Private Equity International

## Investor Relations, Marketing & Communications Forum New York 2023

## Agenda

## Day 1 - Wednesday, April 19

## 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM Pre-conference breakfast meetings

Get geared up for the conference at one of our concurrent breakfast meetings.

## A. Brand authenticity in private markets

- What does "authenticity" mean in the private market?
- How do you create KPIs for authenticity?
- Share ideas for creating and managing an authentic brand and narrative for fund managers.

## Speakers:

Mary Armstrong, Managing Director, Global Head of Marketing & Communications, General Atlantic

**Priscilla Guevara**, Head of Investor Relations, Investment Team & Science Ventures, **Science Inc. Rob Kaufman**, Principal, Head of Investor Relations, **Linse Capital Ravali Parsa**, Director of Investor Relations, **Aurora Capital Partners** 

## B. Fundraising during a downturn

- How will a recession impact the global fundraising market?
- How do you retain investors in a recession?
- Discuss emerging fundraising strategies to connect with non-traditional sources of capital.

## Speakers:

Amy Nelson, Chief Strategy Officer, Rethink Capital Partners
Michelle Noyes, Managing Director, Head of Americas, Alternative Investment Management
Association (AIMA)
Bill O'Conor, Managing Director, PEI
Tony Paredes, Vice President of Sales, Anduin

Sarah Tomolonius, Vice President, Investor Relations, M13

## C. VIP breakfast: A modern IR approach to converting your IR funnel faster (Invite-only)

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## 9:00 AM - 9:15 AM Opening remarks

#### Speaker: Seth Kerker, Director, Membership & Events, PEI

## 9:15 AM - 9:50 AM Fireside keynote: Future-proof marketing for private markets

- What is future-proof marketing?
- How will social media change the private investment market?
- Get ideas on how to optimize your firm's marketing team, technology, and strategy.

Interviewee: Arielle Gross Samuels, Managing Director, Global Head of Marketing, Blackstone Interviewer: MK Flynn, Editor-in-Chief, PE Hub

#### 9:50 AM - 10:20 AM Networking break

#### 10:20 AM - 10:55 AM The impact of the recession on private markets

- How will the recession affect the allocation strategies of traditional investors?
- What are the global events and economic trends driving investor behavior today and tomorrow?
- Understand what investors want to see in GP proposals in the current economic environment.

## **Moderator: Sarah Smith**, Managing Director, Limited Partner Services, **Advent International Speakers:**

Abigail Archibald, Senior Portfolio Manager, Mellon Foundation Stephan Connelly, Managing Director, Star Mountain Capital Robert Ellis, Managing Director, Summit Rock Advisors Neda Jafar, Partner, Kimmeridge

#### 10:55 AM - 11:25 AM Refreshment break

#### 11:25 AM - 12:05 PM Masterclasses

Masterclasses provide delegates with practical insight and guidance from leading voices and expert sources on a variety of subjects. Set up in a classroom style, delegates will come away with actionable advice and insights on how to tackle complex challenges.

#### Masterclass A: How to build marketing teams for private markets

- How to assess the marketing needs of your firm and get buy-in from management.
- How to create a vision for your marketing team.
- Learn strategies small-to-midsize firms can use to build lean marketing teams.

#### Speakers:

Jeffrey Auerbach, Director of Marketing, MiddleGround Capital Amy Harsch, Managing Director, Investor Relationships, American Securities Aarti Iyer, Head of Communications, Campbell Lutyens Yokasta Segura-Baez, Managing Director, Investor Relations & Fundraising, ArcLight Capital Partners

## Masterclass B: Branding and content creation for fund managers

- Aligning your firm's branding and investment strategies.
- Creating and cultivating brand narratives that drive investor diversification and loyalty.
- Learning what the private equity sector can learn from venture capital when it comes to telling a firm's story.

#### Speakers:

Kelsey Clute, Vice President, Director of Communications, HCI Equity Partners Jack Cohen, Vice President of Content & Engagement, General Catalyst Kristy DelMuto, Senior Director, Strategic Marketing, LLR Partners Kimberley Tait, Vice President, Global Head of Content & Brand, Antler

## Masterclass C: Designing your IR, marketing & communications tech stack

- Building your firm's fundraising, marketing & communications tech stack on a budget.
- Designing your firm's digital strategy that grows your investor relations, fundraising, marketing & communications efforts.
- Understanding the technologies your firm's IR and marcomms "team of one" needs to adapt to changing investor priorities in a challenging global economy.

