



## **AGENDA**

### **RETIREMENT BOARD MEETING**

#### REGULAR MEETING

September 23, 2020, 9:00 a.m.

The Board of Retirement meeting will be accessible telephonically at +1 (224) 501-3412, access code 303-229-293 due to the Contra Costa County and State of California Coronavirus (COVID-19) Shelter In Place Orders, and as permitted by Executive Order N-29-20 issued on March 17, 2020.

Persons who wish to make public comment may submit their comment to [publiccomment@cccera.org](mailto:publiccomment@cccera.org) on the day of the meeting, either before or during the meeting. Public comments are limited to any item of interest to the public that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board of Retirement. (Gov't Code Section 54954.3(a).) All comments submitted will be included in the record of the meeting. The comments will be read into the record at the meeting, subject to a three-minute time limit per comment.

#### THE RETIREMENT BOARD MAY DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:

1. Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll Call.
3. Accept comments from the public.
4. Approve minutes from the August 26, 2020 meeting.
5. Review of private credit.
  - a. Presentation from staff
  - b. Presentation from StepStone
6. Review of report on Risk Diversifying Sub-portfolio.
7. Risk tolerance report.
8. Consider and take possible action to authorize the CEO to execute a contract with ICON Integration and Design, Inc. for data cleansing services.

The Retirement Board will provide reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities planning to attend Board meetings who contact the Retirement Office at least 24 hours before a meeting.

9. Appointment of ad hoc advisory committee to review the Chief Executive Officer compensation package.
10. Consider authorizing the attendance of Board:
  - a. NCPERS Fall Conference, September 29-30, 2020, Virtual.
  - b. CALAPRS Trustees Round Table, October 23, 2020, Virtual.
  - c. Portfolio Risk in a Post-COVID World, GlobalARC Interactive, October 26-28, 2020, Virtual.
11. Miscellaneous
  - a. Staff Report
  - b. Outside Professionals' Report
  - c. Trustees' comments



**RETIREMENT BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

REGULAR MEETING  
August 26, 2020  
9:00 a.m.

The Board of Retirement meeting will be accessible telephonically at (408) 650-3123, access code 508-462-629 due to the Contra Costa County and State of California Coronavirus (COVID-19) Shelter In Place Orders, and as permitted by Executive Order N-29-20 issued on March 17, 2020.

**1. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Board and staff joined in the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

**2. Roll Call**

Present: Candace Andersen, Donald Finley, Scott Gordon, Jerry Holcombe, Louie Kroll, Jay Kwon, David MacDonald, John Phillips, William Pigeon, Mike Sloan, Todd Smithey and Russell Watts

Absent: None

Staff: Gail Strohl, Chief Executive Officer; Christina Dunn, Deputy Chief Executive Officer; Timothy Price, Chief Investment Officer; Karen Levy, General Counsel; Wrally Dutkiewicz, Compliance Officer; Anne Sommers, Administrative/HR Manager; Henry Gudino, Accounting Manager; Tim Hoppe, Retirement Services Manager; and Jasmine Lee, Member Services Manager

Outside Professional Support: Representing:

Harvey Leiderman	Reed Smith LLC
Andy Yeung	Segal Company
Scott Whalen	Verus Investments
Stuart Odell	Verus Investments

**3. Accept comments from the public**

No member of the public offered comment.

**4. Approval of Minutes**

It was **M/S/C** to approve the minutes from the July 22, 2020 meeting. (Yes: Andersen, Finley, Gordon, Holcombe, Kroll, MacDonald, Phillips, Smithey and Watts)

It was the consensus of the Board to move to Item 6.

**6. Consider and take possible action regarding East Contra Costa Fire Protection District's request to depool cost group #8**

a. Presentation from Segal – Andy Yeung

Yeung provided a summary of the August 12, 2020 Board meeting presentation on ECCFPD's request to depool cost group #8 effective with the December 31, 2019 actuarial valuation.

b. Comments from East Contra Costa Fire Protection District

Chief Helmick provided comments and addressed concerns raised by the CCCERA Board.

c. Comments from Contra Costa County Fire Protection District

Chief Broschard provided comments and addressed concerns raised by the CCCERA Board.

d. Board consideration and possible action regarding the East Contra Costa Fire Protection District's request to depool cost group #8

Joe Young, ECCFPD Board member, commented on their plans to increase the size of their district and spoke in favor of depooling cost group #8, based on liabilities, starting with the December 31, 2019 actuarial valuation.

After a discussion, it was **M/S/C** to approve the request from the East Contra Costa Fire Protection District to depool from cost group #8 based on the actuarial accrued liability method effective with the December 31, 2019 valuation. (Yes: Andersen, Finley, Gordon, Holcombe, Kroll, MacDonald, Phillips, Smithey and Watts)

**CLOSED SESSION**

**5. The Board moved into closed session pursuant to Govt. Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).**

Trustee MacDonald recused himself from this item and was no longer present for subsequent discussion and voting.

There was no reportable action related to Govt. Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), *Contra Costa County Deputy Sheriffs Association, et al., v. Board of Retirement of CCCERA, et al.*, Supreme Court of the State of California, Case No. S247095.

The Board moved into open session.

**7. Review of total portfolio performance for period ending June 30, 2020**

a. Presentation from Verus

Whalen reviewed CCCERA's investment fund performance for the period ending June 30, 2020.

Andersen was no longer present for subsequent discussion and voting.

b. Presentation from staff

Price reviewed CCCERA's sub-portfolios noting CCCERA's Total Fund is performing as expected, exhibiting returns above expectations for the amount of risk taken.

**8. Review of portfolio rebalancing report**

Price reviewed the portfolio rebalancing report.

**9. Miscellaneous**

(a) Staff Report –

Strohl reported the annual member benefit statements were mailed out last week.

Price reported that the StepStone Group has filed an S-1 Form with the SEC to go public. He reported they will be present at the Board meeting in September to speak about the private credit program and again in November to review the pacing analysis for private equity. He noted they will be available at both meetings to answer any questions the Board may have regarding them going public.

(b) Outside Professionals' Report -

None

(c) Trustees' comments –

Sloan reported on the SACRS Public Pension Investment Management Program through the UC Berkeley Haas School of Business that he attended virtually and felt it was very informative.

MacDonald reported he also participated in the SACRS Public Pension Investment Management Program and felt it was better than he expected. He also virtually attended his first SACRS Board meeting on August 25, 2020.

Smithy reported there is an Audit Committee meeting following this meeting.

It was **M/S/C** to adjourn the meeting. (Yes: Finley, Gordon, Holcombe, Kroll, Kwon, MacDonald, Phillips, Smithey and Watts)

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Todd Smithey, Chairman

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David MacDonald, Secretary

*Meeting Date*  
**09/23/20**  
*Agenda Item*  
**#5a.**



Rishi Garbharran  
Investment Officer

# Private Credit Overview

September 23, 2020

# Overview

- CCCERA Private Credit Program
- Defining Private Credit
- History & Evolution of the Private Credit Market
- Direct Lending Overview

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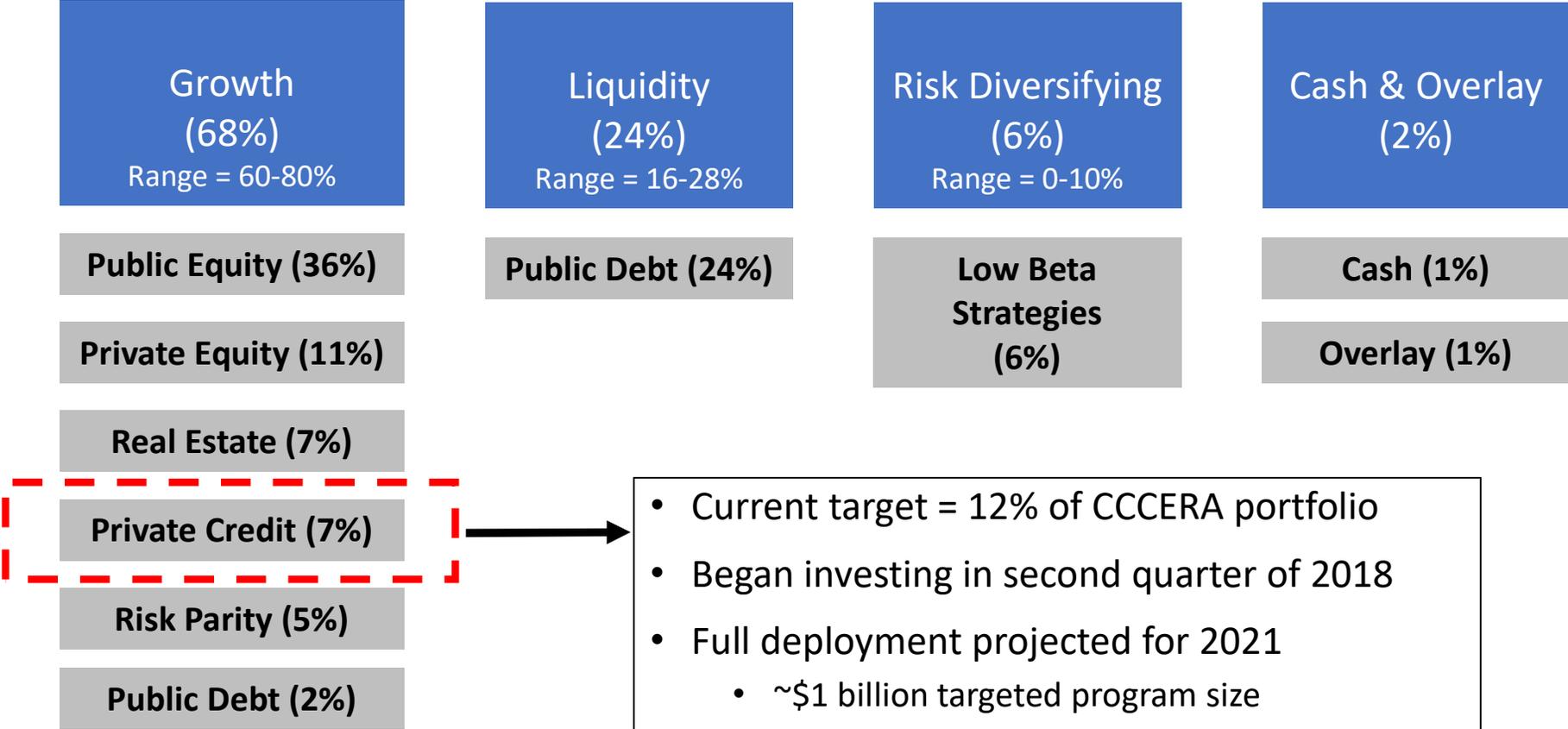
# CCCERA Private Credit Program

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# Role of Private Credit in CCCERA Portfolio

## CCCERA Total Portfolio (100%)



- Current target = 12% of CCCERA portfolio
- Began investing in second quarter of 2018
- Full deployment projected for 2021
  - ~\$1 billion targeted program size
- Long-term return target = 10% net IRR
- Lower historical volatility than equity



# CCCERA Private Credit Program – Key Participants

## CCCERA

**Provides advice to Stepstone related to portfolio construction and strategy analysis**

## Stepstone

**Manages CCCERA's Private Credit Program – including portfolio management/monitoring, top-down strategy identification/selection, and bottom-up investment manager evaluation**

## Investment Managers

**Source, evaluate, execute, and monitor private credit investments primarily within separately managed accounts or commingled (private equity style) drawdown funds**



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# Defining Private Credit

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# Defining Private Credit



...private credit means a lot of different things to different people...it's held by locked up vehicles. It's not liquid. You can't trade it. You buy it, you own it...



...is really lending with some degree of control...it includes an element on the origination side rather than participating in a widely distributed transaction...



...a lot of what defines private credit is simply terminology...for us private credit is...not liquid, not traded, not quoted, not rated...



...the asset class is very wide... ranges from primary lending to more alternative strategies like the more junior or mezzanine-type of products...



...typically debt investments that are not provided by banks...and are not issued or traded on an open market...



...privately originated, privately negotiated and with a view that we are going to own these assets or own the loans until maturity...



...anything that is directly negotiated with the borrower and is probably unrated...



...the definition of private credit I think is probably anything that is non-bank lending (in the widest form)...

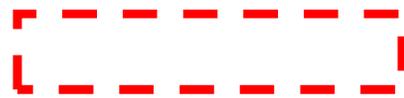
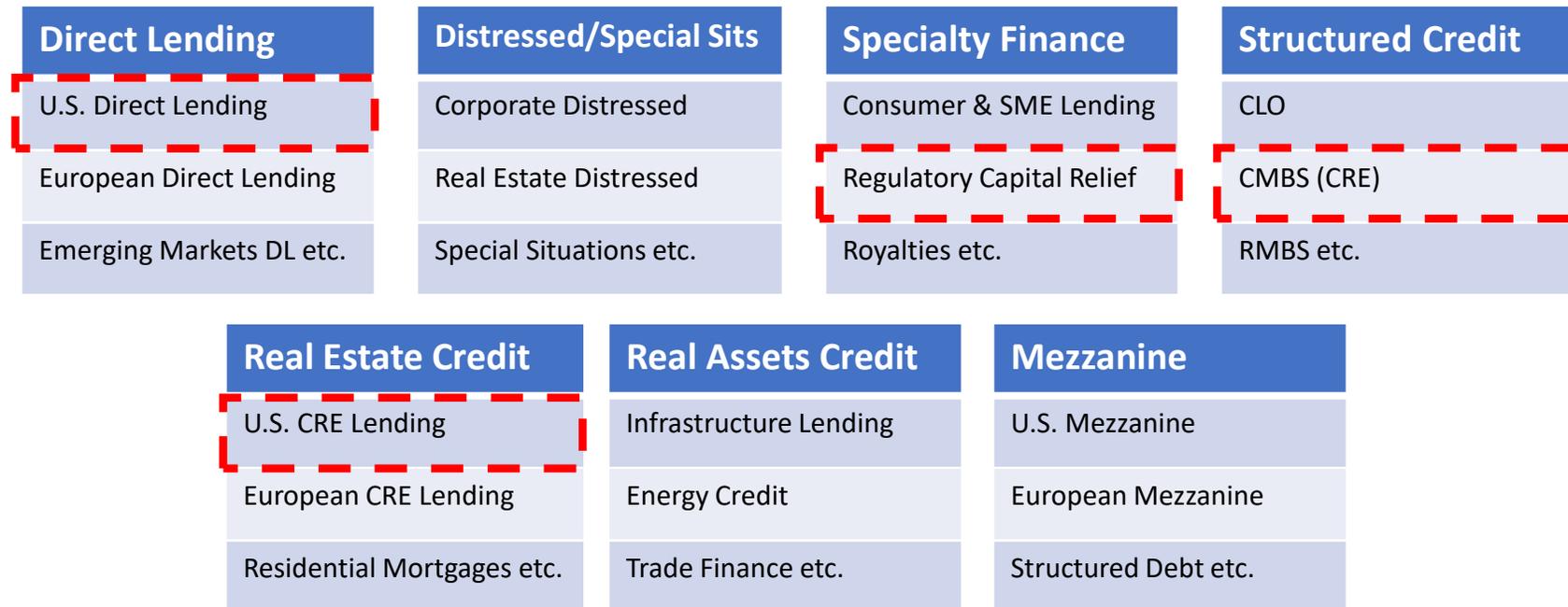


...they are transactions which aren't traded on listed markets and which enable you to have far more control over structuring and over terms...



