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Main Conference Day One

Wednesday 28th November 2012

08.50 Chair's Opening Remarks

09.00 Economic & Market Outlook

- · Macroeconomic forecast
- · Growth forecasts
- On-going sovereign debt issues
- · Analysis of global capital & credit markets
- What will 2013 look like?



09.30

Trevor Williams *Chief Economist*

LLOYDS BANKING GROUP

The European Private Equity Environment

- When will European dealflow return?
- Where can private equity find value?
- Will there be primary buy out opportunities in Europe?
- The future of leverage in PE deals
- Future gazing: the long term outlook for Private Equity



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10.15 Mezzanine Investment Analytics & Portfolio Management

Discover detailed analyses of:

- Return & risk measures for EU & US mezz transactions
- · Position of Mezzanine vs. other Private Equity
- Portfolio Management & Mezzanine as an Asset class



Daniel Schmidt
Managing Partner

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10.45 Networking Coffee Break

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Jon Moulton, Chairman, BETTER CAPITAL

11.15 The Future of Mezzanine Finance

- State of the 2012 mezzanine market
- What has dampened the mezzanine market?
- Where will deal flow come from?
 - new buy outs
 - refinancing
 - restructuring
- Are secondary buyouts as good for mezz as primary buyouts?
- How should mezzanine investments be priced and structured
- Which regions of Europe provide an attractive investment environment?
 - is there any interest in Southern Europe?



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12.00

Robert Ruberton

Senior Portfolio Manager

APOLLO GLOBAL MANAGEMENT

Successfully Raising Mezzanine Funds in a Challenging Fundraising Environment

- Latest fundraising outlook
- Searching for yield: the attractiveness of mezzanine for LPs low yield environment vs high income returns for mezz
- The impact of a funds geographical focus
- The outlook for European focused mezz funds
 are LPs happy with fund commitments in Euros?
- The attractiveness of European focus mezzanine strategies is the market large enough to support such strategies?
- Understanding the attractiveness of US funds
- Which asset classes compete with mezz for investment?
- What type of LP is investing in mezzanine?
- Analysis of the decision process LPs undertake when fund investing



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17.00

14.00 Mezzanine: the Legal View from Below

- The intercreditor: anywhere left to go for mezzanine lenders in Europe?
- U.S. mezzanine: how recent trends may impact European transactions
- Mezzanine structures: have you thought about...?
- Equity co-investments: what you should be looking out for
- European insolvency laws: how partial harmonisation of local European insolvency laws could open up deal opportunities to mezzanine lenders



Michael Crosby
Partner
PROSKAUER

14.30 Mezzanine: An Investors' Market

- · Strong fundamentals
- · Arranger-led model
- Discipline and diligence are critical
- · Attractive risk-adjusted returns

15.00 Networking Coffee Break

Funding SMEs: Growth Capital & Structured Equity

- Filling the void left by the banks
- How large is the opportunity out there?
- How should growth capital be structured?
- Why is growth capital attractive to companies?
- Why is growth capital attractive to investors?



15.30

Theo Dickens
Partner
PREFEQUITY



Partner
MAVEN CAPITAL PARTNERS



Bruce McLaren
Founding Partner

MINORITY CAPITAL PARTNERS



Darren Hart
Head of Growth Capital
SANTANDER



Simon Hirtzel

General Partner & COO

KREOS CAPITAL

16.15 The Rise of Unitranche & its Impact on Mezz

- Helping to simplify the debt structure
- Identifying who uses unitranche loans
 - what type of deals is unitranche suitable?
- · Characteristics of unitranche loans
 - interest rate & pricing
 - call protection
 - leverage levels
 - intercreditor terms
- Understanding the advantages of a unitranche loan
 - for borrowers
 - for lenders
- Will unitranche loans become prevalent?
 - what impact would this have on mezzanine?