#### Speakers:

Angela Johnson, Partner, Investor Relations & Capital Raising, Fifth Wall Joel Palathinkal, CEO, Sutton Capital David Teten, Managing Partner, Versatile Venture Capital Louise Verga, Managing Director Americas, Dasseti

#### Masterclass D: The private market regulatory environment

- What does the regulatory environment for private markets look like today?
- How does the current regulatory environment impact your firm's fundraising and marketing strategies?
- Learn how to successfully navigate the new SEC marketing rule and other regulations.

#### **Speakers:**

Blake Bennett, Chief Financial Officer & Chief Compliance Officer, Revelstoke Capital Miles Chan, Vice President of Insight, Ontra Michael Hong, Partner, Investment Management, Davis Polk Suzan Rose, Senior Advisor, Government & Regulatory Affairs, Alternative Investment Management Association (AIMA)

#### 12:05 PM - 1:05 PM Lunch

#### 1:05 PM - 1:40 PM Generation Z and the private market

- What drives the behavior of Gen Z investors and managers?
- How is Gen Z influencing the alternative investment market?

• Learn what Gen Z investors expect from managers when it comes to fundraising, relations, and marketing.

## Speaker: Meagan Loyst, Founder & CEO, Gen Z VCs

#### 1:40 PM - 2:10 PM Networking break

## 2:10 PM - 2:45 PM Is DEI falling behind?

- In 2020, LPs dramatically increased their DEI commitments; how do LPs prioritize diverseowned managers in their allocation strategies today?
- Learn how fund managers can build equity into their investment strategies.
- How can DEI investment strategies include other underserved groups such as the neurodivergent population?

## Moderator: Carmen Ortiz McGhee, Chief Operating Officer, National Association of Investment Companies

#### Speakers:

Michael Elio, Partner, StepStone Group Amy Nelson, Chief Strategy Officer, Rethink Capital Partners Josette Thompson, Managing Director, Prosek Partners

#### 2:45 PM - 3:00 PM Refreshment break

#### 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM Working groups

Join one of our working groups to collaborate with your peers around shared challenges and take part in wide-ranging conversations about emerging trends.

## Working group A: Digital transformations for marketing & fundraising in private markets

- What does a digital transformation look like for private equity fund managers?
- I have years of data how do I determine what data will be most useful during my digital transformation?
- Learn about the digital tools available to optimize your marketing and fundraising efforts.

## Moderator: Hye Kyung (HK) Lee, Chief Solutions Officer, InvestorFlow Speakers:

Erica Blob, Partner, Chief Operating Officer & Chief Compliance Officer, Brighton Park Capital Annie Caucci, Director of Marketing, NewSpring Capital Isabel Han, Associate Director, Product Management, Invesco Rachel Hannon, Principal, Business Development and Investor Relations, Summit Park Brian Jackson, Data Scientist, Kimmeridge Matt Richards, Head of Market Intelligence, Angelo Gordon

## Working group B: Getting real about ESG

• How do investors prioritize ESG during a recession?

- How do you communicate your firm's ESG strategy to non-traditional investors?
- Share insights on tailoring and communicating your ESG strategy to match your firm's investment approach in a slowed economy.

## **Moderator: Frazer Blyth**, Director, Marketing & Communications, **Bluewater Speakers:**

## Heidi Dubois, Global Head of ESG, AEA Investors

**Leslie Golden**, Managing Director, Global Head of Capital Formation & Investor Relations, **DigitalBridge** 

## Justin Kulla, Partner, TZP Group

Natalya Michaels, Managing Director, Head of Investor Relations, Paine Schwartz Partners Ravali Parsa, Director of Investor Relations, Aurora Capital Partners Gary Sernovitz, Managing Director, Lime Rock Partners Rachele Stephenson, Manager of Investor Relations, NewSpring Capital Sarah Tomolonius, Vice President of Investor Relations, M13

## Working group C: Social media's role in private market fundraising

- What is driving fundraisers to social media for prospects, and what success are they finding?
- How are investors using social media to find new managers, and how are managers using social media to find new founders and deals?
- Share ideas and learn strategies for using social media as a viable source of investors and deals.