# Defining Private Credit

Non-bank lending that includes directly negotiated transactions of illiquid, unrated debt. Wide range of strategies and risk/return profiles. Returns can range from mid-single digits to 20%+

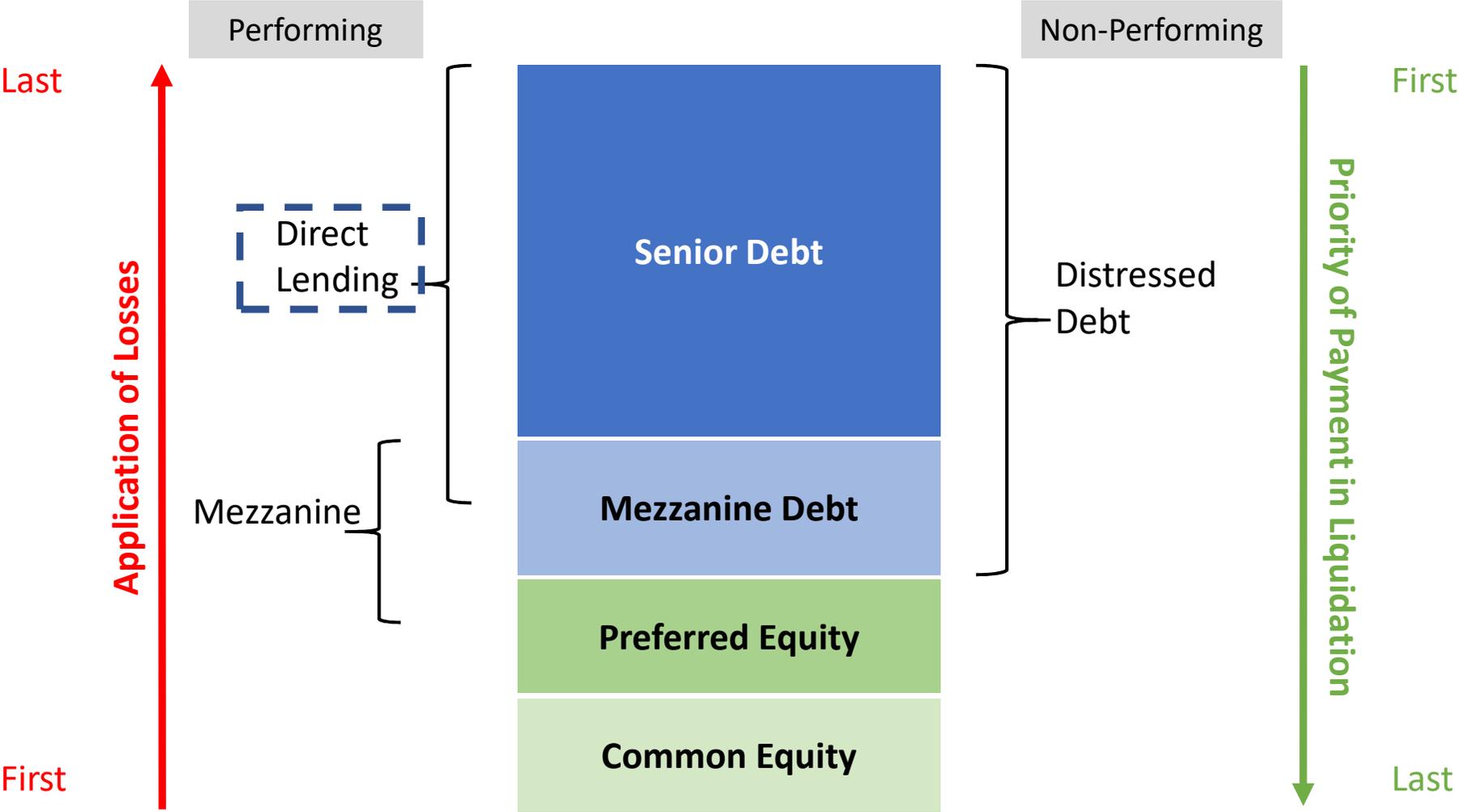


Represents current strategies included in CCCERA's Private Credit Program



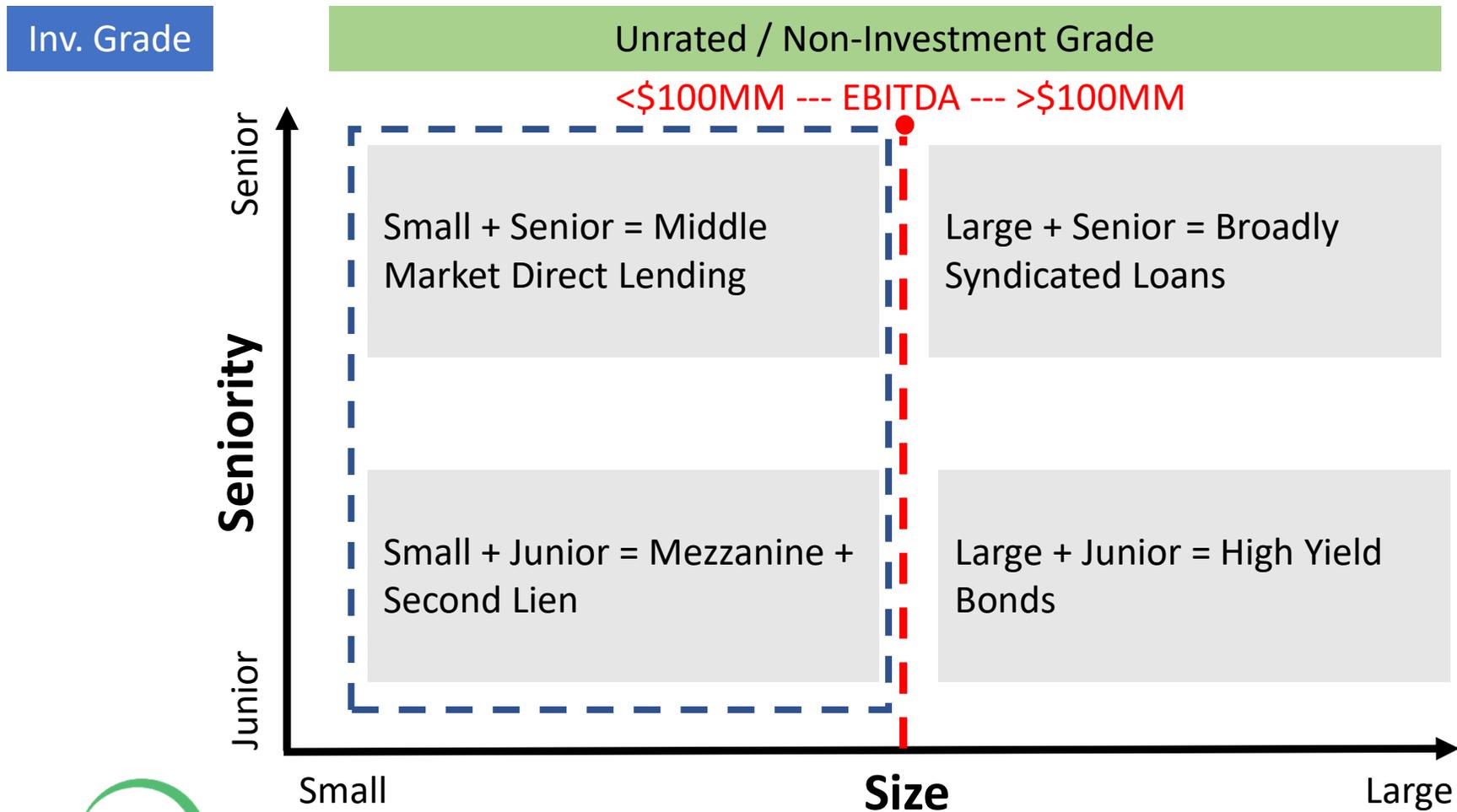
Source: Aksia.

# Private Credit - Corporate Lending



 Represents primary exposure in CCCERA's Private Credit Program

# Private Credit Corporate Lending Strategies vs. the broader Corporate Lending Landscape

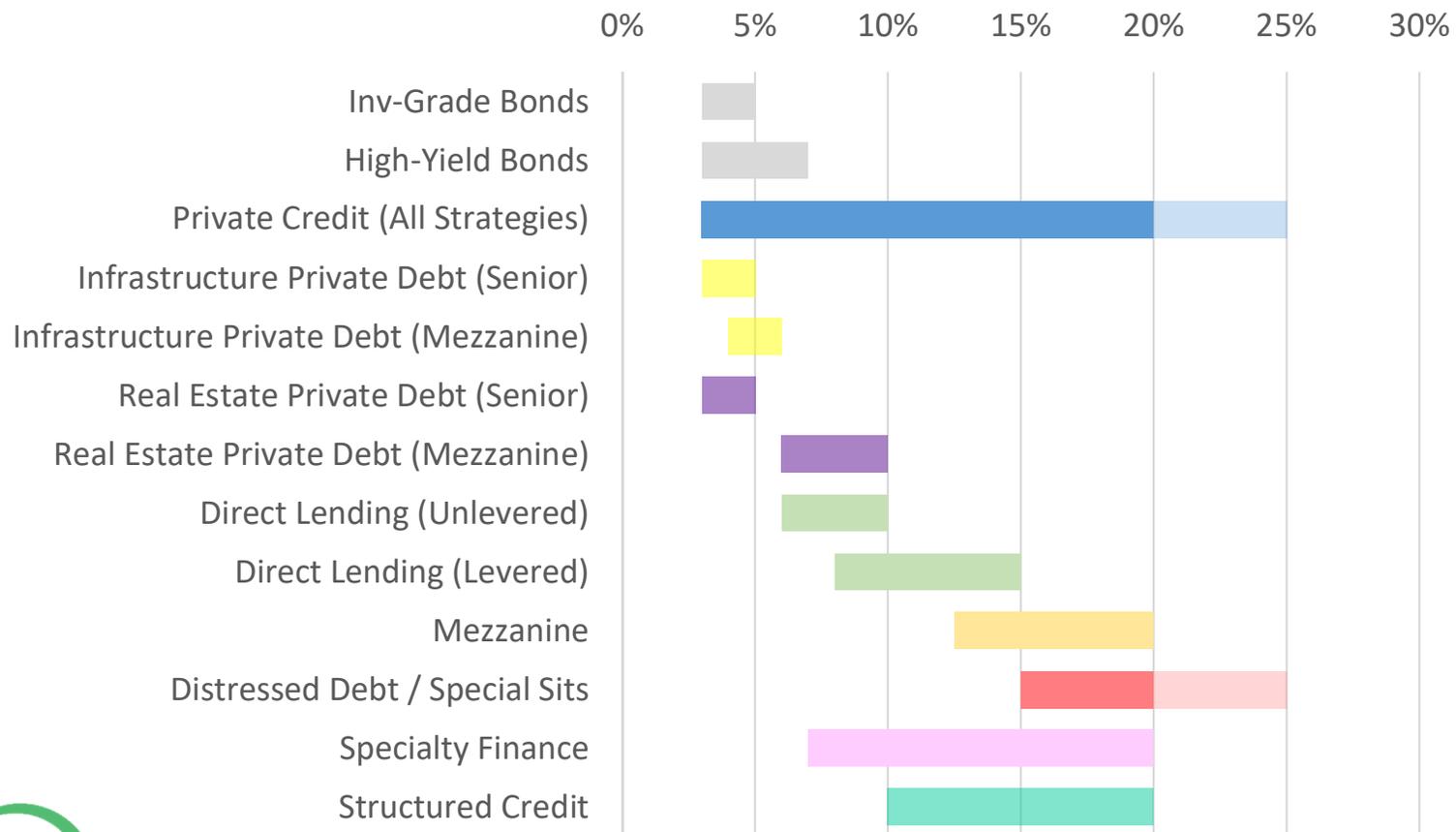


Source: Nuveen.

 Represents investment focus of Private Credit Corporate Lending strategies

# Comparing Private Credit Strategies – Evaluating Risk & Return

Targeted Gross Returns by Private Credit Strategy (Gross IRR)

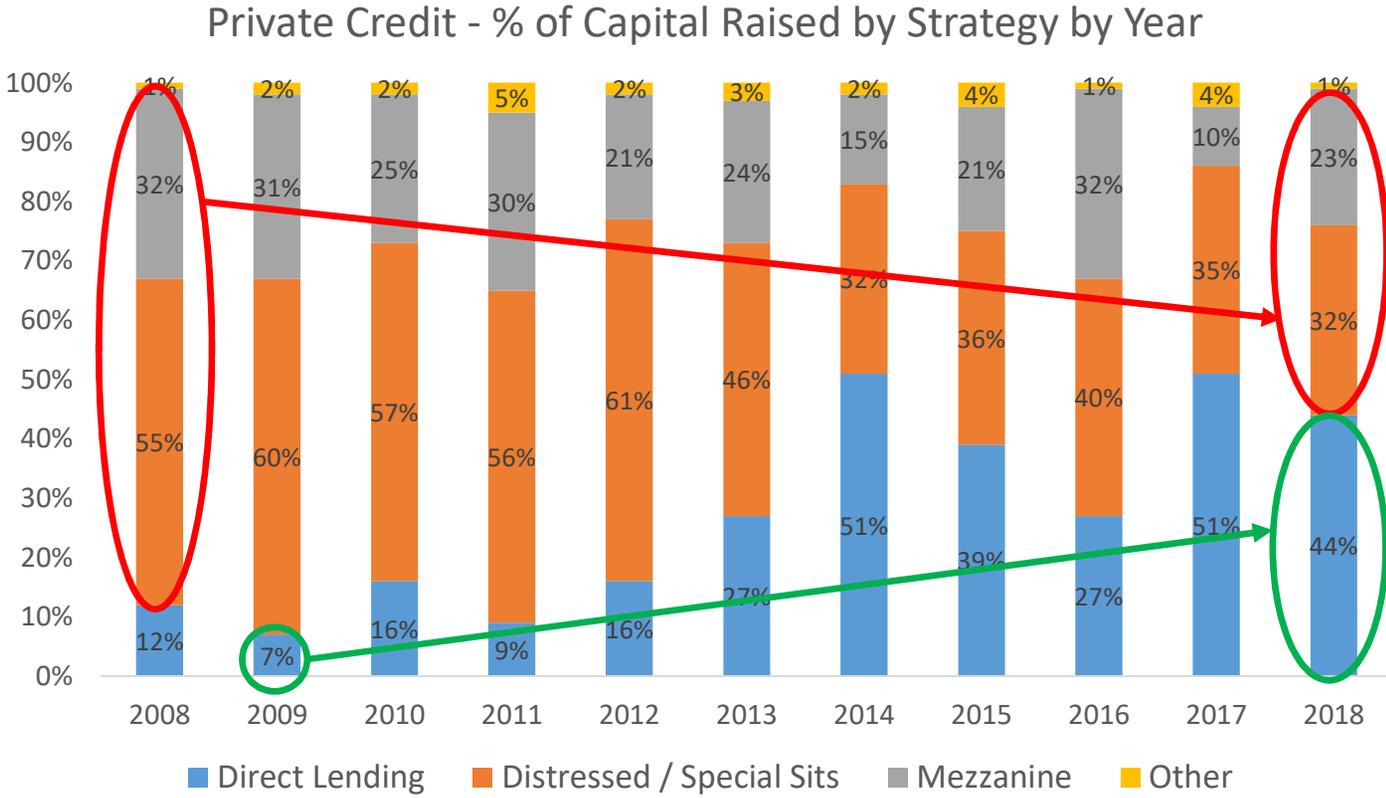


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# History & Evolution of the Private Credit Market

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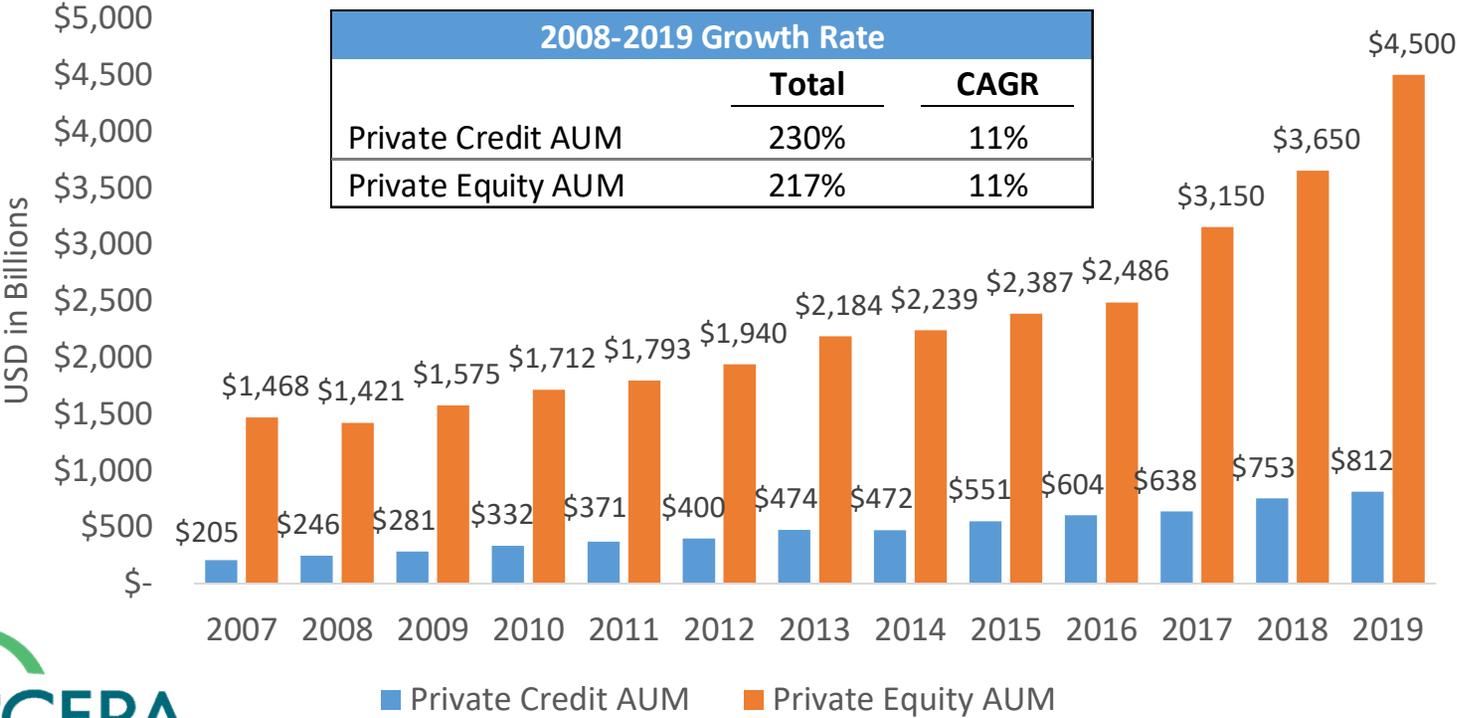
Source: Preqin.  
 Note: Primarily includes data for Direct Lending, Distressed / Special Sits, and Mezzanine strategies.  
 Data for several other Private Credit strategies is not included.

