

# New York Forum

New York Hilton Midtown | September 17-18

## Meet our industry giants

**Tia Malhotra** 

Managing Director Golub Capital

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The 11<sup>th</sup> annual **Private Debt Investor New York Forum** is **North America's leading private debt investing event dedicated to America's investors and leading fund managers.** The Forum aims to connect institutional investors, family offices and private debt fund managers to emerging private debt investment opportunities.



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### September 17, 2024 (Tuesday)

### 8:25 PEI Welcome

Speaker: Erin Wolfe, Global Head of Production & Strategy, Private Debt, PEI

8:30 PDI's welcome remarks and introduction Event chair: Michelle Noyes, Managing Director, Head of Americas, AIMA

## 8:40 The Road Ahead: Trends and Outlook in Private Credit

- Is it a lender or borrower's market?
- BSL vs. private solutions: where are we in the cycle of relative attractiveness for borrowers?
- Deal opportunities & risks in focus

Underwriting for resilience

#### Moderator:

Fran Beyers, Portfolio Manager, Cliffwater **Speakers:** 

Tia Malhotra, Managing Director, Golub Capital Grishma Parekh, Managing Director, HPS Investment Partners

## 9:20 Panel: Assessing the macro environment for private credit in 2025

- What monetary policy changes are coming out of the Fed and how can investors and managers be better prepared for these? What changes are anticipated in the upcoming elections and how will this impact investments?
- What are the expected changes coming to the private credit sector in the next five years?
- What are the current market conditions in the leveraged finance market?
- How are the role of investment banks continuing to evolve?

## Moderator:

Michael Mezzacappa, Partner, Proskauer **Speakers:** Akila Grewal, Partner, Client and Product Solutions, Apollo Kevin Magid, President, Audax Private Debt Craig Noble, Chief Executive Officer, Credit, Brookfield

Oliver Thym, Partner, Thoma Bravo

## 10:00 Panel: Finding value: an LP perspective

- Where are allocators finding the most qualified opportunities?
- Is the return on private credit investments attracting new investors to the asset class?
- What strategies are providing the most attractive returns for investors?

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### Moderator:

Richard Melville, Editorial Director, U.S., PEI Group **Speakers:** Jennie Benza, Private Markets, GE Pension Matt Lisonbee, Associate Portfolio Manager, CalSTRS Amir Madden, Senior Portfolio Manager - Alternative Credits, APG Asset Management

Doug Porter, Managing Director, MainePERS

### 10:40 Networking Break

## 11:10 Panel: Direct lending and beyond

- How are risk-adjusted returns being affected due to inflation and changing interest rates?
- Where is the most value creation?
- With increasing competition in the market, how are managers differentiating themselves?

#### Moderator:

Stelios Saffos, Partner, Latham & Watkins

## Speakers:

Pierre-Antoine de Selancy, Managing Partner, 17Capital

Jamal Hagler, Vice President of Research, American Investment Council

Mathew Linett, Head of Senior Lending, Churchill Asset Management

Tim Lower, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Investment Officer, Willow Tree Credit Partners

Kevin Griffin, Founder & CIO, MGG Investment Group

## 11:50 Panel: Opportunistic credit & distressed debt at the forefront

- Where are there differences between opportunistic or distressed credit, and special situations?
- How is opportunistic and distressed credit combating market dislocation? What are the trends in rescue finance and balance sheet restructuring?
- Where are there areas of opportunity to enhance investment returns and increase portfolio diversification?
- How much capital is being raised for these strategies and what is the LP appetite?

## Moderator:

Vincent Indelicato, Partner, Proskauer

## Speakers:

Richard Grimm, Managing Director, Cambridge Associates

Vincent Kravec, Managing Director, Commonfund

Robert Petrini, Global Chief Investment Officer for Private Credit, Blackstone Credit & Insurance (BXCI)

David Trucano, Managing Director, BlackRock

## 12:30 Panel: Differences and similarities for private & public markets

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- What are the key changes in private credit & fixed income going into 2025 and what are best ways account for these changes?
- How is interest rate risk and volatility affecting both investment strategies?
- Where is the dry powder in these strategies being deployed?

## Moderator:

Gabriel Yomi Dabiri, Private Credit and Cross-Border Finance Leader and Managing Partner, Polsinelli

## Speakers:

Cathy DiSalvo, Portfolio Manager, CalSTRS Josh Lafer, Head of Portfolio Insights, Blackstone Credit & Insurance (BXCI) Bill Sacher, Partner and Head of Private Credit, Adams Street Helena Wang, Principal, Capital Solutions Group, CPP Investments