## Moderator: Devin Banerjee, Managing Editor, LinkedIn

## Speakers:

Ellen Chan, Global Director of Digital Marketing, Antler

Lindsay DeLarme, Managing Director, Head of Corporate Communications & Branding, Oaktree Capital Management

Mike Duda, Managing Partner, Bullish Inc.

Emily Melchior, Head of Investor Relations, Bansk Group

Courtney Mullin, Senior Manager, Investor Relations & Community, Tidemark

Michele Puopolo, Vice President, Private Investing Marketing Strategist, Wellington Management Courtney Sullivan, Managing Director and Head of Fundraising and Investor Relations, Lightyear Capital

Iris Tomczyk, Head of Marketing & Communications, Edison Partners

## Working group D: The investor experience

- Why is understanding your firm's investor experience so critical for attracting investor prospects and retaining investor partners?
- How can fund managers use marketing funnels to identify and even qualify investors?
- Share ideas about how to shape an investor's entire journey with your firm: from marketing, content, and social media, to hybrid, virtual, and in-person AGMs.

## Moderator: Matt Malone, CEO, Privcap Speakers:

Sheila Dharmarajan, Partner, Head of Investor Relations & Business Development, ZMC
Melissa Greenberg, Head of Investor Relations, North Peak Capital
Priscilla Guevara, Head of Investor Relations, Investment Team & Science Ventures, Science Inc.
Amrita Mainthia, Vice President, Investor Relations, General Catalyst
Alia Rafi, Principal, Investor Relations & Fundraising, FTV Capital
Jennifer Zhu, Principal, Investor Relations, Incline Equity Partners

## 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM Networking break

## 4:30 PM - 5:00 PM Workshops I

- Share best practices, tips & tricks.
- Connect and collaborate with your peers around shared challenges.
- Take part in a lively moderated discussion.

## Workshop A: Pitch deck optimization

- How are GPs using the pitchbook today?
- Should you still use pitchbooks in meetings?
- Learn tactics and strategies are available to enhance the effectiveness of your pitchbook.

## Speakers:

Carolyn Chen Warner, Director of Investor Relations, BRS & Co.

Johanna Doherty, Managing Director, Investor Relations & Marketing, JLL Jon Greene, Managing Director, MJ Hudson

# **Workshop B: Streamlining investor onboarding & adding transparency to your capital raising process**

- How can your firm reduce risk around data collection and transaction management?
- How can my firm improve the investor onboarding experience?
- Learn to reduce the cycle time to receive funding.

## Speaker:

Noreen Crowe, Vice President of Product Development, SS&C Intralinks Brian Finnegan, Senior Business Information Manager, American Securities

## Workshop C: Getting creative with your DDQ

- How do you refresh your firm's approach to crafting winning DDQs?
- What are some ways to add depth to your DDQ?
- Learn how to balance creativity with regulatory compliance

## Speakers:

Natasha Azar, Vice President, Investor Relations & Marketing, University Relations, Osage University Partners

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# Sarah Busch, Principal, Investor Relations, Argosy Capital Dan Sullivan, Sales Executive for the Americas, DiligenceVault

## Workshop D: Marketing to organizations versus individuals

- Can the personal brands of my leadership team materially enhance my organization's brand?
- How can fund managers make mass communications seem personal?
- Learn techniques to leverage individual connections when marketing to organizations.

## Speakers:

**Emila Damjanovic**, Partner, Investor Relations, **Lead Edge Capital Rob Kaufman**, Principal, Head of Investor Relations, **Linse Capital Kimberly Lu**, Vice President, Investor Relations, **Vestar Capital Partners** 

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM Reception

## Day 2 - Thursday, April 20

## 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM Think tanks

Our think tanks are invitation-only gatherings for individual stakeholder groups. Kick off the conference's second day with discussions on critical issues and share learnings with peers in a closed-door setting, with no media, vendors, or service providers in the room.

## Think tank for investor relations & fundraising professionals

• How are investor relations & fundraising professionals coping with such a competitive funding market, rising inflation, and the impacts of other global crises?

## **Speakers:**

Jeff Becker, General Partner, Antler William Craig, Investment Director, Wellington Management Morgan Schmit-Sobeck, Principal, Investor Relations, Clayton, Dubilier & Rice Robyn Slutzky, Partner, Head of Capital Solutions, Arctos Partners

## Think tank for marketing & communications professionals

• How can marketing, branding, and communications professionals continue to add value in the private capital market?