# Catalysts for Transformation of the Private Credit Market

Three primary forces have driven growth and evolution in Private Credit since 2008:

1. Regulatory pressure on banks
2. Growth in Private Equity
3. Institutional investors searching for yield

Private Equity and Private Credit Assets Under Management (AUM)



Source: Preqin.

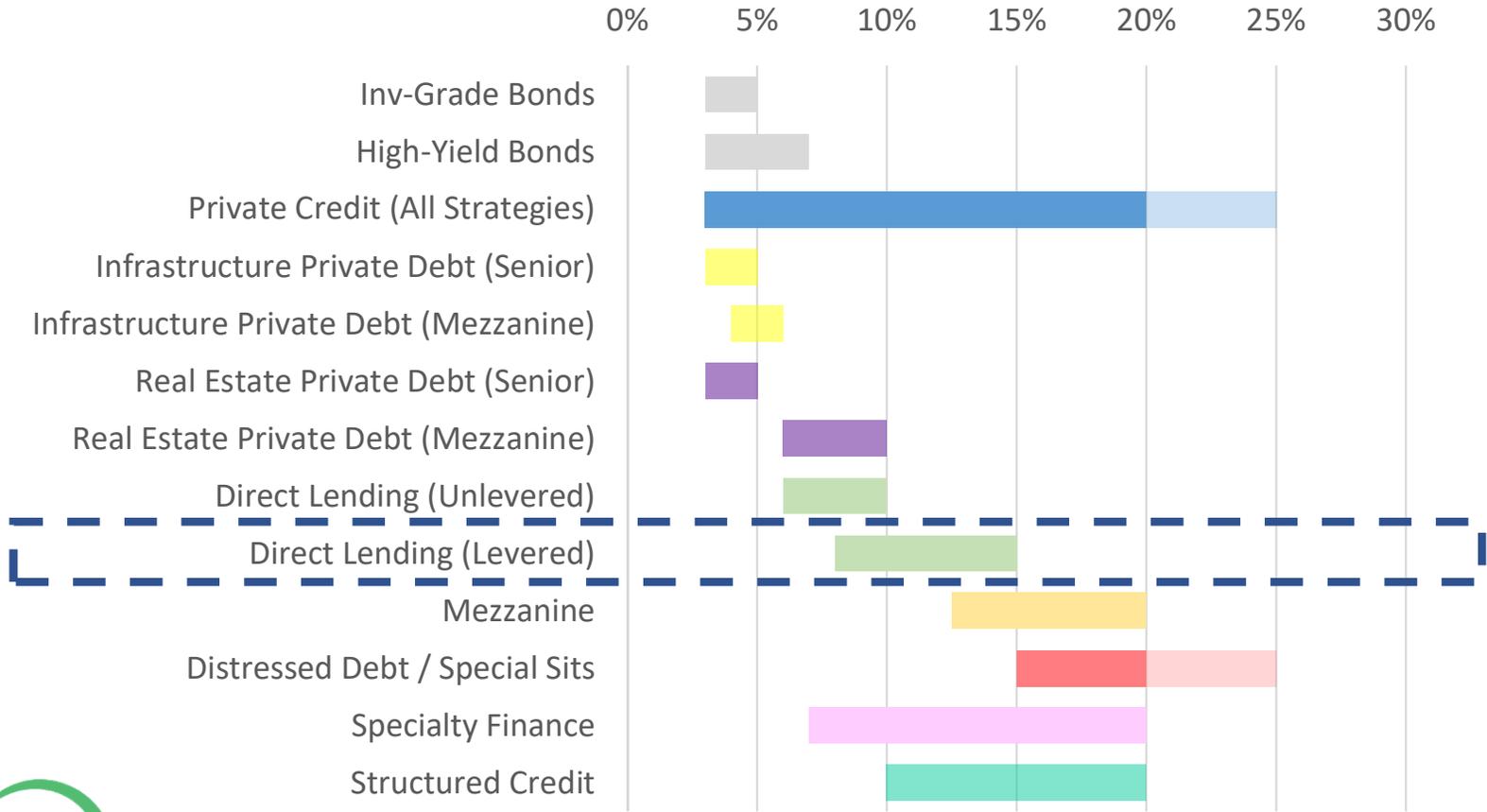
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# Direct Lending Overview

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# Levered Direct Lending – Evaluating Risk & Return

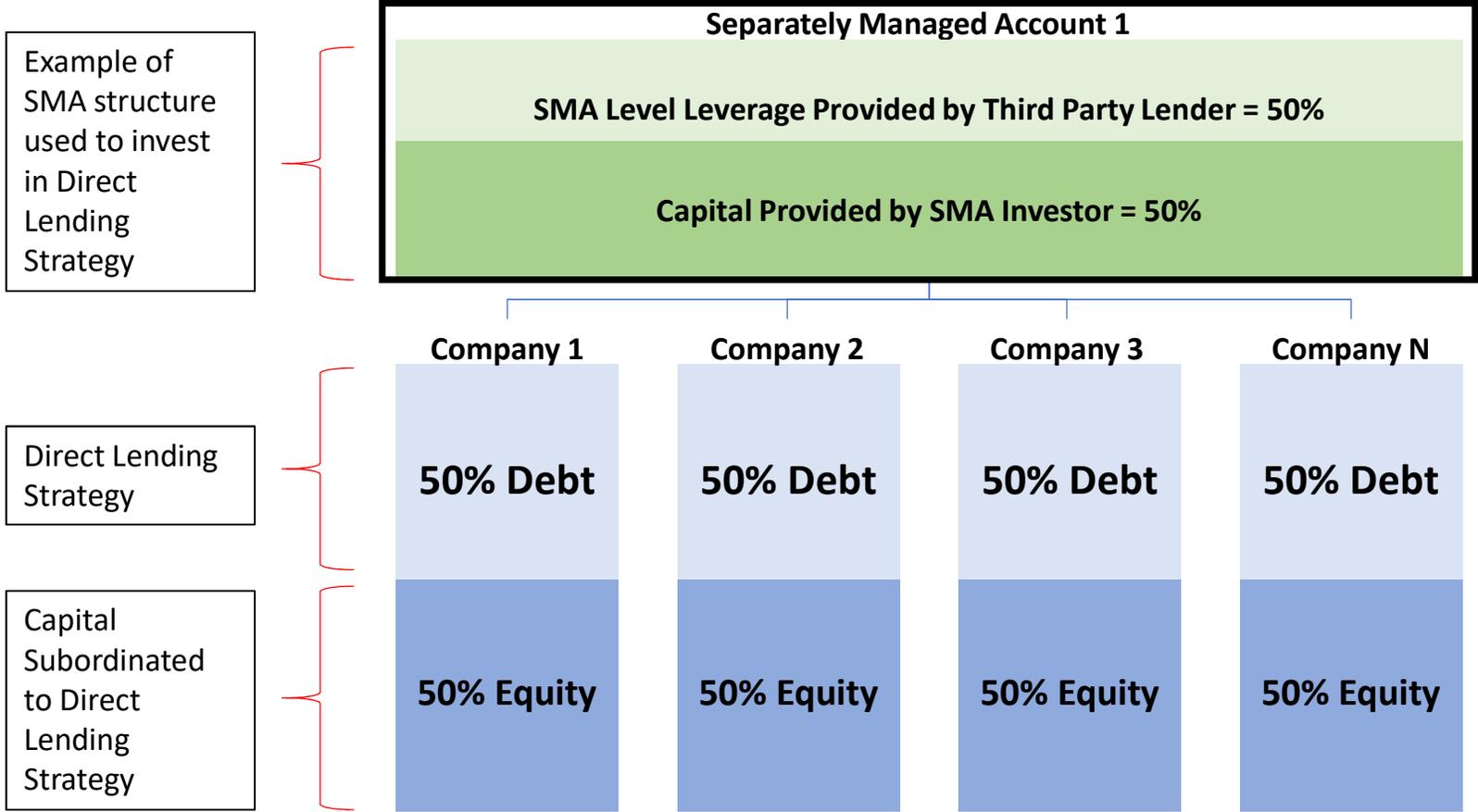
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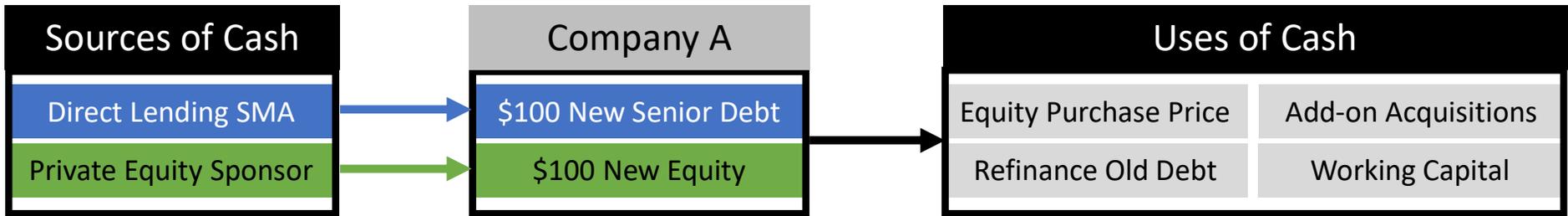
Source: Cambridge Associates and Stepstone.

— Represents primary exposure in CCCERA's Private Credit Program

# Levered Direct Lending SMA



# Direct Lending Illustrative Example



Year	LIBOR Floor	LIBOR	LIBOR Spread	Interest Rate	Company A	Direct Lending SMA
1	1%	0.5%	8.5%	9.5%	Interest →	\$9.50
2	1%	0.5%	8.5%	9.5%	Interest →	\$9.50
3	1%	1%	8.5%	9.5%	Interest →	\$9.50
4	1%	2%	8.5%	10.5%	Interest →	\$10.50
5	1%	2%	8.5%	10.5%	Interest + Principal →	\$110.50
					Total Interest + Principal	\$149.50
					Unlevered Gross MOIC / IRR	1.5x / 10%

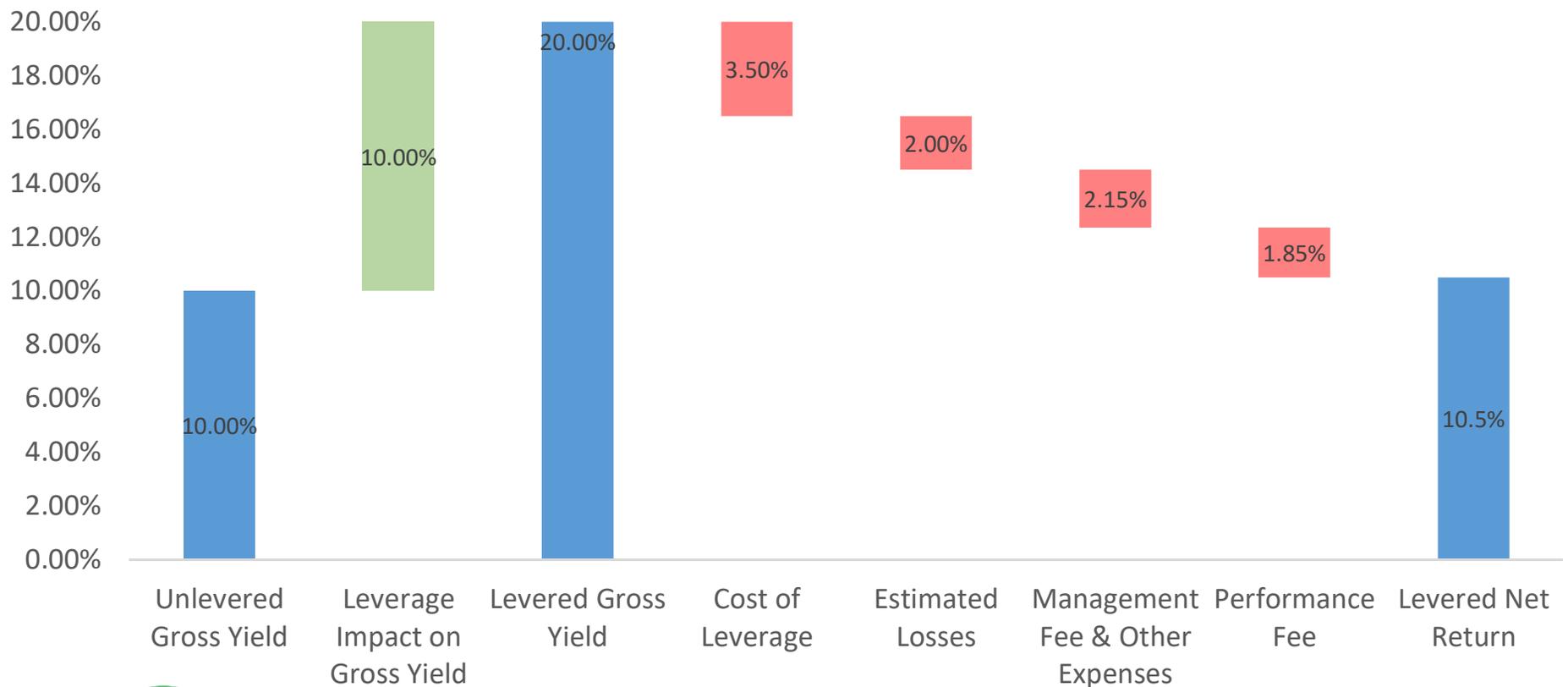


# Levered Direct Lending: Illustrative Gross to Net Return Calculation

Gross to Net Return Calculation (Levered & Unlevered)			
	Leverage		
	Unlevered	Multiplier	Levered
<b>Gross Yield</b>	<b>10.00%</b>	<b>2.00x</b>	<b>20.00%</b>
Less: Cost of Leverage	0.00%	---	3.50%
Less: Estimated Losses	1.00%	2.00x	2.00%
Less: Management Fee	0.95%	2.00x	1.90%
Less: Other Expenses	<u>0.25%</u>	<u>1.00x</u>	<u>0.25%</u>
<b>Return before Performance Fee</b>	<b>7.80%</b>	<b>1.58x</b>	<b>12.35%</b>
Less: Performance Fee	<u>1.17%</u>	<u>1.58x</u>	<u>1.85%</u>
<b>Net Return*</b>	<b><u>6.63%</u></b>	<b><u>1.58x</u></b>	<b><u>10.50%</u></b>
Notes:			
1. Assumes 1:1 leverage (debt:invested capital).			
2. Performance fee shown assumes 15% performance fee with a 6% soft hurdle.			
*Net Return is before fees paid to Stepstone.			

# Levered Direct Lending: Illustrative Gross to Net Return Calculation

Bridge from Unlevered Gross Return to Levered Net Return



Note: Levered Net Return is before fees paid to Stepstone.

# Conclusion

- Banks have pulled back from Direct Lending since the GFC, while demand for Direct Lending has remained robust
- Funding gap has been filled by Private Credit / Direct Lending Strategy
  - Fueled by institutional investors' desire for yield
- Competition for deals and low interest rate environment is putting downward pressure on risk-adjusted yields
- Relatively young asset class that is currently going through its first major dislocation
- Lower historical volatility in Private Credit vs. equity
  - In addition, Direct lending had lower losses and better risk-adjusted returns historically vs. comparable corporate lending strategies

Meeting Date  
**09/23/20**  
Agenda Item  
**#5b.**



CCCERA Board Presentation  
Private Debt Update

September 2020

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All data as of March 31, 2020 unless otherwise noted.

