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- Koji Sugauchi, Executive Officer General Manager, Fund Management Department, Osaka Shoko Shinkin Bank
- Thomas Swain, Director, Credit Suisse Private Fund Group
- Edward Tong, Managing Director, Head of Private Debt Asia, Partners Group
- *More speakers to be announced soon*

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12 November 2020 | Grand Ballroom, Mandarin Oriental, Tokyo

8.00 Registration and coffee

8.15 Breakfast briefing (by invitation only)

8.50 Welcome from PDI and Chair's opening remarks

9.00 **Opening panel: How will the private debt change in the next cycle?**

- How the landscape for private debt in globe is developing in response to COVID-19?
- What a private credit deal looks like today and over the multiple cycles?
- Are sponsor-backed transactions still appealing and what benefits do they offer private lenders?

9.40 **Keynote presentation: How senior debt fit into an LP portfolio**

- What should LPs aware, in terms of deal structures and extend, when they seek to allocate to private debt
- How can a private debt strategy make the portfolio different for LPs?
- How to effectively diversify geographically and by sector
- When to step out the comfort zone?

10.00 **Keynote panel: Risks vs Yields**

- What GPs and banks do anything to manage and mitigate risk, in terms of country, sector and performance?
- Why banks' involvement still prevalent in debt market and their role in partnership? What role are banks playing in the market today?

- How does the risk-return profile compared in developed and developing regions?
- Risk management: What if pandemics strike again?

10.30 Networking refreshments

11.00 **Middle market lending in Europe and US**

- Major strategies and regions providing maximised returns
- Incentives and deterrents to deploy capital

11.40 **Mezzanine debt**

- What are the criteria affecting the decision-making?
- What LPs should look for when finding a fund manager

12.20 **Collateralised loan obligations and leveraged loans**

- Why CLOs and other structured credit products had drawn Japanese LPs' attention?
- How to avoid risks in the event of a sudden change of economic and market conditions

13.00 Lunch

14.00 **Spotlight feature: Is ESG more important than ever?**

14.20 **Distressed and special situations**

- Where are the opportunities in the enormous market?
- What are factors that accelerate or derail future growth?

14.40 **The seamless solution - hybrid facilities in debt funds**

- Where hybrid facility lies and how this adds into the fund management toolkit
- Why a high ratio of NAV facilities to hybrid facilities in the market
- Benefits by obtaining and using a hybrid facility for open-ended funds

1510 Networking refreshments

1540 **Panel: Where to find uncrowded opportunities in Asia**

- How different managers dealing with opened-end and closed-end vehicle?
- What are the competitive advantages for funds catering to the larger end of the market?
- Opportunities and key challenges ahead for private debt in Asia

16.20 **Panel: Meet the Japanese LPs and gatekeepers**

- Where do Japanese investors find more risk, crowding out and undervalued opportunity?
- What kind of challenges are you facing lately regarding the asset allocations?
- Target returns and risks acceptable and unacceptable on private debts
- The plan to deploy more, same or less capital in the market, in terms of geography, strategy and implementation approach
- How should LPs due diligence private debt managers and when to step in when there is a performance issue?

16.50 **Chairperson's closing remarks**

17.00 **End of forum and Cocktail**

The agenda is subject to change.