Cecile Levi
Head of Private Debt

AXA PRIVATE EQUITY

Opportunities in Mid Market Mezzanine

- Defining the mid market
- · Outlook for mid market mezzanine
- Is there an increased demand for mezzanine?
- Will we see more club deals in the European mid market?
- Comparison between sponsor and sponsorless mid market deals
- · Uses of mid market mezzanine
 - primary private equity
 - refinancing
 - funding gap
- How does pricing compare with the past?
- Typical leverage metrics in today's mid market
- Relative appetite and comparative risk/ return of larger deals v mid market
- Attractiveness and practicalities of co-investment models



David Wilmot

Joint Head of Mezzanine and Private Equity

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17.30

Nick Fenn Partner

BEECHBROOK CAPITAL

The Future of the Wider Leverage Market

- How aggressive will banks be in the upcoming months
- Does a European high yield market truly exist?
 can it finance European transactions, without US?
- Reasons for the lack of predicted opportunities created by the maturity wall
- What is the perfect deal for a leverage buy out financing? - are there any sectors or structures to be avoided?

Stephen Paras *Managing Director*

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18.15 End of Conference & Gala Drinks Reception

Fundraising Summit

Thursday 29th November 2012

09.15 Chair's Opening Remarks

LP Allocations & Fundraising: Data & 09.30 Research

- · Historic Fundraising
- · Mezzanine Fundraising by Region Focus
- Mezzanine: Funds on the Road
- Attracting Institutional Investors
- · What makes Mezzanine an Attractive Investment for LPs?



10.10

Etienne Paresys Head of Research **PREQIN**

LP Commitments to Mezzanine Funds

- Do LPs have sufficient capacity to continue investing in Mezzanine
- What are the most attractive areas for LPs over the next two
- · How have investment strategies and criteria changed?
- · Understanding whether a lack of distributions has impacted LP ability to invest in Mezzanine
- Is mezzanine an attractive investment proposition?



James Newsome Managing Partner **AVEBURY CAPITAL PARTNERS**



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11.30

Marco Natoli **Principal** EIF

Tom Beggren

11.00 Networking Coffee Break

Investing in the Wider Private Debt Market

- · What strategies make the wider private debt market?
 - growth debt
 - secondary leveraged loans
 - Unitranche strategies
 - high yield
- · Comparative risk/reward ratios & return expectations
- Building a wider private debt portfolio
- Which strategies are currently the most attractive to LP's?
- Geographical variance between Europe, US & ROW
- What will be Mezz Funds role in a wider private debt
- Finding the right GP's for a wider private debt portfolio



David Waxman Managing Director **AZLA ADVISORS**



Nick Shaw Head of Private Equity

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY ENDOWMENT



Tobias Ripka Principal **MERCER**

What do LPs Look for in an Investment 12.15 Partner?

- Understanding how LPs should differentiate between GPs
- · How can GPs stand out
- · What are the key features LPs should look for in a fund
- Examining the impact the following variations have on LP commitments
 - geography
 - sector focus
 - experience / track record
 - fees



Alexandre Alfonsi Managing Partner **AXONIA PARTNERS**

13.00 Lunch

14.45

Terms & Conditions: Fundraising in a 14.15 **Challenging Environment**

- · Marketing and achieving closing
- Survey of principal terms
- · Legal and regulatory changes
- · Special issues for mezzanine funds

Mezzanine Opportunities in Frontier Markets

- Impact of recent economic events on emerging markets
- Comparison of pricing & structure in different markets
- In which sectors are there attractive investments to be made
- Analysis of the different levels of protection / security in different markets
- Identifying upcoming opportunities



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Thomas Spring Managing Partner **SYNTAXIS**



Chris Buckle Managing Partner **MEZZANINE MANAGEMENT**



Warren van der Merwe **CFO**

VANTAGE CAPITAL

Placement Agent's Insight 15.30

- Successfully raising funds
- Identifying prospective LPs
- What do GPs have to demonstrate to secure desired funds?
- How to stand out compared to other funds



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