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# Agenda

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- I. StepStone Group Update
- II. Private Debt Market Update
- III. Review of Private Debt Program
- IV. Private Debt Performance

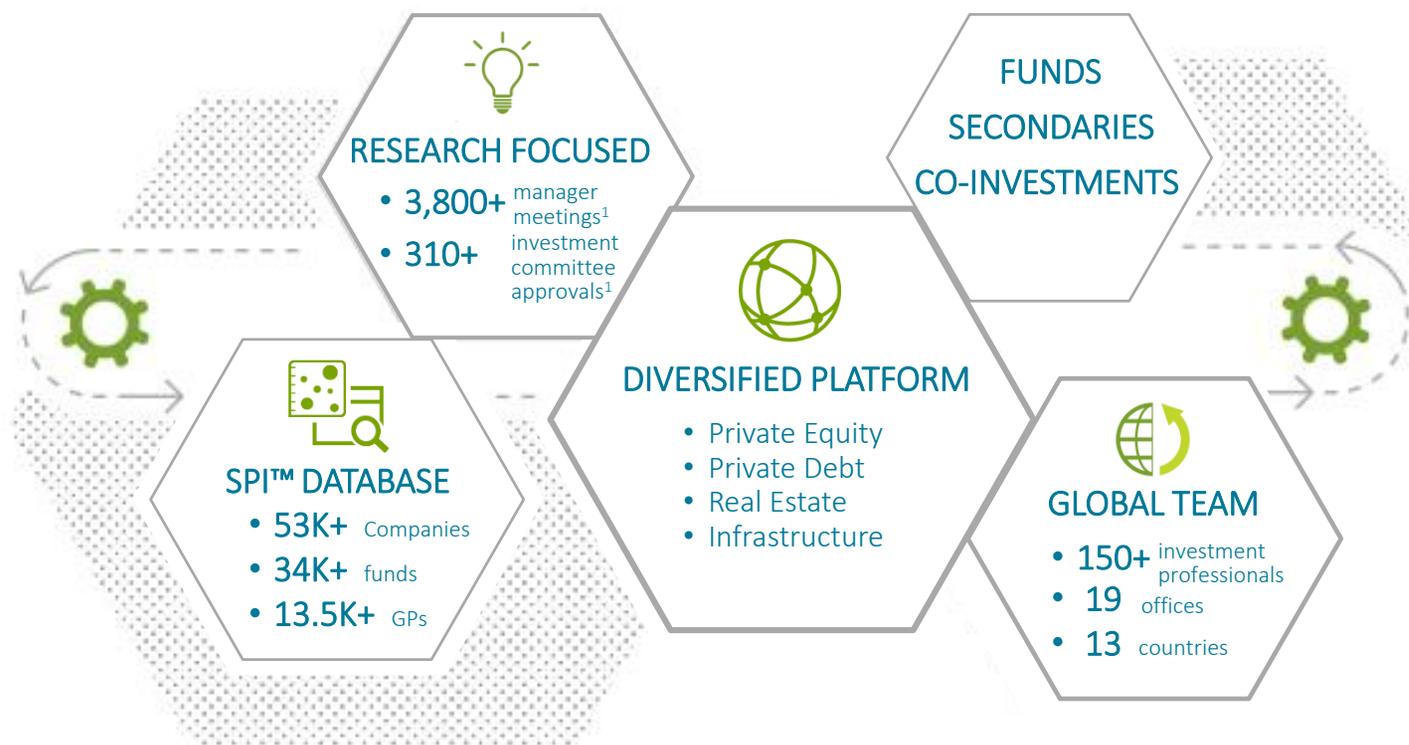
# I. STEPSTONE GROUP UPDATE

# StepStone At-a-Glance

StepStone is a global private markets investment firm offering customized investment solutions and advisory and data services to our clients



## STEPSTONE'S ADVANTAGE



SPECIALIZED RESEARCH	CUSTOMIZED SOLUTIONS	INFORMATION ADVANTAGE
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As of February 2020. All dollars are USD.

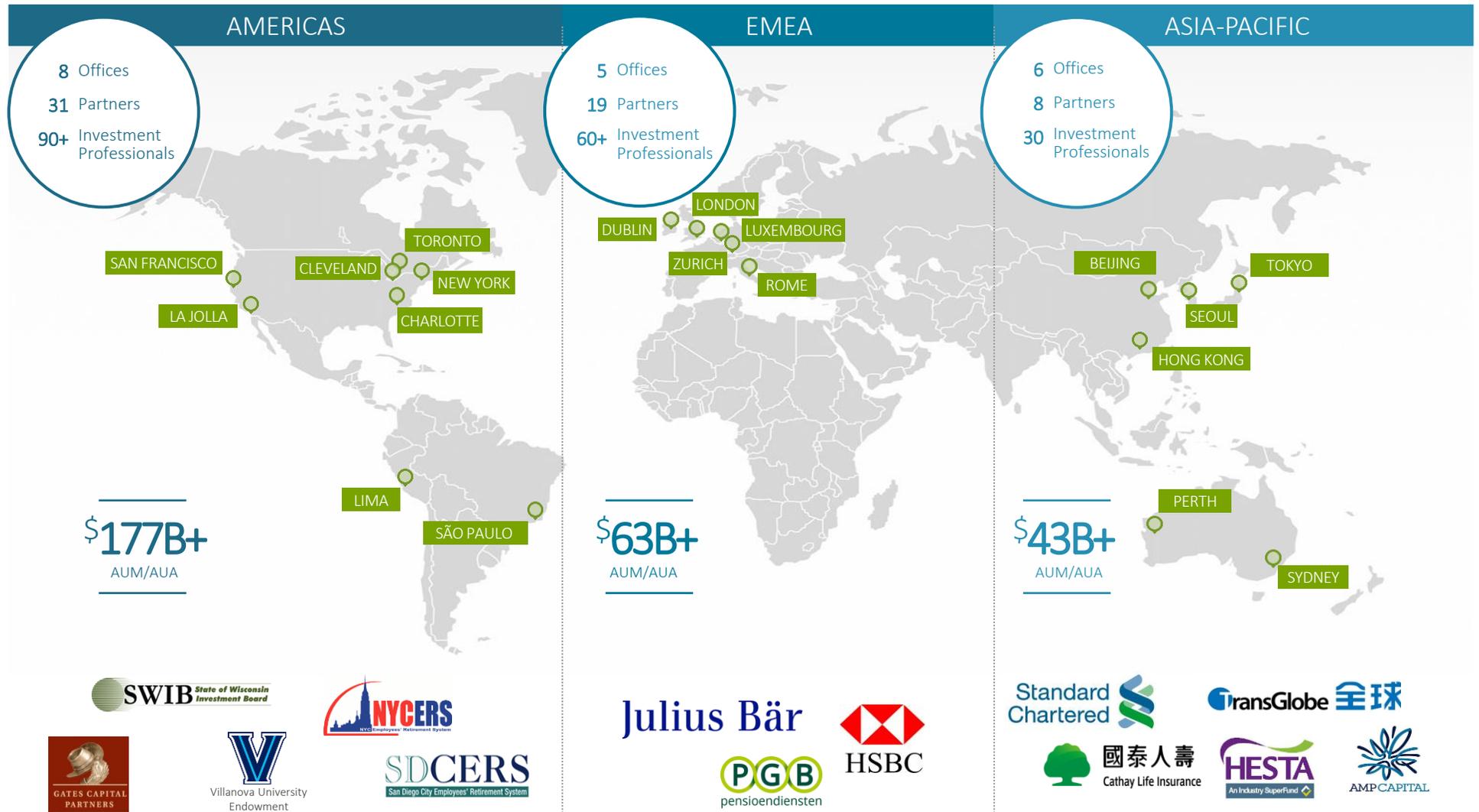
1. Last twelve months through December 31, 2019.

2. \$280 billion indicates total assets which includes over \$62 billion in assets under management as of December 31, 2019. Reflects final data for the prior period (September 30, 2019), adjusted for net new client account activity through December 31, 2019. Does not include post-period investment valuation or cash activity.

3. StepStone approved over \$45 billion in 2019. Represents StepStone-approved investment commitments on behalf of discretionary and non-discretionary advisory clients. Excludes clientele that receive research-only, non-advisory services. Ultimate client investment commitment figures may vary following completion of final GP acceptance/closing processes.

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StepStone has 19 offices in 13 countries, to serve our clients spanning all major regions and types of institutions including Corporate & Public Pensions, Sovereign Wealth Funds, Endowments, Family Offices and Foundations



AUM/AUA as of December 31, 2019. Reflects final data for the prior period (September 30, 2019) adjusted for net new client account activity through December 31, 2019. Does not include post-period investment valuation or cash activity. It is not known whether the listed clients approve or disapprove of StepStone or its services. Inclusion of a client on this list does not imply that the client endorses or recommends StepStone.

# Corporate Private Debt Team



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MONITORING & REPORTING

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MARKETING & CLIENT SERVICES

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<sup>1</sup> including Finance&Accounting, Controlling, Risk Management, IT, Admin

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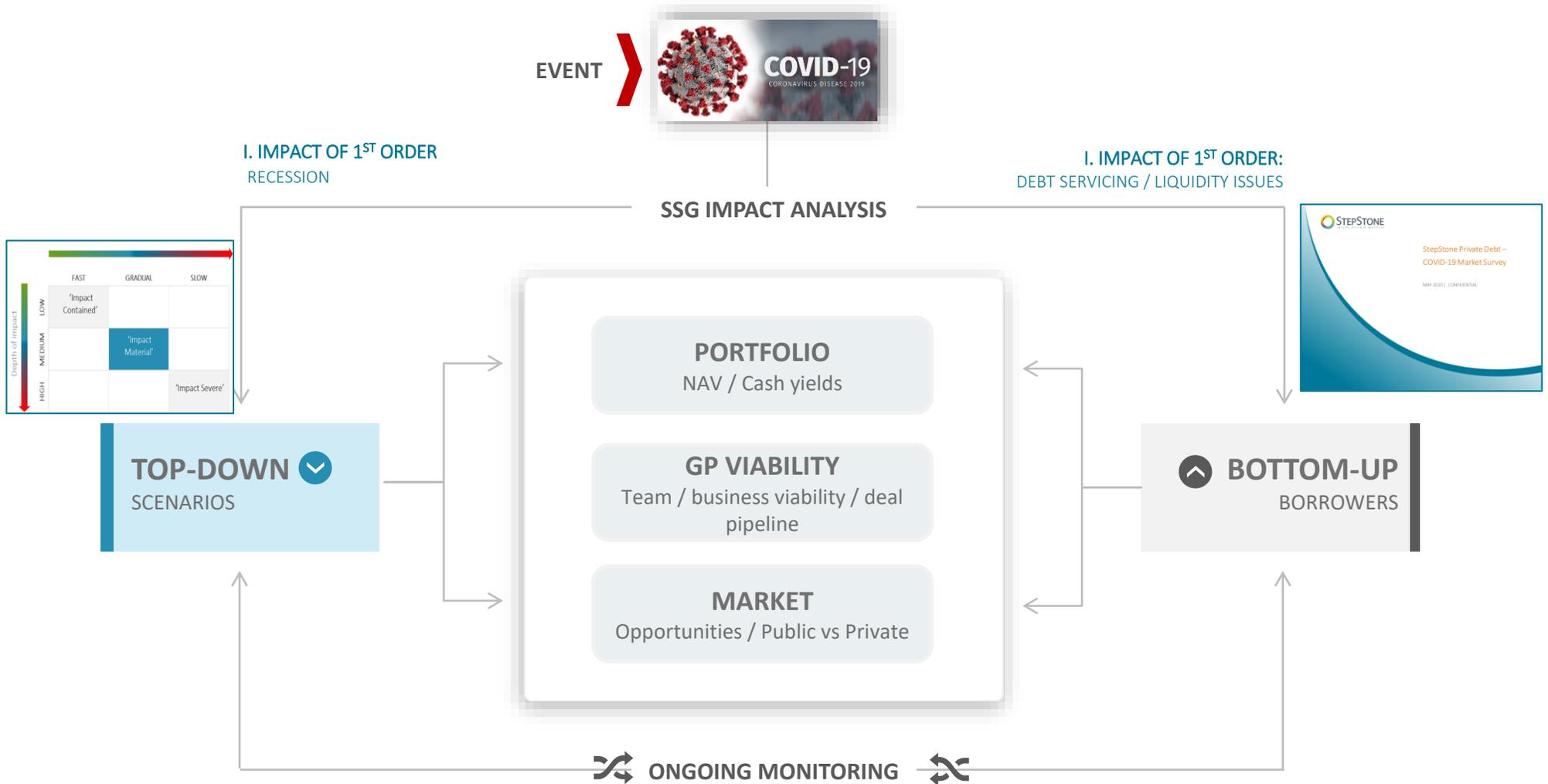
US Manager Selection

EU Manager Selection

## II. PRIVATE DEBT MARKET UPDATE

# COVID-19 ANALYSIS AND SCENARIOS

# StepStone Private Debt's Approach to Analyzing Impact



## II. IMPACT OF 2<sup>nd</sup> ORDER: 'BEHAVIOURAL' changes of:

- Consumer (consumption → impact on business models)
- Corporates (supply chain, working capital, other)
- Nations: 'reversal' of globalization

## SYNDICATED LOANS: COVID-19 vs GFC

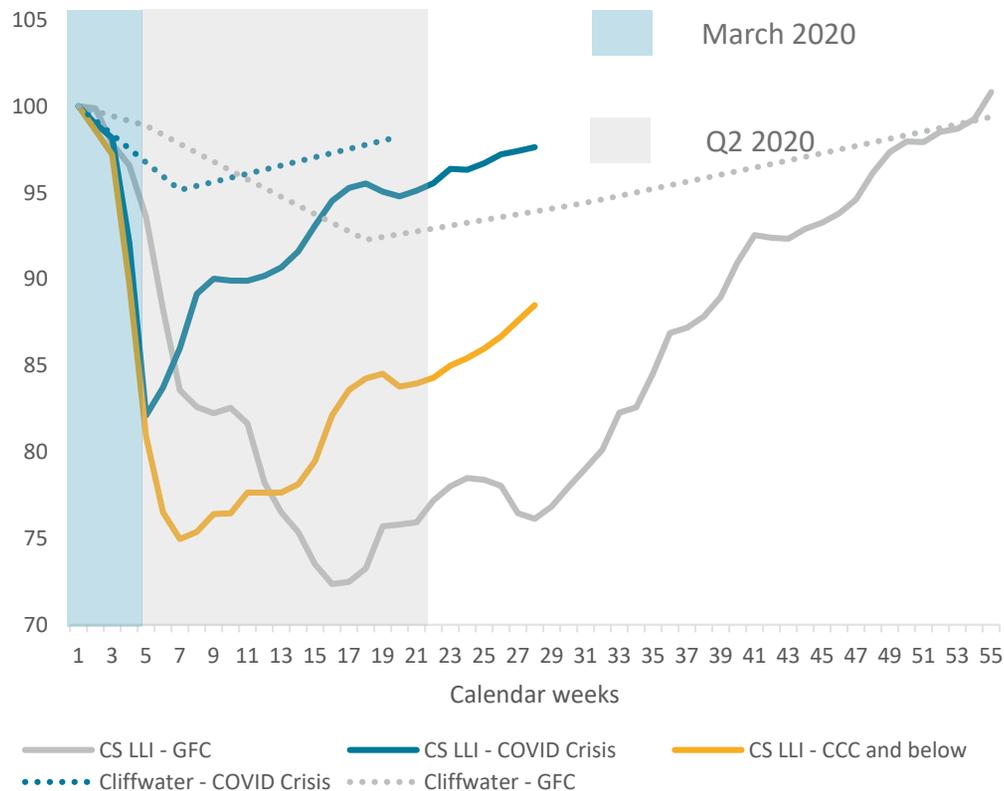


Chart: Total Return CS Leveraged Loan Index: Start date : February 20th, 2020 for COVID Crisis; September 4th, 2008 for GFC

## COMMENTS

### Credit Markets: Significant sell-off with V-shaped recovery

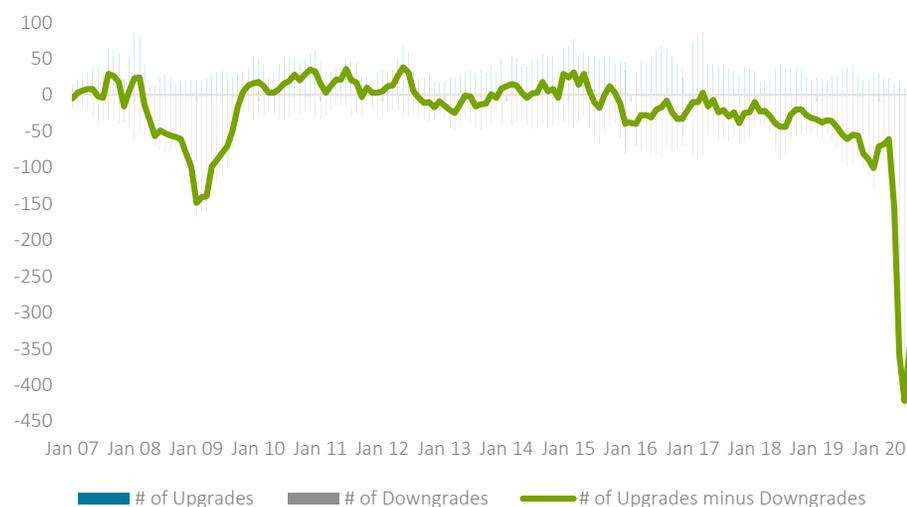
- Largest & fastest sell-off since GFC
- Market drawdown 2/3 of GFC
- Weak part of the credit market
- V-shaped recovery supported by unprecedented Central Bank intervention
- Fed to first time expand asset purchase program to Corporate Credit

### Recovery: Faster than GFC

- The divergence in recoveries is largely attributable to massive intervention
- Expected default rates for COVID at the level of realized GFC default rates
- COVID market shock accelerated bifurcation of market: weaker credit valuations do not recover anymore

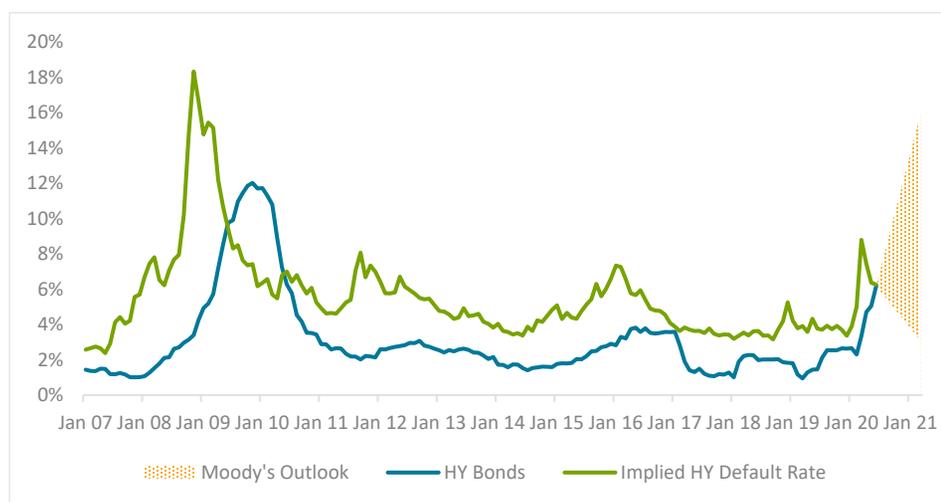
# Key Events in Credit Markets (Continued)

