

# Distressed Debt Investor Forum 2014

## Maximising Returns & Restructuring for Recovery when Investing in Distressed Debt & Special Situations

### Special Focus on Distressed Strategies

- Opportunities in **Southern Europe**
- **Hedge Funds** & Distressed Trading
- Opportunities in **Real Estate**
- **Private Equity** & Distressed for Control

Wednesday 12th & Thursday 13th  
November 2014, London



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**Day One - Wednesday 12th November 2014**

09.10

*Chair's Opening Remarks*

**Tony Groom, CEO, K2 PARTNERS**



Tony Groom

09.20

**Current Macroeconomic Overview:  
Economic Trends and their Impact on Distressed Investing**

- Current macro picture across Europe
- Where is credit now?
- Prospects for growth and returns in 2015 & beyond

**Trevor Williams, Chief Economist, LLOYDS CORPORATE BANK**



Trevor Williams

10.00

**Distressed Market Overview**

- Where will the opportunities for distressed investment come from?
- Successful distressed debt investment strategies & profiting from the defaults
- Current factors influencing the distressed debt market
- Considering which layers of debt to buy into
- Which debt instruments are the most attractive in the current market?
- What level of return are investors expecting?
- Where are investors accessing capital to support their transactions?

**Stuart Mathieson, Managing Director, BABSON CAPITAL EUROPE**

**Ahmed Hamadi, Managing Director, BAYSIDE CAPITAL**

**Alexandra Jung, Partner, OAK HILL CAPITAL**



Stuart Mathieson



Ahmed Hamadi



Alexandra Jung

10.50

Networking Coffee Break

11.20

**Distressed Strategies: Hedge Funds & Distressed Trading**

- Current distressed credit strategies
- The European opportunity
- Investing in various distressed instruments
- Looking at loan to own and working with the distressed business
- The pipeline of non-core asset disposals

**Khing Oei, Managing Partner, EYCK CAPITAL**

**Karim El Khoury, President, CONTRARIAN CAPITAL EUROPEAN ADVISORS**

**Louis Gargour, Managing Partner, LNG CAPITAL**



Khing Oei



Karim El Khoury



Louis Gargour

12.10

## Distressed Strategies: Private Equity & Distressed for Control

- Distressed opportunities for private equity investors
- Which markets to invest in?
- Where to invest in the capital structure?
- Identifying sources of deal flow
- Assessing current valuations
- Managing reduced liquidity vs higher returns

**Benjamin Buerstedde**, *Principal*, **SUN EUROPEAN PARTNERS**

**Tony Groom**, *CEO*, **K2 PARTNERS**



Benjamin Buerstedde



Tony Groom

13.00

Lunch

14.20

## SPECIAL FOCUS: Southern Europe

- Current trends in debt restructurings
- Where are the investment opportunities?
- Investor protections and insolvency regime
- The role of local banks
- Downgrading of corporate debt
- Pricing of debt- have we reached the bottom?

**Pedro Acien**, *Managing Director*, **ARGANZUELA CAPITAL**

**Nick Corby**, *CIO*, **ANCA CAPITAL**

**Luis Martin**, *Partner*, **ABENCYS**

**Alejandro Vide**, *Managing Director*, **COHEN & CO**



Pedro Acien



Nick Corby



Luis Martin

15.10

Networking Coffee Break

15.40

## Distressed Strategies: Opportunities in Real Estate

- Analysis of what's happened in real estate and where are we today
- Strategies for acquiring NPL portfolios from deleveraging banks
- Why is real estate different?
- How does this impact restructuring strategies?
- Considering what borrowers, lenders and other market participants are doing?
- What does the future hold?
- CMBS opportunities & problems

**Bill Hancock**, *Managing Partner*, **RESOLUTE ASSET MANAGEMENT**



Bill Hancock

16.20

## Best Practice when Valuing Distressed Assets

- Analysis of the impact the current market has had on valuations
- Challenges of valuing a company whose primary customers are also experiencing severe economic distress
- Allowing for the impact of distress and that impact on market value
- Practical issues of valuing distressed business and debt
- Which strategies produce the best valuations?

**Mike Thornton**, *Partner, Head of Valuations*, **GRANT THORNTON**



Mike Thornton

17.00

End of Day One

**Day Two - Thursday 13th November 2014**

09.40 Chair's Opening Remarks

09.50 **Distressed Opportunities: Which Sector?**

- Identifying which sectors are providing the most attractive opportunities for distressed investors
  - retail
  - financial services
  - consumer
  - others
- Average returns
- Outlook for future investment

**Richard Thompson**, Partner, **PwC**



Richard Thompson

10.40 **Acquiring NPL Portfolios**

- Which sectors will banks be looking at selling loans from?
- How to identify which portfolios of non-performing loans will offer the best investment?
- Attracting investors to the non-performing loan market

**Martin Drazsky**, Managing Partner, **REFORM CAPITAL PARTNERS**



Martin Drazsky

11.20 Networking Coffee Break

11.50 **Investing in Emerging Market Distressed**

- Impact of recent economic events on emerging markets
- Understanding the emerging market distressed opportunity
- 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
- Protecting your investment in frontier markets

**Parham Pouladdej**, Managing Partner, **EMSA CAPITAL**

**Andrew Chappell**, Managing Partner, **EXOTIX**

**Igor Zax**, Founder, **TENZOR**



Parham Pouladdej



Andrew Chappell



Igor Zax

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**Angela Nobel, AXA IM**

*"Intriguing content and speakers"*

**Alex Lim, Lion Global Investors**

12.40

### Alternative Strategies: Looking Beyond Corporate Debt

- Opportunities in alternative distressed
  - structured credit
  - covered bonds
  - shipping loans
  - regional government debt
- Understanding how to access these markets

13.20

Lunch

14.30

### High Yield Bond Market Update

- Current high yield market
  - is it now permanently open?
- The growth of high yield issuance
  - refinancing through high yield
- Identifying upcoming default levels
- What are the growth areas for high yield?
- The secondary market for high yield bonds

15.10

### Distressed Trading & the Secondary Market

- What are the current market strategies?
- What default rates and recovery rates are expected in the market?
- Technical trading factors to expect, that affect the European stressed and distressed debt markets
- How do the primary and secondary markets interact?
- Addressing the challenges in trading debt across borders?
- Trading and valuing distressed derivatives

**Mahmoud Atalla**, *Managing Director, HSBC*



Mahmoud Atalla

15.45

### Debt Renegotiations

- Current debt renegotiation strategies
  - disposals / breakups
  - debt buybacks
  - new money
  - amend and extend
- Impact of increased M&A activity on renegotiation strategy
- The role of the courts in renegotiations

**Henry Nicholson**, *Partner, DELOITTE*



Henry Nicholson

16.15

End of Conference & Afternoon Coffee

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