>, Editor, <b>Private Funds CFO</b></p> <p>Panellists: <b>Katja Baur</b>, CFO, <b>Montana Capital Partners</b> <b>Marie Joyce</b>, CFO, <b>NTR plc</b> <b>Lindsey Ord</b>, CFRO, <b>Climate Fund Managers</b></p> <p><i>Live Q&amp;A and audience discussion will follow the panel</i></p>	<p>Panel</p> <p><b>Driving your private fund business forward through successful operations</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Operational due diligence of your business</li> <li>• Attracting and retaining talent and the value of team diversity</li> <li>• Implementing a successful culture and ensuring employee wellbeing</li> <li>• Succession planning</li> </ul> <p>Panellists: <b>Raxita Kapashi</b>, CFO, <b>Dawn Capital</b> <b>Martina Sanow</b>, Deputy COO, <b>Hg Capital</b></p> <p><i>Live Q&amp;A and audience discussion will follow the panel</i></p>	<p>Panel:</p> <p><b>Combating regulatory challenges on the horizon</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AIFMD and reverse solicitation: how to ensure compliance</li> <li>• BEPS and its impact on funds</li> <li>• SEC registration and compliance for European funds</li> <li>• Data protection and GDPR in a post-Brexit world</li> </ul> <p>Panellists: <b>Fiona Cooper</b>, Tax Director, <b>Starwood Capital Europe Advisers</b> <b>Simon Hirtzel</b>, General Partner &amp; COO, <b>IQ Capital</b> <b>Paulina Pietkiewicz</b>, Partner, <b>Abris Capital</b></p> <p><i>Live Q&amp;A and audience discussion will follow the panel</i></p>	<p>Panel:</p> <p><b>Integrating tech successfully from front to back office</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reporting requirements and how technology can streamline the process</li> <li>• Cybersecurity</li> <li>• Effective data management</li> <li>• Integrating technology with business culture</li> </ul> <p>Moderator: <b>Simon Shipgood</b>, Regional Director, <b>EWM Global</b></p> <p>Panellists: <b>Florian Kemmerich</b>, Managing Partner, <b>Bamboo Capital Partners</b> <b>Petter Weiderholm</b>, Managing Director, Global Head of IT Strategy, <b>EQT</b></p> <p><i>Live Q&amp;A and audience discussion will follow the panel</i></p>

**13:00 Lunch, networking and tech demo showcase**

*Four of our event partners will be showcasing their products live! Each one will be 10 minutes, and at the end you can vote for your favourite:*

- eVestment
- EWM Global
- Lionpoint Group
- Millennium Global

**14:00 Streamed sessions: panel and roundtable discussions**

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STREAM A: Infrastructure	STREAM B: Debt	STREAM C: Private Equity	STREAM D: Real Estate
<p>Panel  <b>Surviving and thriving in a constantly evolving and increasingly regulatory-driven infrastructure market</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Innovative structures to maximise returns</li> <li>• Development risk</li> <li>• Regulatory hurdles in the infra world</li> </ul> <p>Moderator:  <b>Adam Smallman</b>, Head of Content Strategy, PEI</p> <p>Panellists:  <b>Dean Horton</b>, COO, <b>African Infrastructure Investment Managers</b></p>	<p>Panel  <b>How has the CFO/COO role changed as private debt moves into a post-established era?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Managing liquidity</li> <li>• Update on private debt fund structures</li> <li>• How operational due diligence for debt funds differs</li> <li>• Challenges with debt data</li> </ul> <p><b>Daniel Bartsch</b>, Founder &amp; COO, <b>Creditshelf</b>  <b>Andrew Haywood</b>, CFO, <b>Park Square Capital</b>  <b>Charlotte Henderson</b>, COO, General Counsel, <b>All Seas Capital</b></p>	<p>Panel  <b>Preparing for future operational and finance challenges within your private equity business</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Credit lines and use of debt for PE funds</li> <li>• The role of finance and operations in value creation</li> <li>• The role of the CFO/COO in the exit strategy</li> <li>• Implementing a successful portfolio review</li> <li>• Secondaries and their impact on valuations</li> </ul> <p>Moderator:  <b>Nicholas D’Adhemar</b>, CEO, <b>Apperio</b></p> <p>Panellists:</p>	<p>Panel  <b>Embracing the increasingly strategic CFO/COO role in real estate</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accessing alternative sources of capital</li> <li>• Managing end of life funds</li> <li>• Managing fund level debt finance</li> </ul> <p>Panellists:  <b>Nisha Raghavan</b>, CFO, <b>EQT Partners</b>  <b>Apwinder Foster</b>, COO, <b>DRC Capital</b>  <b>Maqbool Mohamed</b>, Partner, <b>Clarion Gramercy</b></p> <p><i>Live Q&amp;A and audience discussion will follow the panel</i></p>

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		<i>Live Q&amp;A and audience discussion will follow the panel</i>	