## DOWNGRADES



Data source: LCD, as of August 2020

## DEFAULTS



Data source: Bloomberg, JP Morgan, Moody's, S&P, as of August 2020

## COMMENTS

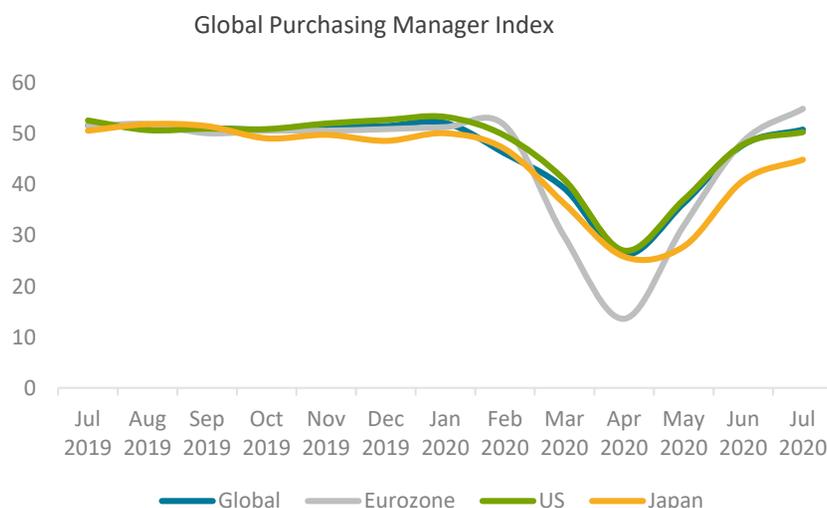
### Credit Ratings: Downgrade cycle anticipates deterioration of fundamentals

- Pre-emptive and quick actions by rating agencies in anticipation of fundamental credit deteriorations
- Unprecedented speed and magnitude of downgrades
- This development contradicts with price action in traded credit markets

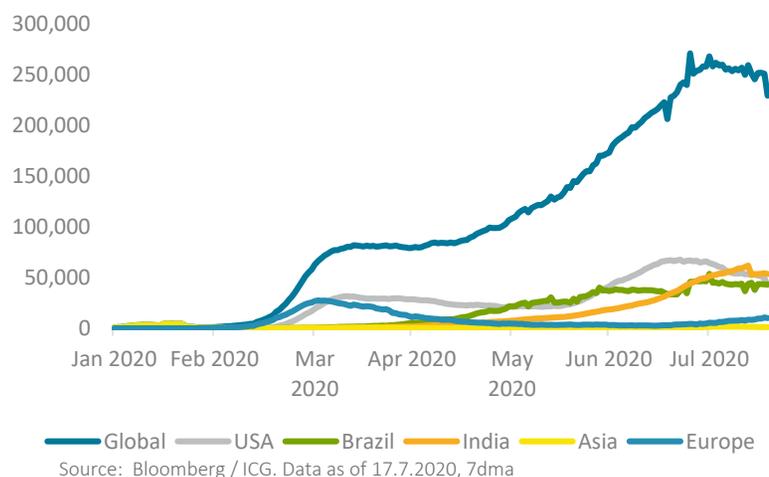
### Default Rates moving up and above long-term average

- Default rates increased over the last few months
- Drivers at this stage have been mainly industries directly affected by COVID
- Credit rating agencies expect peak levels to be reached in Q1/Q2 2021 at GFC levels of 10 – 12%
- However, implied default rates are decreasing from recent peaks

## V-SHAPED RECOVERIES - SO FAR .....



## ..... BUT TOO EARLY TO DECLARE VICTORY OVER COVID-19



### V-shaped recovery so far

- Termination of lock-down measures had swift and positive effect
- However, recoveries vary widely (country, sector, company)

### Recovery to slow down or derail?

- Increase in COVID-19 cases across the world increase risk to derail recovery
- Unprecedented monetary and fiscal policies will most likely help to avoid recovery to completely derail
- However, growth moderation to be expected not only in the short but also medium-term due to future tax burdens

### Global interest and inflation rate to remain low

- Central banks will maintain and if needed expand unprecedented measures
- Ultra low interest rates across the globe will support asset price inflation
- Investors will continue search for yield activity

### Disconnect: the market is not the economy

- Traded asset prices to trade at valuations in stark contrast with continued deterioration of fundamentals

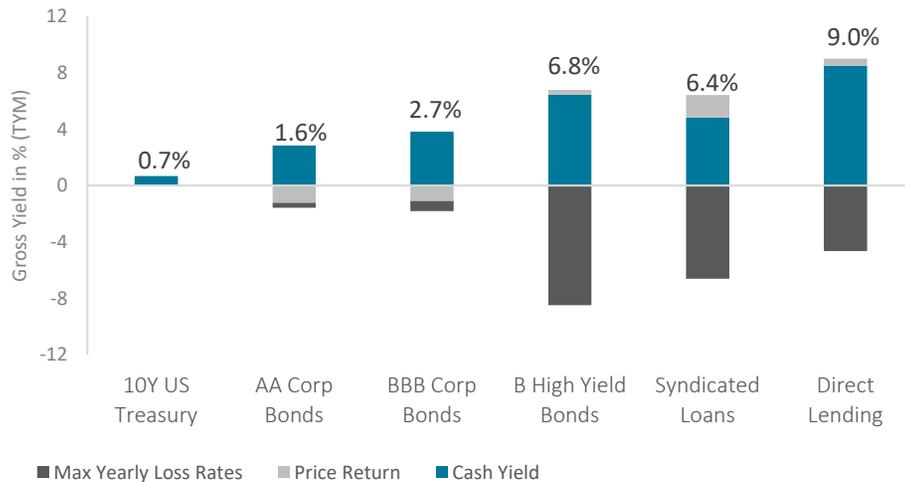
### Investment Principles

- Maintain focus on quality for core investments
- Enhance performance potential with opportunistic investments
- Continued search for low / no correlated asset classes

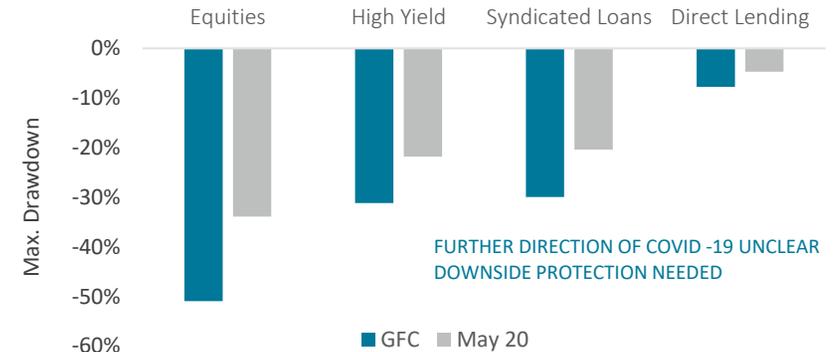
# ATTRACTIVENESS OF DIRECT LENDING & OUTLOOK

# Relative Attractiveness of Private Debt

## STRONG CURRENT INCOME ELEMENT IN RETURNS FROM DIRECT LENDING



## DIRECT LENDING HAS BENEFITED FROM REDUCED DRAWDOWNS VS OTHER ASSET CLASSES ACROSS CYCLES



FURTHER DIRECTION OF COVID -19 UNCLEAR  
DOWNSIDE PROTECTION NEEDED

Source: S&P Index, Federal Reserve Economic Data (FRED), Credit Suisse, Cliffwater Senior Direct Lending index, as of June 10, 2020.

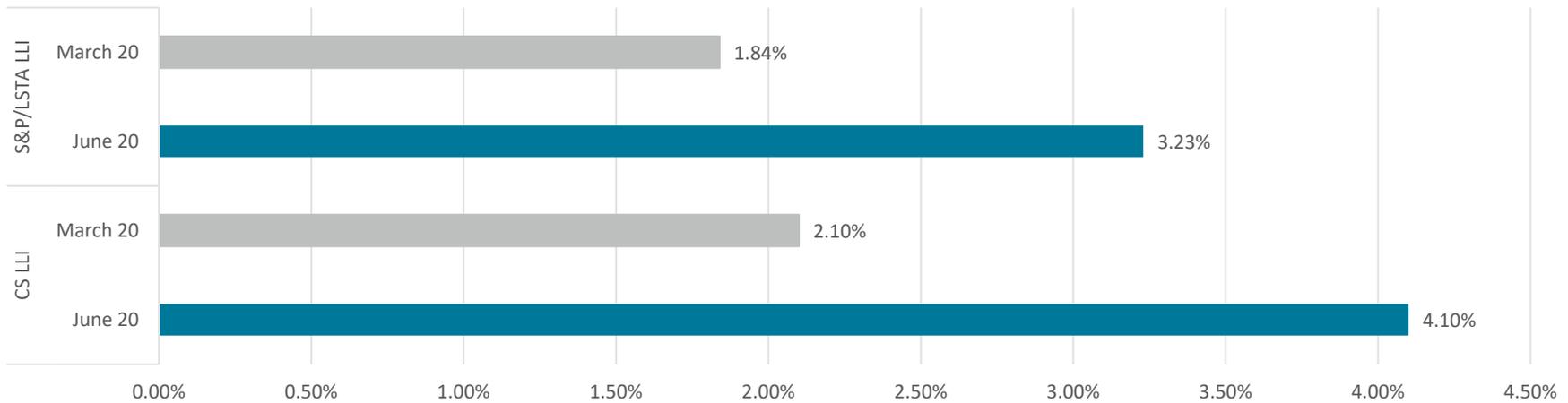


Source: Bloomberg Barclays US Corporate Bond AA/BBB Index, Credit Suisse US High Yield Index, Credit Suisse LLI, StepStone Private Debt Platform. "10Y US Treasury" Data based on Barclays US Agg. Treasuries; "Corp Bonds" reflects the yield to worst of the Barclays Global Agg. Corporate index; "HY Bonds" Data based on CS HY Index; "Syndicated Loans" based on yield (3yrs life) on BB rated loans and the Broad index (CS data) minus the historical loss rate since 2010; "Direct Lending First Lien" based on average First Lien, Unitranche and High Octane Loans minus the estimated loss rate for first liens (estimation on internal database), Source: Thomson Reuters, Quarterly MM Private Deal Analysis. Data as of June 10, 2020  
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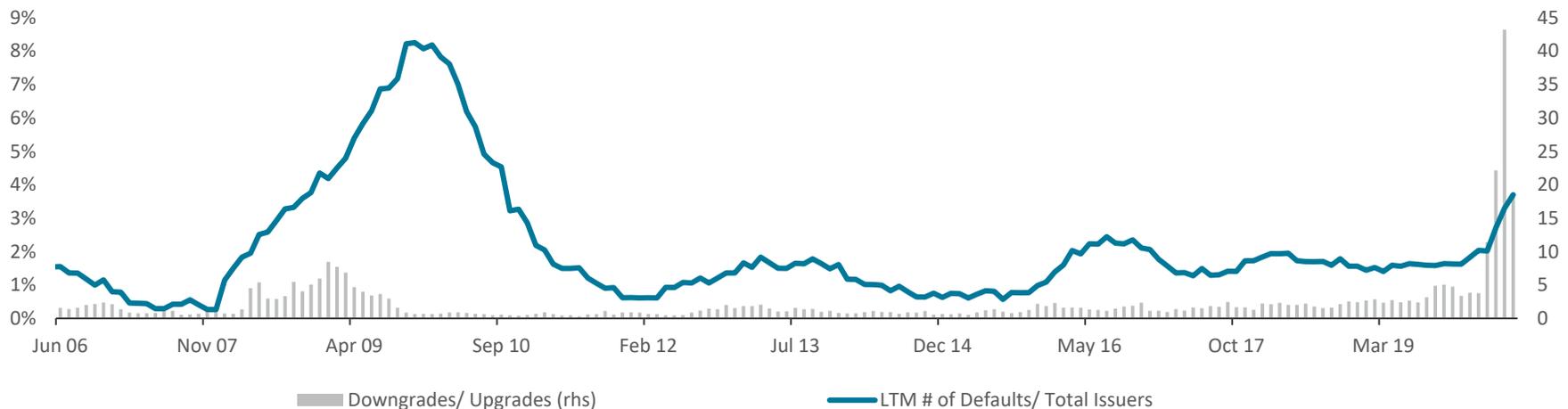
# 'Default Rates': Syndicated Loans

Default rates have increased beyond long term average and rating downgrades are at historic highs

## 12-MONTH DEFAULT RATE SYNDICATED LOANS<sup>1</sup>



## SL DEFAULT RATE & RATIO OF DOWNGRADES OVER UPGRADES (S&P/LSTA LLI)



Source: LCD, CS Leveraged Loan Index as of June 2020

<sup>1</sup> S&P/LSTA LLI: LTM \$ of Defaults/ Total Outstanding

StepStone believes the pendulum has moved back from “borrower friendly” to “(more) lender friendly”

## TRANSACTION VOLUMES

- **Newly originated** : Transaction volumes expected to be significantly reduced in 2020; volume dispersion of individual GPs expected to increase
- **Large Cap Transactions**: potential of large GPs to originate transactions that traditionally would tap the broadly syndicated loan market

## PRICING

- **Newly originated transactions** increase of 100-250bps of gross asset yield depending on borrower characteristics
- **Performing secondaries** expected to be offered more frequently and potentially priced at a premium to primary markets

## DOCUMENTATION/ UNDERWRITING STANDARDS

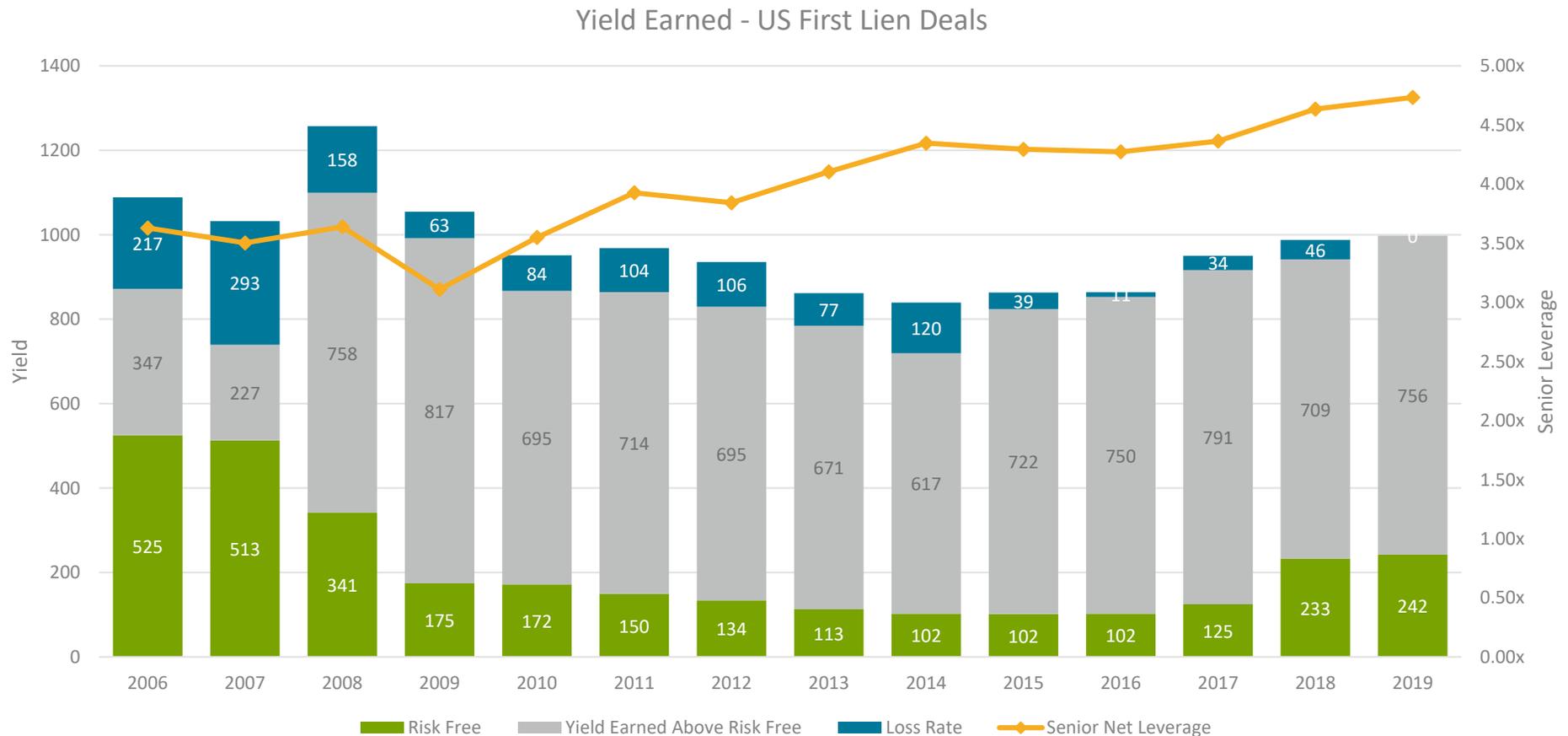
- **Newly originated transactions** based on more conservative forecasts (e.g. EBITDA adjustments) and credit metrics (e.g. level of leverage, covenants)
- **Amendments**: Borrowers that require amendments to existing documentation likely have to accept a tightening of terms and widening of pricing

## EXPECTED DEFAULT AND LOSS RATES

- **Newly originated transactions**: default rates likely not below long-term average due to tighter structures (e.g. covenants, covenant headrooms)
- **Loss rates of post-COVID-vintage** expected to be below long-term average

# Long-Term Development of Direct Lending Returns

- Risk-adjusted direct lending yields remained attractive through the cycle
- As a cycle matures, lending terms become more “borrower friendly,” resulting in increased leverage and valuation levels (EV multiple). However, this trend reverses post a recession-inducing event (capping off a cycle) such as the GFC (2008-2010) or the current COVID-19 pandemic resulting in significantly lower leverage and valuation levels (EV multiple) and an overall “lender” friendly environment



Source: StepStone Global, Internal Database, US First Lien Deals (more than 5,600 transactions and \$200bn of invested capital). Risk free presents the weighted average of max(LIBOR, LIBOR Floor) of the deals originated within the respective vintages, where the 3-month LIBOR is used as reference rate. Yield include the cash coupon as well as OID and Arrangement Fees and assumes 3-year expected life. Loss Rates present the annualized vintage loss rates and takes into account any principal loss as well as any interest foregone. One large loss in 2018 was excluded from the analysis since it distorts the analysis.

