

European Leveraged Finance Association Appoints Five New Board Members

July 2nd 2024, London The European Leveraged Finance Association (ELFA) is delighted to announce the appointment of Cathy Braganza, Simon Duff, Roman Gaiser, Adil Khan and Rob Reynolds as new members of its Board, joining on 1st July.

They will replace Rebecca Clements of Fidelity, Deborah Cohen Malka of AlbaCore Capital and Scarlett De Posson of M&G Investments who have all completed their terms on the Board.

Cathy Braganza, Co-Manager of High Yield Strategies, at Insight Investment and a Senior Portfolio Manager within the European High Yield and Loans Team. Cathy joined Insight in 2012 and has extensive experience in leveraged finance, ranging from the trading floor at an investment bank to working with pension fund, wholesale and retail investors, and is an advocate of the benefits of the leverage markets both to investors and borrowers.

Simon Duff, Co-Head of European Corporate Credit Research, M&G Investments. Simon covers the US, European, and Emerging Markets TMT sectors. He has over 20 years' experience as a credit analyst covering both investment grade and high yield credits with experience of both bonds and leveraged loans. Simon also serves on the Investment Association's Fixed Income committee.

Roman Gaiser, Head of Fixed Income, EMEA, at Columbia Threadneedle Investments. Roman previously led Portfolio Management for High Yield at Columbia Threadneedle Investments before taking up his current role in 2021. He is an experienced Portfolio Manager in European High Yield and Credit, including a track-record of successful business-building and development. He holds degrees in Economics, Business Management, and International Economics and Finance.

Adil Khan, Director, Compliance - EMEA and APAC, Muzinich & Co. Adil has worked in Regulatory Compliance since 2015, joining Muzinich in 2018. He supports overseeing the Compliance Programme across multiple regions, including regulatory and policy matters, AML/KYC, and compliance training. He is also a member of a number of regulatory committees within Muzinich. Adil is also Co-Chair of ELFA's Engagement Committee. He holds advanced degrees in Law and is a non-practising barrister under the English and Welsh Bar.

Rob Reynolds, Managing Director, Head of CLO, Pemberton Asset Management. Rob has been a key player in leveraged finance, contributing to the start-up and relaunch of multiple CLO platforms. With a strong focus on sustainability and technology in finance, he mentors young professionals and holds advanced degrees in Mathematics, Business, and Finance.

Sabrina Fox, CEO at ELFA commented: "I want to thank Rebecca, Deborah and Scarlett for their valuable contribution and commitment to ELFA – their efforts to support our mission to create a stronger, more resilient leverage finance market are deeply appreciated. I look forward to working alongside Adil, Cathy, Rob, Roman and Simon as new members of the Board as we continue to empower ELFA members' ability to do invest on behalf of their clients, which requires strong transparency, engagement and disclosure, which is what our organisation is working hard to achieve."

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About ELFA

ELFA is a trade association comprised of European leveraged finance investors from over 60 institutional fixed income managers, including investment advisers, insurance companies, and pension funds. ELFA seeks to support the growth and resilience of the leveraged finance market while acting as the voice of its investor community by promoting transparency and facilitating engagement among European leveraged finance market participants. For more information, please visit ELFA's website: www.elfainvestors.com.