## 1:10 Lunch

## Afternoon sessions:

## **Break-out Sessions**

2.40 Breakeut Session A. Spesialty nicks	2:10 Breakout Session B: Middle market
2:10 Breakout Session A: Specialty niche	
private credit	direct lending opportunities
<ul> <li>What is the benefit for investors to</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>What is the outlook for the market and</li> </ul>
invest in smaller, specialty funds that	are firms favouring middle market or
focus on niche transactions?	lower middle market opportunities?
<ul> <li>What are the key advantages to structuring these kinds of deals?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>How are mezzanine financing and senior debt loans currently providing</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>With stringent covenants and structuring</li> </ul>	liquidity?
flexibility, how is this affecting overall	<ul> <li>What role are BDC's currently playing?</li> </ul>
returns?	What alpha is being generated by
How is the balance between sponsored	investors?
vs. non-sponsored loans changing?	Moderator:
Moderator:	Kristen Campana, Partner, Morgan Lewis &
Shamafa Khan, Managing Director, Marketing	Bockius
and Investor Relations, Crayhill Capital	Speakers:
Management	Elise Ablin, Director, Private Credit, Cresset
Speakers:	Partners
Michael Felman, President and Chief Executive	Carolyn Hastings, Partner, Bain Capital Credit
Officer, MSF Capital Advisors	Antonella Napolitano, Managing Director of
Douglas Monticciolo, Chief Executive Officer,	Investor Relations, Deerpath
Chief Investment Officer, and Co-Founder,	Tina Suo, Head of Alternative Credit, New York
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Aaron Kless, Chief Executive Officer and Chief	
Investment Officer, Andalusian Credit Partners	
2:50 Breakout Session A: Innovations in	2:50 Breakout Session B: Private debt
private credit	infrastructure & the energy transition
<ul> <li>Where are the innovations in private credit coming from?</li> <li>How are AI and machine learning changing the way investments are made and reported? Why are technological changes becoming so important?</li> <li>What changes are managers making to continue to cater to complex fund structures?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>How is infrastructure debt being considered throughout investment strategies?</li> <li>How are managers differentiating themselves?</li> <li>How is our macro environment affecting how the industry views the energy transition?</li> <li>Where are the opportunities for value-creation?</li> </ul>
Moderator:	Moderator:
Barry Wilson, Managing Director, FIRSTavenue	Zak Bentley, Senior Reporter, Infrastructure
Speakers:	Investor
Daniel Liechtenstein, CEO and Co-Founder,	Speakers:
Hypercore	Don Dimitrievich, Portfolio Manager, Senior
Tingting Zhang, Founder and Chief Executive	Managing Director, Energy Infrastructure Credit,
Officer, The TerraCotta Group	Nuveen
Demetry Zilberg, Chief Technology Officer, alterDomus	George Fikaris, Managing Director, EnTrust Global
	Amit Dutta, Senior Portfolio Manager, IMCO
	Manish Taneja, Deputy Global Head of
	Infrastructure Credit, Carlyle
	Eric Wittleder, Managing Director, Infrastructure,
	Brookfield

## 3:30 Networking Break

4:00 Breakout Session A: Success for emerging managers			4:00 Breakout Session B: Changes in real estate debt
	strategies?	s for managers rket? ys to differentiating trategies or regions	<ul> <li>What are the key pressure points when investing in commercial real estate today?</li> <li>How are changes in the macroeconomic outlook influencing commercial and non-commercial markets?</li> </ul>
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Kenneth Saffold, Co-Founder and Managing Partner, o15 Capital Partners	<ul> <li>What are the political and regulatory issues impacting the real estate debt market?</li> </ul>
Speakers:	
Anna Dayn, Managing Director, New End	Moderator:
Kerstin Dittmar, Managing Partner, L2 Point	Samantha Rowan, Editor, PERE Credit
Greg Myers, Group Sector Head, Debt & Capital	Speakers:
Markets, alterDomus	Isabelle Brennan, Senior Managing Director,
	Product Specialist – Credit and Global Solutions,
	LaSalle
	Dan Contardi, Executive Managing Director,
	Locust Point Capital
	Brendan Shanahan, Managing Director, Slate
	Asset Management

## 4:40 Panel: Getting deals done during challenging times

- How are structures and deal terms evolving in the state of the current market?
- How has your underwriting process changed during these economic times?
- What industries should we focus on or avoid at this stage?
- How are different jurisdictions and geography creating challenges and opportunities?

## Moderator:

William Brady, Partner, Akin Gump

## Speakers:

Patrick Hartman, Managing Director, Global Private Finance, Barings

Nikhil Krishnan, Managing Director. Neuberger Berman

Joe McCurdy, Senior Managing Director and Head of Origination, Guggenheim Investments Garrett Stephen, Senior Managing Director and Co-Head of Origination, First Eagle Investments Leslie Vargas, Head of Portfolio Management, Resolution Life

## 5:20 An LP perspective: a discussion with Steven Meier, New York City Comptroller's Bureau of Asset Management

- Where are investors looking in the next stages of technology? How is AI playing a role in investment cycles?
- How is concentration risk and valuation disparity between the US and the rest of the world affecting market valuations?
- How are firms addressing an ongoing concern for the level of US debt? Where are fiscal developments vs macroeconomic developments coming into play?
- For an in-depth analysis, what is the New York City's Comptroller's Bureau of Asset Management doing differently to address the above concerns?