OPPORTUNITIES

# Playing Defense OR Offense? Better do Both...

Scenario to materialize will determine the mix and timing of a Portfolio (Deployment Speed & Entry Levels)

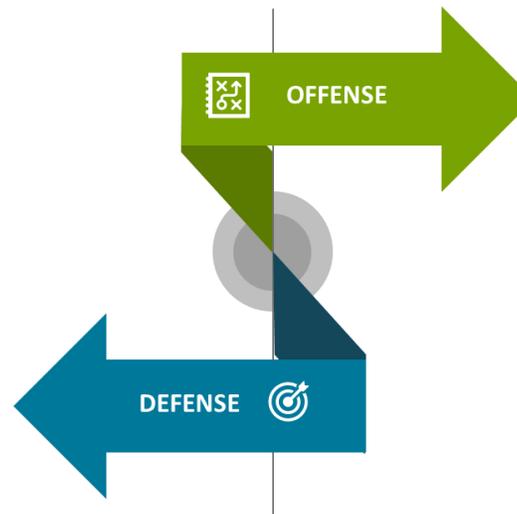
## Direct Lending

Direct Lending is a function of demand and supply in the lending space. Alternative Lenders will continue profiting from:

- The continued bank disintermediation
- The retreat of 'public / traded' markets in the high yield space
- A consolidation across the industry

**POST COVID-19 EVENT VINTAGE YEARS** are attractive regarding:

- Increased spreads / OIDs
- Lower leverage / LTVs / tighter covenants
- Industry / Company selection



## OPPORTUNISTIC

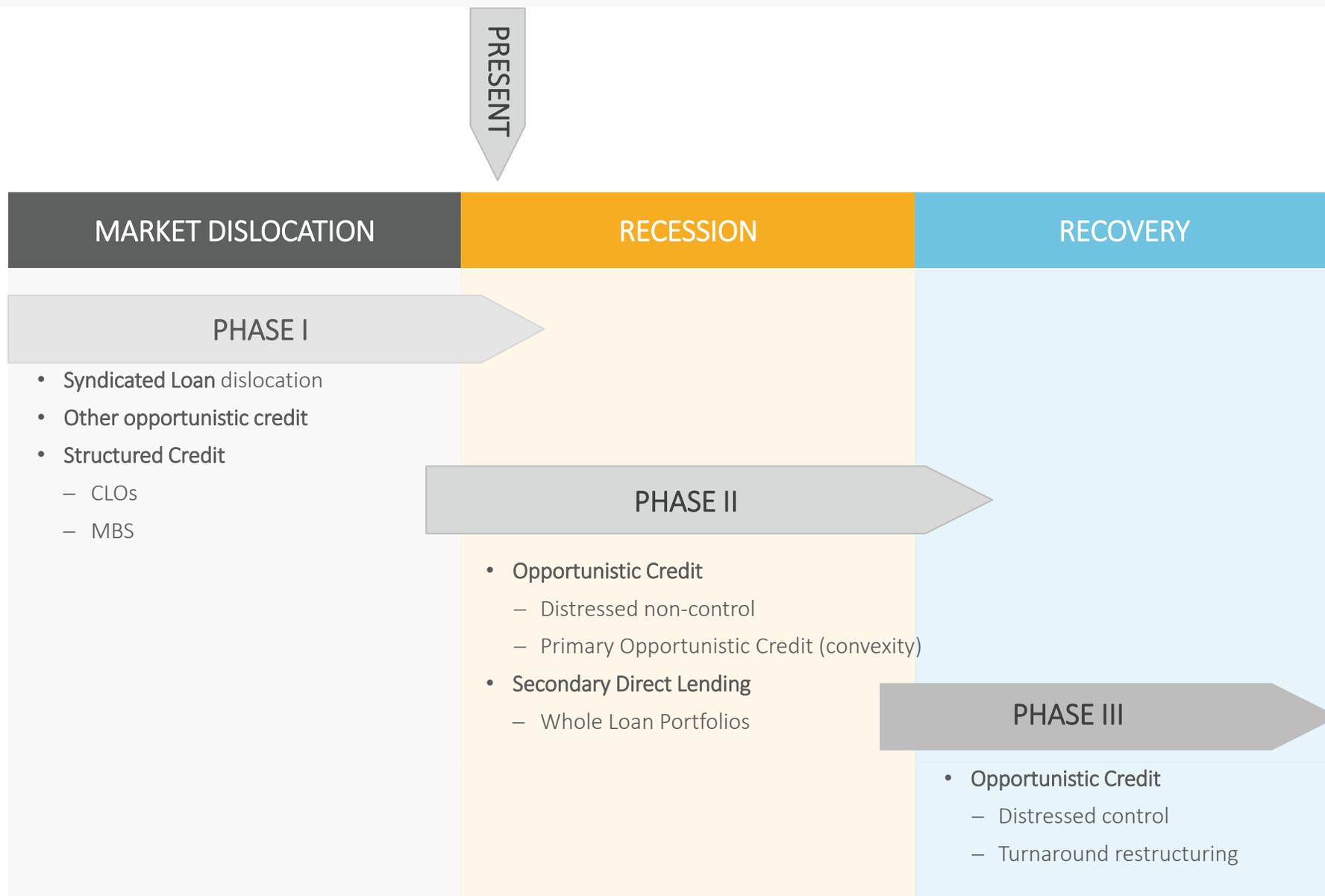
We currently observe a strong opportunity set and investment themes in the current market environment emerging in different phases:

### SHORT-TERM OPPORTUNITIES

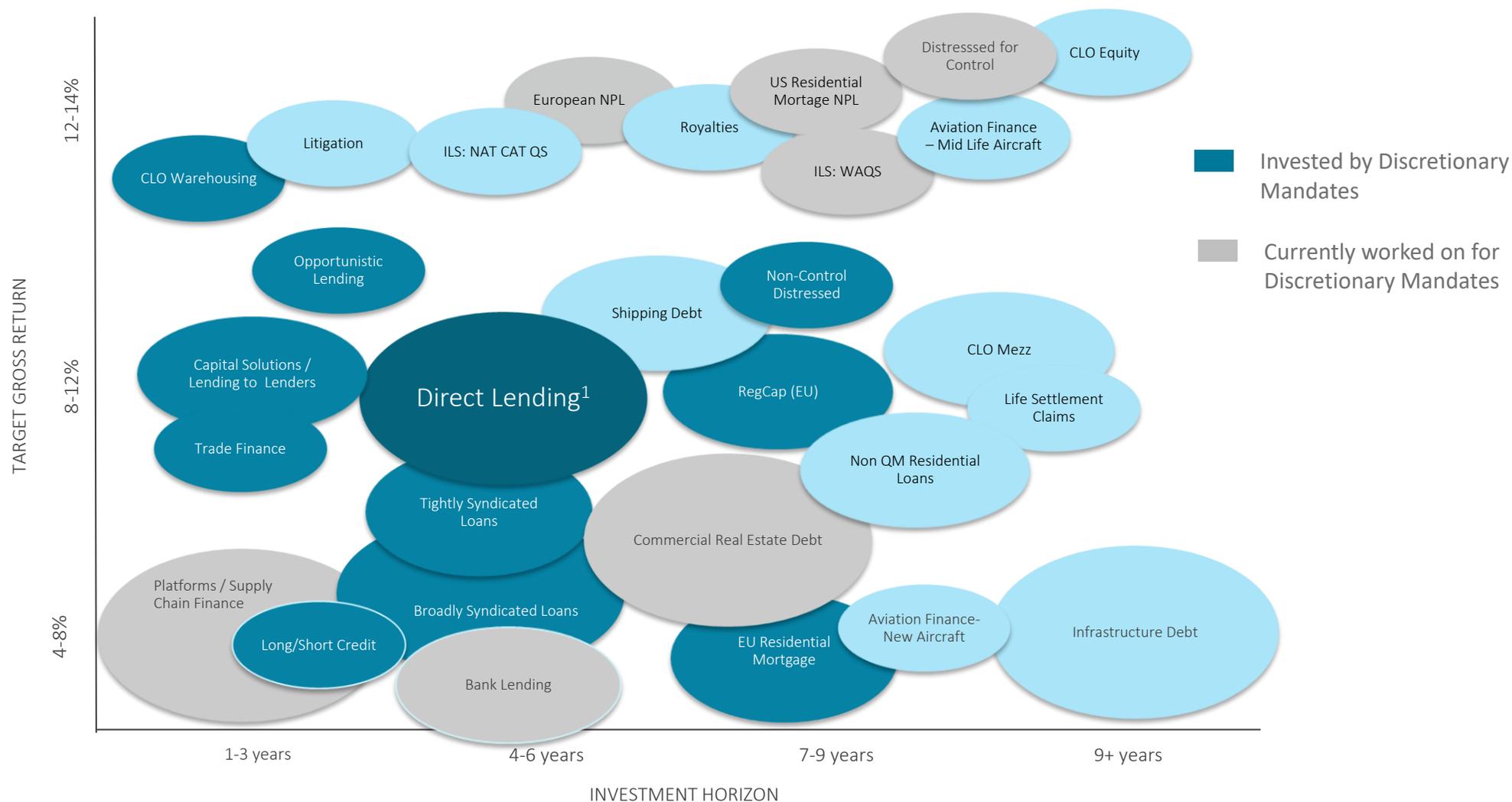
- Dependent on flows (investor 'stress') and government interventions (monetary policies).
- Investors' fears / expectation around expected scenarios obviously drive volatility.

### MID TO LONG-TERM OPPORTUNITIES

- Primarily dependent on the fundamental development and accordingly the scenario.
- These will drive ultimate defaults and recoveries.
- Fiscal programs influence overall impact and especially recovery times (IRRs).



# Overview of Investment Themes



<sup>1</sup> incl. Co-Investment

Note: Bubble size represents deployment capacity (small, mid, large). Target returns are hypothetical and are neither guarantees nor predictions or projections of future performance. Future performance indications and financial market scenarios are no guarantee of current or future performance. There can be no assurance that such target gross IRRs will be achieved or that the investment will be able to implement its investment strategy, achieve its investment objectives or avoid substantial losses. Further information regarding IRR calculation is available upon request. Gross IRR will ultimately be reduced by management fees, carried interest, taxes, and other fees and expenses. Data as of June 2018

### III. REVIEW OF PRIVATE DEBT PROGRAM

## WHAT HAS BEEN DONE SO FAR

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- In **April 2017** the CCCERA Board **approved a Private Debt mandate** and selected **StepStone as implementation partner**
- StepStone and CCCERA management **worked closely to establish investment guidelines**, the **implementation** of the mandate **started in H2 2017** and the first separately managed account started investing in Q2 2018
- During bi-weekly calls and regular in-person meetings, investment opportunities are discussed and an exchange of observations and market information is facilitated
- As of June 30, 2020, the portfolio has been invested in line with the agreed upon investment guidelines: **US\$700m has been committed to Core managers**, **US\$145m has been committed to Satellite funds** and **US\$77m cumulatively has been funded to co-investments including recycled capital**. Total funded investments are US\$598m as of June 30, 2020
- StepStone regularly provides detailed insights and proposals to topics such as **regulatory capital, specialty finance, real estate credit, opportunistic and distressed debt** and other opportunities

## OUTLOOK Q4 2020 - 2021

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- We continue the implementation as defined in close coordination with the CIO and the investment team
- Potentially a 4th core SMA will be launched during H1 2021
- 3 additional primary fund commitments are planned through 2H 2020 and 2021
- StepStone will continue to recycle capital for co-investments as investments are repaid

## CCCERA INVESTMENT STRATEGY

Support CCCERA in building a top performing global private debt portfolio by leveraging StepStone’s research-intensive approach to invest opportunistically in high quality managers with long-term view of earning a 10% yield on investments over a cycle

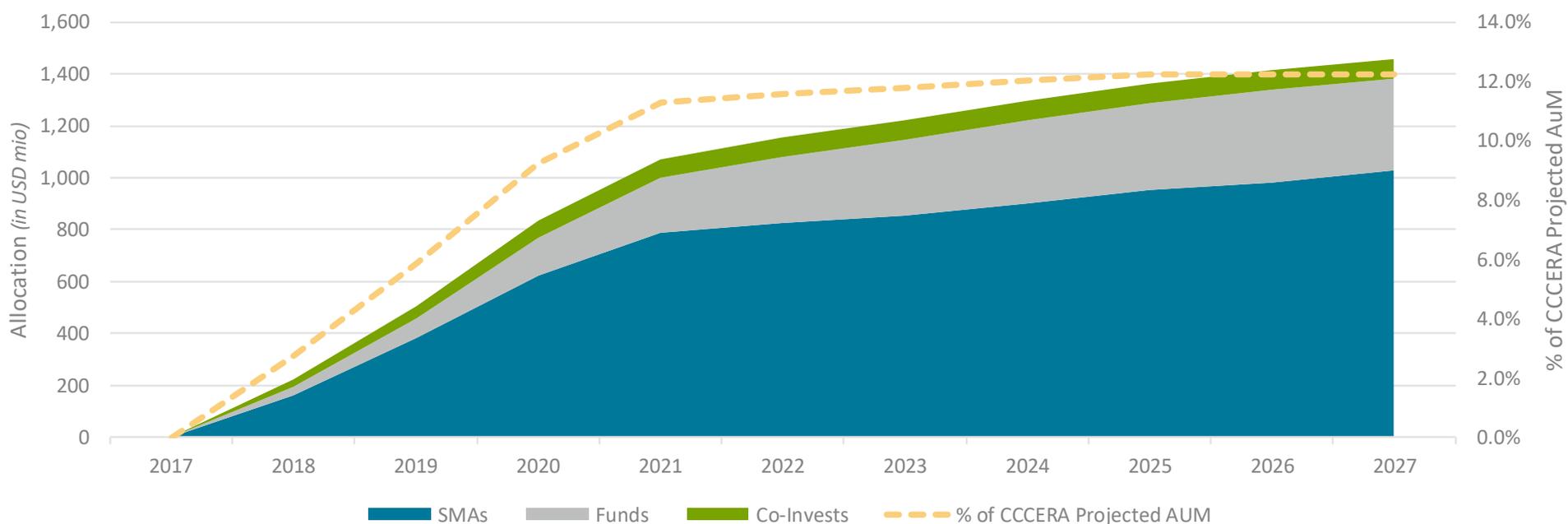
### CONTRA COSTA COUNTY ERA’S (CCCERA) INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES

TARGET ASSET ALLOCATION	Up to 12% of CCCERA’s total AuM
ELIGIBLE ASSET CLASSES	Mainly corporate debt but other asset classes such as real estate debt are not excluded
SUB ASSET CLASSES	Non-first lien debt: Max US\$300m Non-corporate debt: Max US\$300m
RETURN OBJECTIVES	Target net IRR of approximately 10% over a cycle
CASH YIELD / DISTRIBUTION	Not primary focus, but welcomed
GEOGRAPHIC PREFERENCE	Global (weighted towards North America)
IMPLEMENTATION	SMA’s, primaries, co-investment and secondaries
FLEXIBILITY	Retain flexibility to control and steer allocations over time, especially through or post down cycles

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- In conjunction with the CCCERA investment team, the ramp up of the portfolio was elongated to 3-4 years and pacing remains on target

## Investment Pacing



## H2 2020 - 2021 Priorities

- Commit approximately US\$150m to 1 new SMA
- Commit approximately US\$120m to 3 new primary funds
- Continue to recycle co-investments

For illustrative purposes only.  
Source: General Partners and StepStone.