## Speakers:

Kelsey Clute, Vice President, Director of Communications, HCI Equity Partners Pia De Sousa, Director of Marketing, Sun Capital Partners

#### 9:00 AM - 9:15 AM Chair's welcome

## 9:15 AM - 9:50 AM Fireside keynote: Where is your firm on the branding spectrum?

- How do privately held alternative investment firms tell authentic, honest brand stories?
- Is my firm a leader or just keeping up with the Joneses when it comes to DEI, ESG, and impact investing?
- Learn how to adapt your branding and marketing strategy for new sources of capital, (e.g., retail/mass affluent investors, international investors).

## Interviewee: Jennifer Zimmerman, Chief Marketing Officer, General Catalyst Interviewer: Caroline Gibson, Partner, Prosek Partners

#### 9:50 AM - 10:20 AM Networking coffee break

#### 10:20 AM - 10:55 AM Growing your fundraising footprint

- What are the top alternative sources of capital today?
- Fundraising overseas what are the challenges and solutions?
- Learn how to work with placement agents and get the most out of the relationship.

## **Moderator: Sherri Williams**, Partner, Head of Investor Relations & Fundraising, **The Raine Group Speakers:**

Elliot Pasztor, Vice President, Origination, Further Capital Jessica Schmitt, Head of Investor Relations, Arrowroot Capital Jacob Shulman, Director of Investor Relations, Oak Hill Capital Frederick Storz, Managing Director, Investor Relations, Energy Capital Partners

## 10:55 AM - 11:10 AM Networking coffee break

#### 11:10 AM - 11:45 AM Crisis communications

- How have the various crises of the last two years (e.g., the war in Ukraine, rising interest rates, the denominator effect, the cryptocurrency crisis) impacted private market fundraising?
- How can investment managers create proactive crisis communications strategies?
- Get best practices on how to retain investors through crises.

## Moderator: Colin Allodi, Senior Vice President, Institutional Sales, Backstop Solutions Group Speakers:

Jimmy Carrion, Senior Vice President of Investor Relations, Lloyd Jones Alexander Samuelson, Managing Director, Global Head of Media Relations, Neuberger Berman Evan Teiger, Partner, Investor Relations, Foundation Capital

#### 11:45 AM - 12:00 PM Networking break

#### 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM Workshops II

Share best practices, tips, and tricks to collaborate with your peers on shared challenges, and participate in a lively, moderated discussion. Be prepared to learn and contribute to the conversation.

#### Workshop A: Setting an approach to media relations

- Can a good press relations strategy be an asset to support growth as well as manage the firm's reputation?
- What are the best practices for handling press relations challenges?
- Learn about building and promoting your brand through press relations.

#### Speakers:

Brittany Cash, Principal, Co-Head of Corporate Communications, Ares Management Kate McGann, Principal, Corporate Marketing & Communications, Hamilton Lane

#### Workshop B: What do LPs want?

- How have institutional investor priorities changed in the face of the worst fundraising environment since 2008?
- What can you do to retain investors in a highly competitive, cash-constrained market?
- Gain insight into how you can find new fundraising opportunities even when most LPs are already over-allocated.

#### **Speakers:**

Jay Brupbacher, Head of US Investor Relations, Astorg Robyn Slutzky, Partner, Head of Capital Solutions, Arctos Partners Jeff Williams, Chief Strategy Officer, Altvia

#### Workshop C: How to use marketing to close deals

- What can firms do to attract the right kind of founders for your portfolio?
- Can marketing techniques help managers qualify founders as well as attract them?
- Learn what motivates founders today and how to increase your firm's deal flow.

#### **Speakers:**

Kristy DelMuto, Senior Director, Strategic Marketing, LLR Partners Ryan Parker, Chief Marketing Officer & Head of Brand, Trivest

#### Workshop D: International fundraising

- What is driving interest in international capital markets?
- Learn how to tailor your proposal to comply with local regulations and customs.
- What are the challenges and pitfalls of international fundraising?

#### Speaker:

**Elizabeth Lawrence**, Director, Investor Relationships, **American Securities Susan Stella**, Head of Investor Relations and Impact, **Activate Capital** 

## 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM Lunch & close of the conference