15:00 **Afternoon networking break**

15:30 **Streamed sessions: panels**

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<b>STREAM A: Infrastructure</b>	<b>STREAM B: Debt</b>	<b>STREAM C: Private Equity</b>	<b>STREAM D: Real Estate</b>
Panel <b>CFOs &amp; COOs view on the infrastructure investment market</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Impact of the coronavirus outbreak on infra</li> <li>• Defining the boundaries of infrastructure</li> <li>• Trends in asset pricing</li> <li>• Strategies for finding undervalued assets in the current market</li> <li>• Emerging markets infra: CFOs views on the challenges and opportunities</li> </ul>	Panel <b>CFOs &amp; COOs views on the private debt investment market</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Impact of the coronavirus outbreak on private debt</li> <li>• How private debt funds are managing their way through the downturn</li> <li>• Assessing valuations of debt</li> <li>• Standing out from the competition in a packed middle market</li> </ul> Moderator: <b>Julia Demidova</b> , Relationship Manager, Fintech & Private	Panel <b>CFOs &amp; COOs views on the private equity investment market</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Impact of the coronavirus outbreak on private equity</li> <li>• PE fundraising in 2020 &amp; the modern CFOs role in this</li> <li>• Importance of ESG to investors</li> <li>• Impacts of retail investors entering the PE market</li> <li>• Is reputational risk a concern for the global PE industry?</li> </ul> Panellists: <b>Jason Howard</b> , CFO, <b>Headway Capital Partners</b> <b>Neil Cooper</b> , CFO, <b>Abingworth</b>	Panel <b>CFOs &amp; COOs views on the real estate investment market</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Impact of the coronavirus outbreak on private real estate</li> <li>• Impact of UK capital gains tax on pricing</li> <li>• Lessons from the listed market</li> <li>• The rise of real estate debt funds &amp; direct lending</li> <li>• Finding opportunities in the middle market</li> </ul> Panellists <b>Nick Brown</b> , Finance Director, <b>M&amp;G Real Estate</b>

<p><b>Niyamat Fazal, CFO, DWS Infrastructure</b></p> <p><i>Live Q&amp;A and audience discussion will follow the panel</i></p>	<p>Markets, <b>OMFIF</b></p> <p>Panellists:</p> <p><b>Andrew Aitken</b>, Global COO &amp; CFO, <b>Cross Ocean Partners</b></p> <p><b>Angus Donaldson</b>, Partner &amp; COO, <b>Newstead Capital</b></p> <p><i>Live Q&amp;A and audience discussion will follow the panel</i></p>	<p><i>Live Q&amp;A and audience discussion will follow the panel</i></p>	<p><b>Luke Venables, COO, ARA Venn</b></p> <p><i>Live Q&amp;A and audience discussion will follow the panel</i></p>
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16:10 Closing panel session

**What investors want**

- What can CFOs, COOs & their teams do to ensure their investors have the highest quality client experience possible
- Information, transparency, data & more - what investors expect from their managers and how this varies across asset classes
- Fees, expenses, ESG... what do investors prioritise in their reports and communications received from their managers?
- Latest in fund terms: what to negotiate, latest in preferred terms
- Investor concerns during crisis – what did they want to hear from their managers during the coronavirus pandemic?

Moderator:

**Toby Mitchenall**, Head of Newsletters, **Private Funds CFO**

Panellists:

**David Weeks**, Co-Chair, **Association of Member Nominated Trustees**

**Christian Hinze**, Chief Operating Officer, Europe, **StepStone Group**

**Bola Tobun**, Finance Manager – Pensions & Treasury, **London Borough of Enfield**

16:45 Close of day one

## Day two: Tuesday 13 October

10:00 Welcome from chair

### 10:10 **Think Tanks**

Join the think tank relevant to you and discuss & learn with your peers:

- CFOs think tank (GPs only)  
**Overcoming the finance challenges in private funds brought about by the pandemic**
- COOs think tank (GPs only)  
**Overcoming the operational challenges in private funds brought about by the pandemic**
- Service provider think tank (SPs only)  
**How service providers must evolve in the post-pandemic era to best service their private fund clients**

10:35 Stretch break

10:40 Panel session

#### **Outsourcing versus in-house capabilities**

- Integrating outsourced functions with in-house resources
- What criteria should be used when choosing an outsourcing provider?
- Building from within: recruiting and retaining the right technology leaders
- Balancing cost and efficiency

Moderator:

**Richard Urban**, Independent Non-Executive Director, **Rivington Pike**

Panellists:

**Leo Scanavino**, CFO, **RJD Partners**

**Sara Lee**, CFO, **AMTC**

**Jose Benedicto**, Partner, Direct Lending, **Shard Capital Partners**

11:20 **Morning networking break and 'meet the speakers' Q&As**

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11:45 Panel session

**Valuing private assets in the face of unprecedented economic upheaval**

- H1 2020 in review – Evaluating the credibility of NAVs produced by the PE industry throughout the lockdown
- Maintaining the trust of LPs – What are the best practices that will position GPs well with their investors?
- H2 2020 and beyond – How should PE managers address the unprecedented uncertainty and provide credible valuation information to LPs

Moderator:

**Ryan McNelley**, Managing Director, Alternative Asset Advisory, **Duff & Phelps**

Panellists:

**Joshua Cherry-Seto**, Chief Financial Officer, **Blue Wolf Capital**

12:25 Stretch break

12:30 Fireside chat

**Developing an ESG strategy: how to measure and demonstrate value**

- What data is used to measure ESG performance in investment – whether portfolio companies, infrastructure projects or otherwise?
- Does ESG data need to be tailored? Or is there a generic framework to satisfy all clients?
- Environmental, societal & governmental – which aspect of ESG is most in-focus currently? And how do the requirements (reporting, data etc.) compare?
- Top tips & takeaways for building out a successful ESG strategy: skills & software required, integration with other teams, avoiding greenwashing & more

**Ersilia Molnar**, COO - Europe, **Muzinich & Co.**

13:00 Meet the speaker Q&A

13:15 Close of conference