# Activity Report<sup>1</sup>

Close coordination has been achieved over the last twelve months through:

- 26 bi-weekly progress and coordination calls
- 1 in-person meeting at CCCERA offices discussing portfolio construction
- Various ad-hoc discussions on specific topics

Core	Satellite	Co-invest / Secondaries
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Arranged and co-hosted 3 DD visits to pre-selected GPs</li> <li>• Completed a \$100m upsize with a Core Manager</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reviewed 15 different opportunities in 4 different asset classes</li> <li>• Arranged and co-hosted various due diligence meetings for CCCERA team members</li> <li>• Currently discussing opportunities on the back of COVID-19</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reviewed 111 single co-investment opportunities</li> <li>• Invested in 5 new co-investments as of August 14, 2020</li> </ul>

1. All figures LTM as of August 14, 2020

## IV. PRIVATE DEBT PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE

# Private Debt Performance Summary



- CCCERA's private debt portfolio includes US\$827m in commitments to 24 investments as of March 31, 2020: 3 SMAs, 4 Primary Funds and 17 Co-Investments<sup>1</sup>
- As of December 31, 2019, the portfolio was on track and generated a net gain of US\$37m year-over-year leading to a 1-year Gross IRR of 11.3% and Net IRR of 10.7%
- Due to markdowns in the first quarter of 2020 as a result of COVID-19, the portfolio generated a net gain of US\$5m year-over-year, resulting in a temporary reduction in Gross IRR
- The temporary decline in Q1 2020 IRR was primarily driven by non-cash valuation adjustments. There was no material impact to cash yield generated by the portfolio in Q1 2020. Preliminary Q2 2020 valuations indicate a rebound in valuations and an improvement in gross IRR

US\$ in millions	March 31, 2020	March 31, 2019	December 31, 2019
<b>Performance Statistics</b>			
Number of Managers	18	12	15
Number of Borrowers <sup>2</sup>	234	117	223
Committed Capital	\$827	\$641	\$820
NAV	\$519	\$259	\$503
Target Gross IRR	> 10.0%	> 10.0%	> 10.0%
Gross IRR <sup>3</sup>	4.1%	11.8%	11.1%
<b>Portfolio Statistics</b>			
Leverage <sup>2</sup>	4.6x	4.1x	4.5x
EBITDA <sup>2</sup>	\$45.7	\$38.9	\$43.0
Traditional 1 <sup>st</sup> Lien and Unitranche <sup>2</sup>	99.7%	99.8%	99.6%
% of closed deals w/ one or more Covenants <sup>4</sup>	97.2%	98.0%	98.2%

1. Four co-investments have been realized since the program's inception.

2. Data excludes investments in Real Estate Credit and Regulatory Capital. Co-investment portfolio data only includes current active investments.

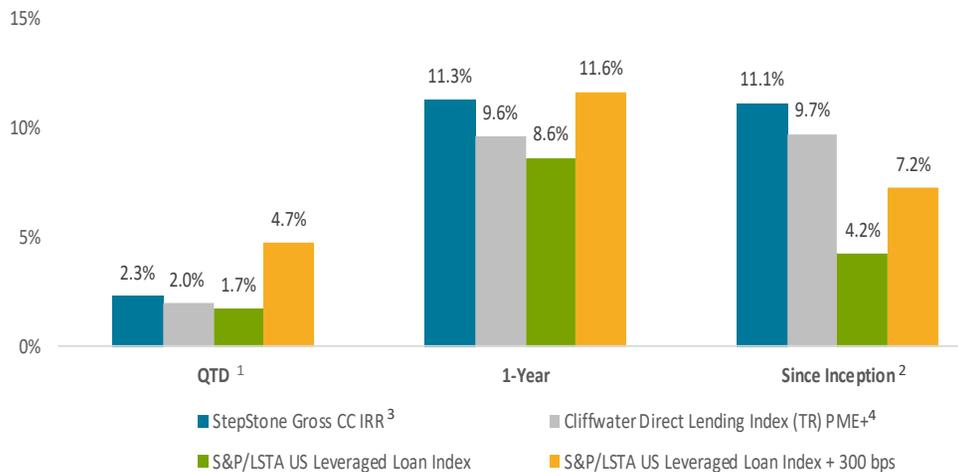
3. Since inception (as of 2/12/2018) Net LP IRR as of December 31, 2019 was 9.8% and as of March 31, 2020 was 3.0%.

4. 229 out of 234 borrowers have at least one covenant for the March 31, 2020 period.

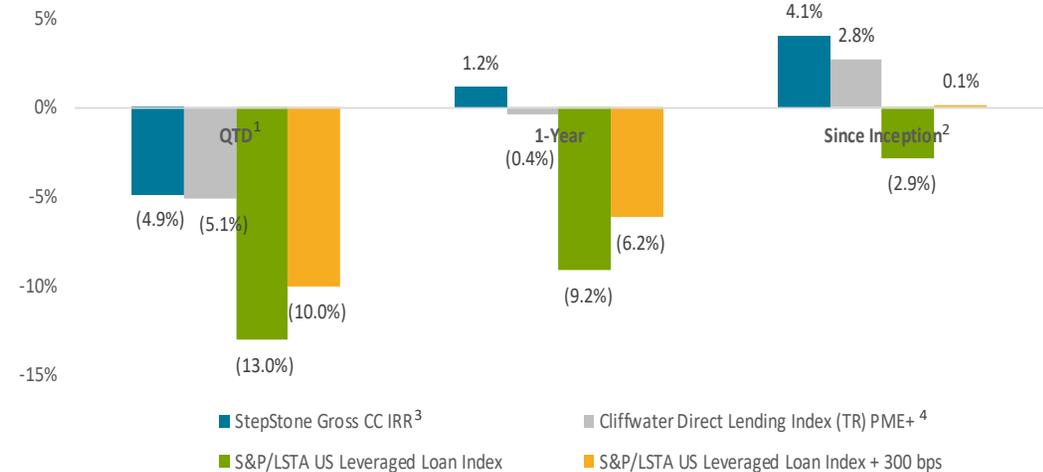
# Performance versus Benchmarks

- StepStone CC portfolio has outperformed the benchmarks through March 31, 2020, despite the negative impact of COVID-19 during Q1 2020
- COVID-19’s impact to Q1 2020 performance has dampened returns. However, the volatility was limited and, as expected, much less than liquid asset classes

Benchmark Comparison - As of December 31, 2019



Benchmark Comparison - As of March 31, 2020



1. QTD IRR is not annualized.

2. Inception represents date of first capital call on 2/12/2018.

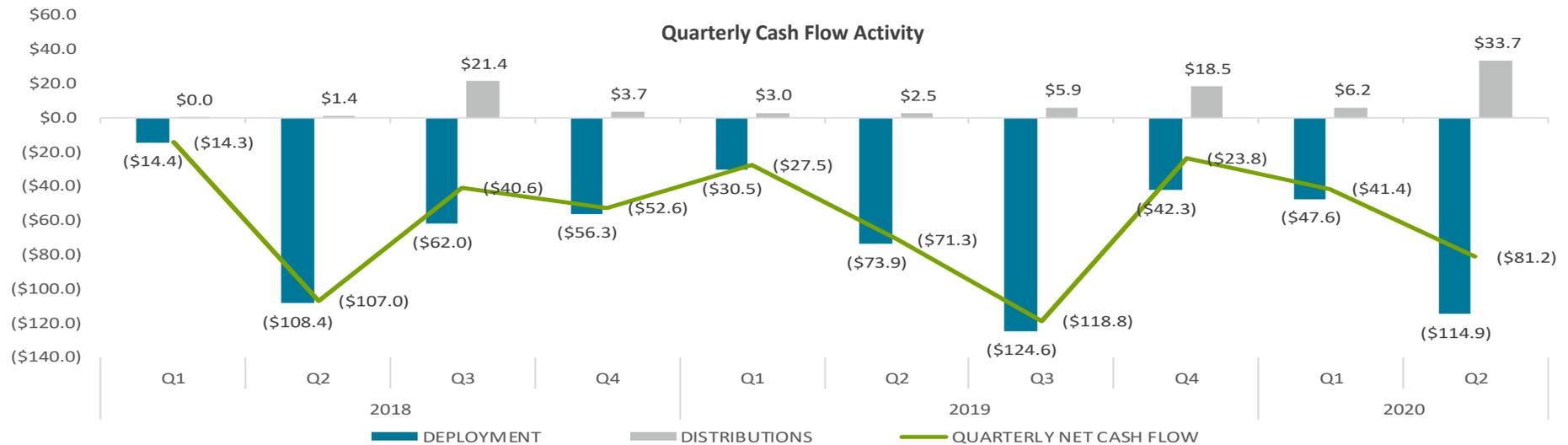
3. StepStone CC IRR is net of underlying fund and investment fees, but not net of StepStone Advisory fees.

4. Cliffwater Direct Lending Index Total Return (TR) PME+ starts with the Long Nickels calculations and represents the opportunity cost comparison of how funds would have performed had they been invested in the public index using a coefficient to scale the fund’s distributions so that the public market theoretical valuation remains positive.

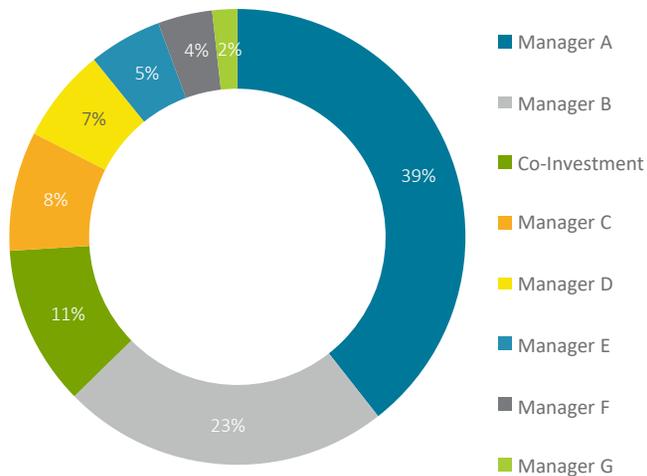
Notes: The indices is shown for general market comparison and is not meant to represent any particular fund. An investor cannot directly invest in an index. Moreover, indices do not reflect commissions or fees that may be charged to an investment product based on the index, which may materially affect the performance data presented. Returns under one year are unannualized.

# Cash Flow Analysis – Fund Level

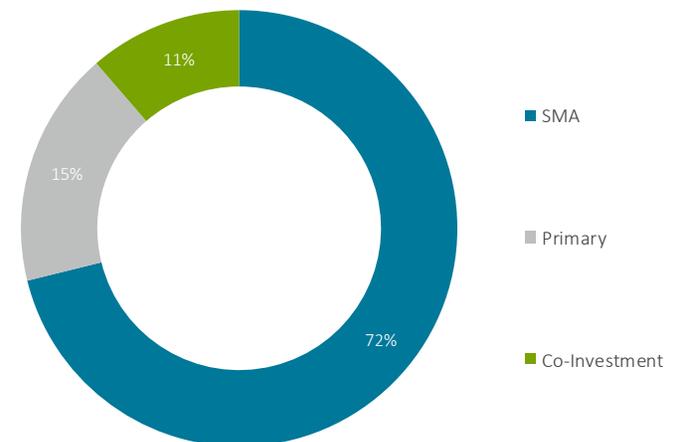
- Year-to-date as of June 30, 2020, the Fund deployed US\$162.4m to underlying investments
- 39% of capital since inception has been deployed with Manager A



Since Inception<sup>1</sup>: Deployment by Manager



Since Inception<sup>1</sup>: Deployment by Investment Structure Type

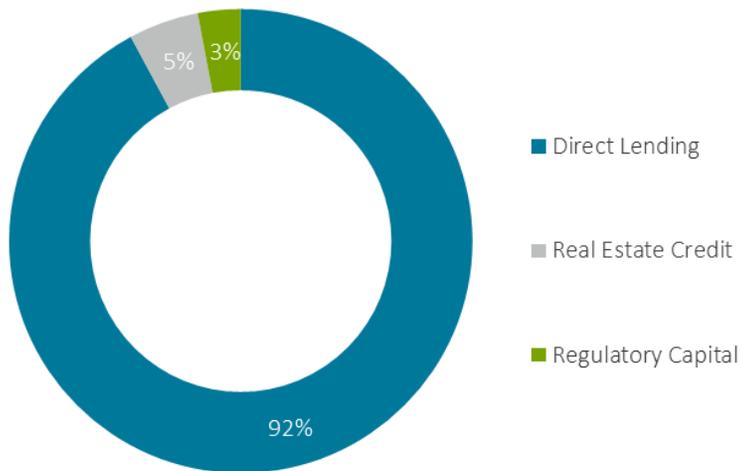


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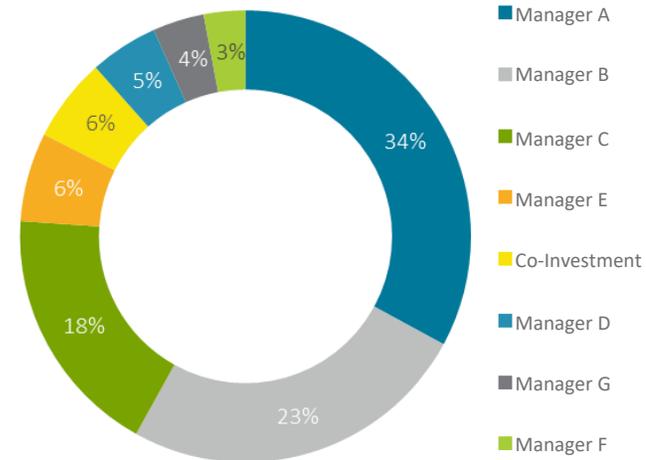
# Portfolio Composition and Exposure<sup>1</sup>

## Fund Level Exposure

By Strategy

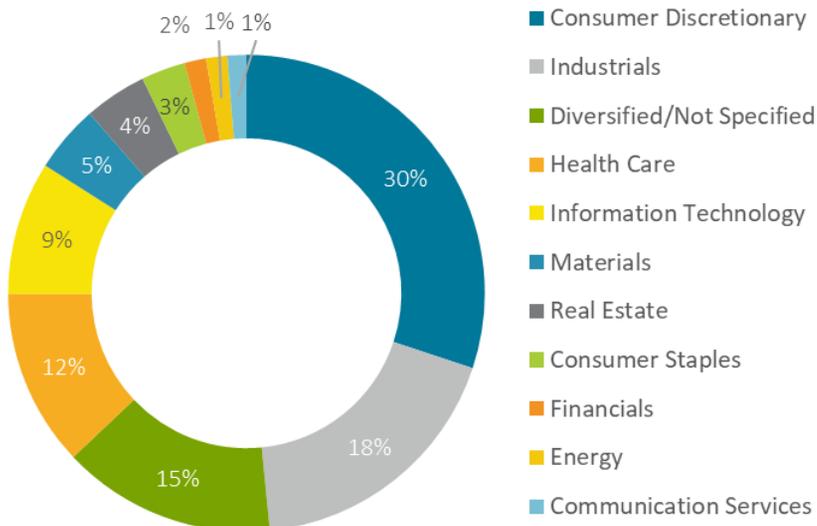


By Manager<sup>2</sup>

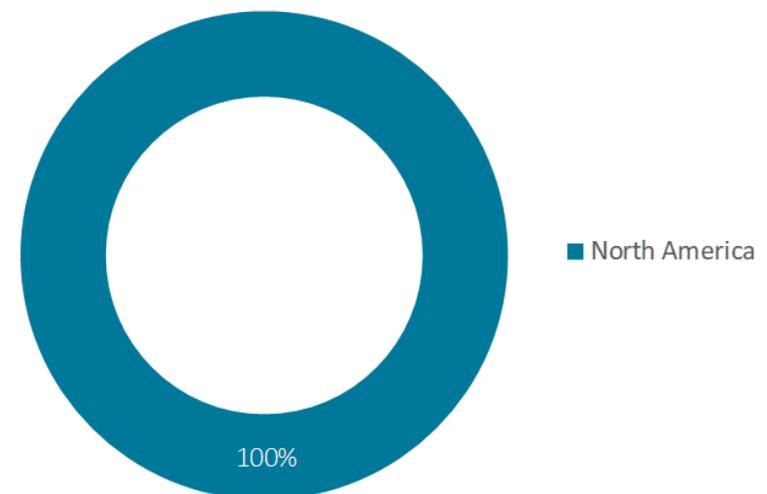


## Underlying Look-Through Exposure<sup>3</sup>

By Sector



By Geography



Data as of March 31, 2020.

1. Exposure represents the sum of the (i) unfunded balance and the (ii) fair market value as provided by the general partner.
2. Managers represented for co-investments have brought their respective deals forward.
3. Diversified/Not Specified consists of Other and Diversified assets not specified by the underlying managers.