## Speakers:

Steven Meier, Chief Investment Officer and Deputy Comptroller, New York City Comptroller's Bureau of Asset Management

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Andy Thomson, Senior Editor, Private Debt Investor

### 6:00 Cocktail Reception & Roundtables

#### **Roundtable Discussions**

Description: Join us for our first ever networking roundtables before our reception where we will cover some of the latest content in private credit and invite you to have dynamic discussions and meet with your peers. Topics coming soon!

#### Speakers:

Zak Bentley, Senior Reporter, Infrastructure Investor - Investing in infrastructure credit
Graham Bippart, Senior Editor, Private Funds CFO - Changing regulatory and compliance standards within private credit
Nicole Byrns, Independent Investor - The ins and outs of asset-based finance
Harrison Connery, Senior Reporter, PEI Group - The future of real estate credit
Oliver Noye, Head of New York, PER - Let's get the best, diverse, junior talent into private credit
Hart Orenstein, Principal, Private Credit, Pantheon Ventures
Andy Thomson, Senior Editor, Private Debt Investor

#### End of Day 1

## September 18, 2024 (Wednesday)

#### 8:00 Investor-only networking breakfast sponsored by Carlyle

Facilitator: Akhil Bansal, Managing Director, Head of Credit Strategic Solutions, Carlyle

Akhil Bansal, Head of Carlyle Asset-Backed Finance, will lead a broad discussion on the asset-backed finance segment including a market environment overview and the investment opportunity.

Exclusive for LPs, peer to peer discussions focused on the latest trends facing LPs. Facilitators represent institutional investors and family offices respectively. Please RSVP to <u>erin.wolfe@pei.group</u>

## 9:00 Welcome remarks from Chair Event chair: Michelle Noyes, Managing Director, Head of Americas, AIMA

9:05 Presentation from PDI Data Team Speaker:

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Daniel Humphrey Rodriguez, Head of Private Markets Research, PEI Group

## 9:15 Panel: Mastering deal origination

- How are firms changing how they originate deals?
- How are fees playing a role in the origination process? Why are fees becoming a competitive factor?
- What research tools are the most applicable for deal origination in 2025?
- How are origination capabilities setting managers apart in a borrower's eyes and what sourcing capabilities are they utilizing to scale and expand strategies?

### Moderator:

Peter Plaut, Managing Director, KingsRock Advisors **Speakers:** Raymond Chan, Partner, Atalaya Thomas Cockburn, Senior Director, Private Debt, CDPQ

Jonathan Pearl, Head of Origination, Lord Abbett

## 9:55 Panel: Growth of niche strategies in specialty finance

- How does performance vary between niche, specialty finance and direct lending strategies? How are we measuring the success of niche strategies?
- How are LPs balancing exposure to these strategies in their investment portfolios?
- What are the keys to differentiating one strategy from another when looking to make new investments?

#### Moderator:

Chandini Jain, Chief Executive Officer, Auquan

## Speakers:

Luke Düster, Chief Investment Officer, CRG

Mike Fang, Senior Portfolio Manager, Maryland State Retirement and Pension System Avi Korn, Managing Director, Co-Head of Asset Based Finance Group, KKR Eric Newman, Treasury Manager, City of Stamford

## 10:35 Panel: Emerging trends in asset-based lending

- How has the market developed and what types of investments are gaining traction given changes in the macroeconomic landscape?
- Where is asset-based lending trending over traditional direct lending vehicles and is this a trend we will continue to see in the future?
- Where are the emerging areas of value creation for asset-based lending?
- How are different types of collateral used for asset-based deals?
- How has this strategy been impacted by the current macroeconomic environment?

#### Moderator:

Ruth Yang, Managing Director, Global Head of Private Market Analytics, S&P Global

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### Speakers:

Soyoun Ahn, Managing Director, Credit and Hybrid Solutions, Temasek Akhil Bansal, Managing Director, Head of Credit Strategic Solutions, Carlyle Isaiah Toback, Partner & Deputy CIO, Castlelake

### 11:15 Networking Break

### 11:45 Panel: Finding liquidity through NAV financing

- How are GPs using NAV finance and structured products to create distributions for investors?
- Are LPs utilizing NAV financing to work through overallocation concerns?
- How are GPs & LPs looking at performance of funds which include NAV finance?

#### Moderator:

Graham Bippart, Senior Editor, Private Funds CFO

### Speakers:

Sara Casey, Director, NAV Lending, AB Private Credit Investors

Greg Hardiman, Partner, 17Capital

Lori Pomerantz, Managing Director, Partners Group

Richard Wheelahan, Managing Director & Co-Founder, Fund Finance Partners

## 12:25 An economist's viewpoint: a discussion with Thomas Holzheu of Swiss Re

- What expectations are coming from the Federal Reserve and where are we looking beyond the start of the cutting cycle?
- What's next for the business cycle? How are firms anticipating mixed signals about the strength of the economy?
- What happens to long-term yields and the yield curve as the policy cycle normalizes?
- How much does the election matter for the outlook? What are the other risks to the outlook?

#### Speakers:

Mary Kathleen Flynn, Editor-in-Chief, PE Hub, PEI Thomas Holzheu, Chief Economist Americas, Swiss Re Institute

#### 1:05 Lunch

### End of Day 2

\*All agenda items are subject to change.



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