**Risks Associated with Investments.** Identifying attractive investment opportunities and the right underlying fund managers is difficult and involves a high degree of uncertainty. There is no assurance that the investments will be profitable and there is a substantial risk that losses and expenses will exceed income and gains.

**Restrictions on Transfer and Withdrawal; Illiquidity of Interests; Interests Not Registered.** The investment is highly illiquid and subject to transfer restrictions and should only be acquired by an investor able to commit its funds for a significant period of time and to bear the risk inherent in such investment, with no certainty of return. Interests in the investment have not been and will not be registered under the laws of any jurisdiction. Investment has not been recommended by any securities commission or regulatory authority. Furthermore, the aforementioned authorities have not confirmed the accuracy or determined the adequacy of this document.

**Limited Diversification of Investments.** The investment opportunity does not have fixed guidelines for diversification and may make a limited number of investments.

**Reliance on Third Parties.** StepStone will require, and rely upon, the services of a variety of third parties, including but not limited to attorneys, accountants, brokers, custodians, consultants and other agents and failure by any of these third parties to perform their duties could have a material adverse effect on the investment.

**Reliance on Managers.** The investment will be highly dependent on the capabilities of the managers.

**Risk Associated with Portfolio Companies.** The environment in which the investors directly or indirectly invests will sometimes involve a high degree of business and financial risk. StepStone generally will not seek control over the management of the portfolio companies in which investments are made, and the success of each investment generally will depend on the ability and success of the management of the portfolio company.

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**Conflicts of Interest.** Conflicts of interest may arise between StepStone and investors. Certain potential conflicts of interest are described below; however, they are by no means exhaustive. There can be no assurance that any particular conflict of interest will be resolved in favor of an investor.

**Allocation of Investment Opportunities.** StepStone currently makes investments, and in the future will make investments, for separate accounts having overlapping investment objectives. In making investments for separate accounts, these accounts may be in competition for investment opportunities.

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# Risk Diversifying Sub-Portfolio Review

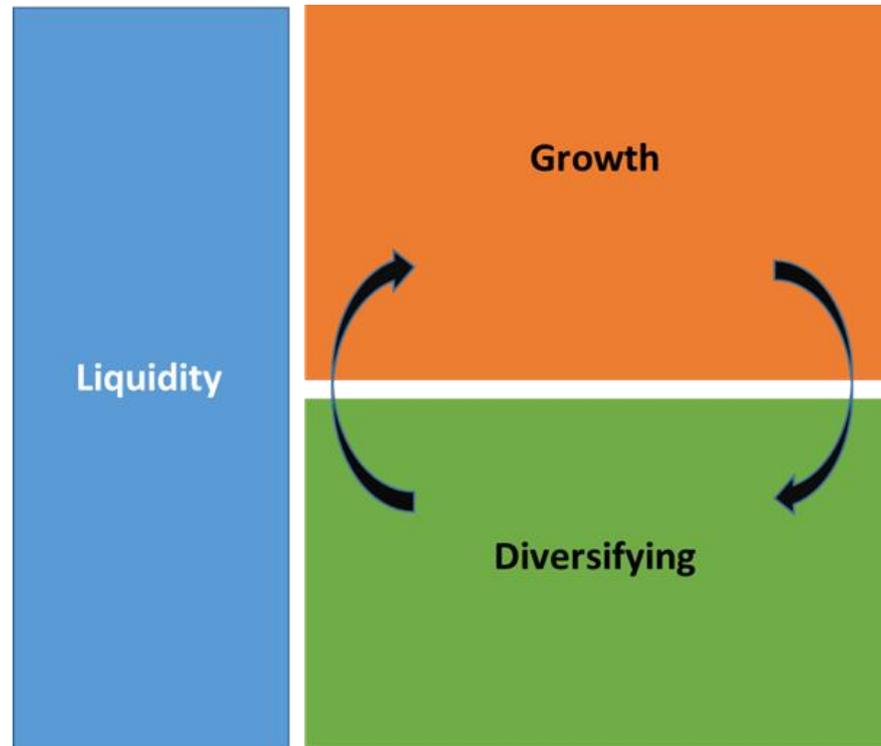
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# Review of Risk Diversifying Sub-Portfolio

1. Role of Risk Diversifying in CCCERA portfolio
2. Features of diversifying assets
3. Structure of Risk Diversifying allocation
4. CCCERA performance
5. Potential programmatic enhancements

# Role of Risk Diversifying

- Downside protection to help buffer the large growth allocation
- Liquid pool of capital to capture stressed growth opportunities



# Features of Risk Diversifying Strategies

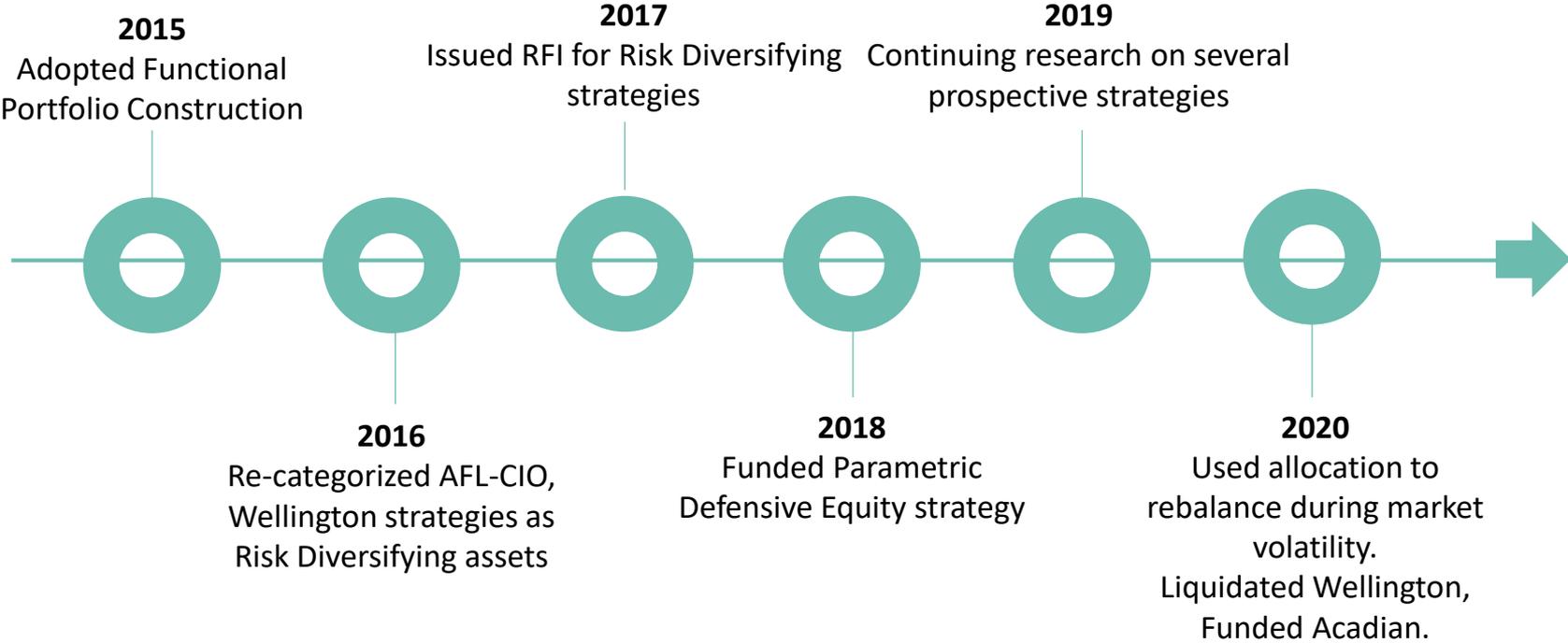
Quality	Rationale
Low to negative correlation with growth assets	Act as diversifying offset to CCCERA's large growth (equity) allocation
High liquidity during periods of equity market stress	Must be able to redeploy these assets to capture opportunities in stressed environment.
Positive expected real return	We want strategies that can be held on a permanent basis without acting as a drag on overall expected returns

# Risk Diversifying Universe

Generally falls into two camps, explicit and implicit market hedges. We focus on implicit hedges.

Hedge Type	Example	Efficiency of Hedge	Opportunity Cost
Explicit	Tail risk hedge (buying equity put options)	High, creates an explicit positive payoff when equity market conditions deteriorate	High, essentially an insurance premium is paid every month that the puts expire worthless
Implicit	US government guaranteed debt	Medium, not an explicit negative correlation, typically an uncorrelated return	Medium-low. Should have an economic rationale for a positive expected return

# Evolution of Risk Diversifying Allocation



# CCCERA Performance

As of June 30, 2020

Objective	Measurement	Current Period Data	Status
Offset Volatility in Growth Portfolio	Correlation	0.7 over trailing 5 years	Below Expectations
Positive Real Returns	Returns	Trailing 5yr real return of -1.4%	Below Expectations
High Liquidity	% of Portfolio that can be liquidated within 90 days	100%	Meeting Expectations



# Performance Under Stress



## **Raised cash during stress in equity markets**

Liquidated Wellington (~\$180 mm) in early April and May 2020

\$75 mm redemption from AFL-CIO in May 2020



## **Deployed into credit and equity opportunities**



## **Took profits from rebalancing activities during annual rebalancing in late July**

Funded Acadian MAARS in early August

# Current Asset Allocation

Strategy	Allocation as of 8/4/20	Current Target Allocation
AFL-CIO Housing Investment Trust	2.9%	3.0%
Parametric Defensive Equity	1.9%	2.0%
Acadian MAARS	1.1%	1.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>5.9%</b>	<b>6.5%</b>

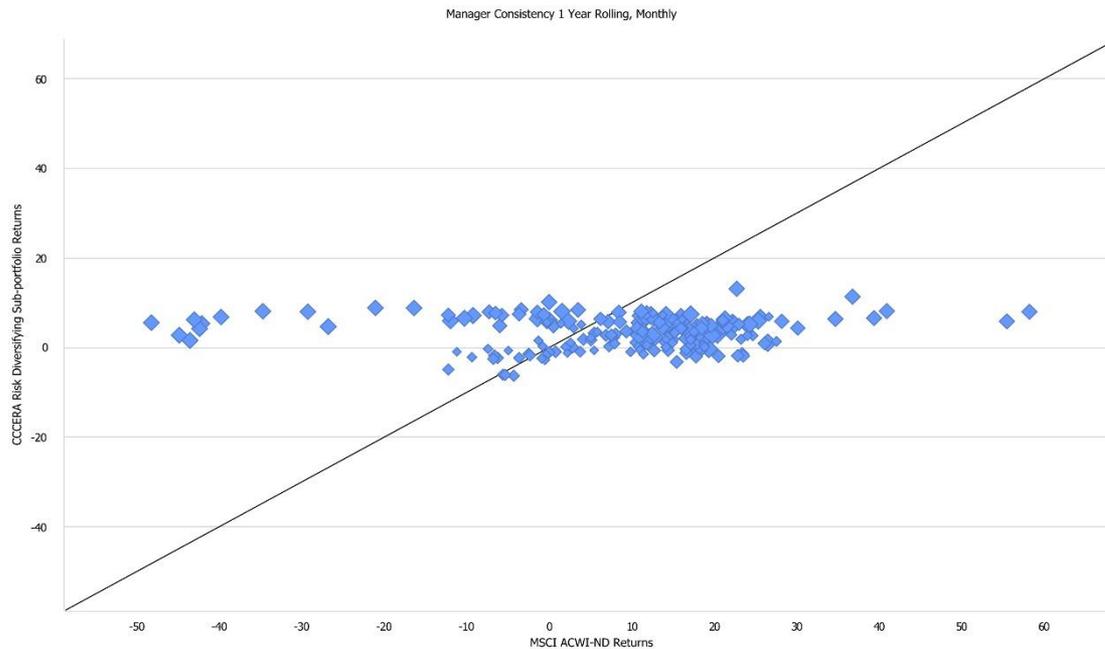
# CCCERA Performance

Preliminary as of June 30, 2020 (Net)

Asset Class	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years
<b>Risk Diversifying</b>	<b>-1.3%</b>	<b>0.7%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>
AFL-CIO HIT	7.0%	4.7%	3.8%
Parametric Defensive Equity	-11.0%	-	-



# Risk Diversifying vs. MSCI ACWI



Risk Diversifying trailing one-year performance vs. MSCI ACWI (global equity) index.

Demonstrates low correlation and modest positive performance historically.

As Of: June 30, 2020

	# of Observations	# OutPerform Benchmark	% OutPerform Benchmark
◆ CCCERA	188	51	27.13%
— MSCI ACWI-ND	---	---	---

Results displayed in USD using Spot Rate (SR).

MSCI ACWI-ND

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# Future Enhancements



Identifying complementary strategies is a priority for the CCCERA investment team



Currently researching three types strategies for potential inclusion:

Multi-asset absolute return strategies

Fixed income opportunities

Alternative risk premia



Expect to fund 1-2 new strategies by 2Q21

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Enterprise Risk Tolerance Assessment for

**Contra Costa County Employees' Retirement Association**

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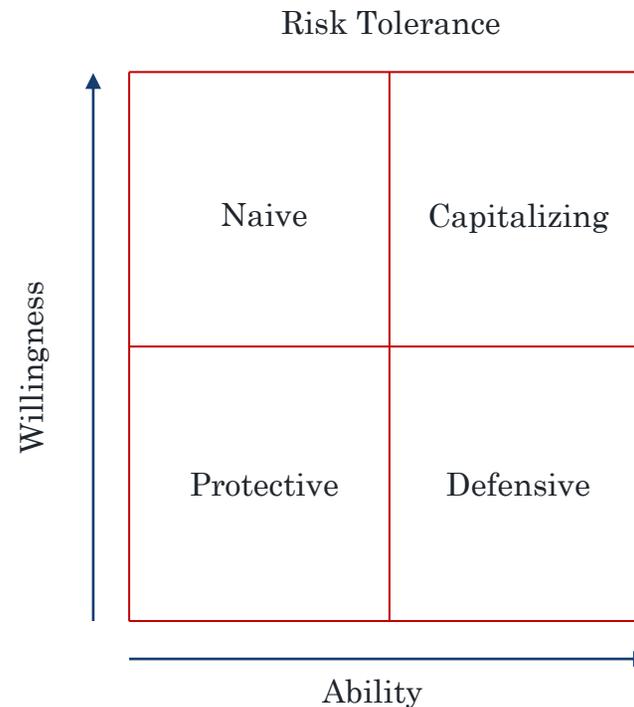
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# I. Introduction

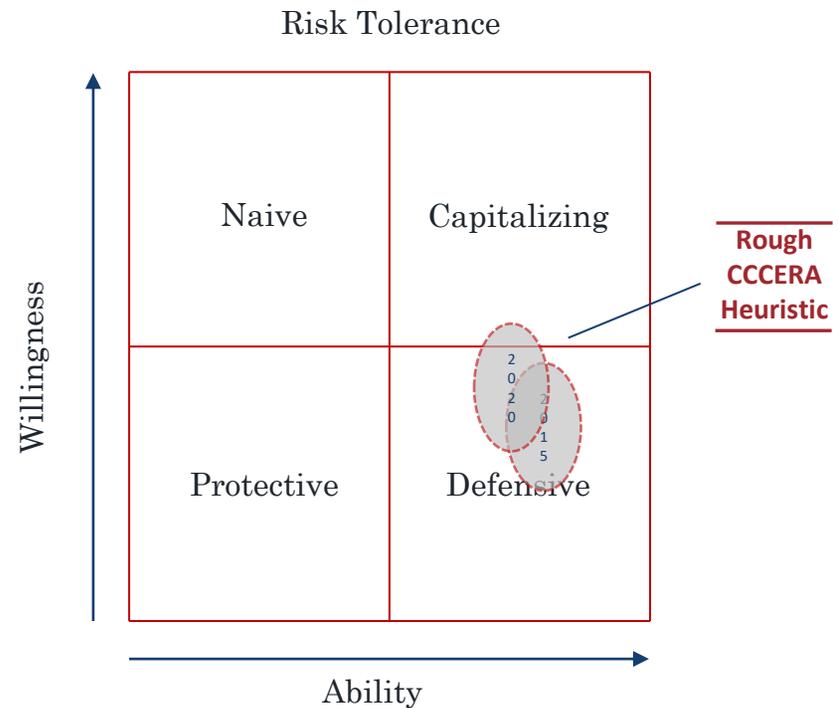
# Enterprise Risk Tolerance in Context

- Properly assessing Enterprise Risk Tolerance has important and practical implications for investment strategy development.
- Identifying the appropriate risk tolerance for a plan involves viewing risk in terms of the Plan's willingness and ability to bear risk.
- The ability to bear risk depends on financial circumstances while the willingness to bear risk is generally based on investor's attitudes and beliefs about investments.
- Although the CCCERA Board's duty is to the beneficiaries of the Association, assessing the County's financial situation and ability to make contributions to the Pension is one component in evaluating the Plan's ability to take on risk.
- In today's session, we review CCCERA's willingness and ability to incur investment risk, based on our findings from recent Trustee and Staff interviews, as well as an assessment of the financial health of the Plan sponsor.



# Observations

- Plan sponsor health remains high (as reflected in fiscal fitness of Contra Costa County), notwithstanding incremental risk associated with global pandemic:
  - High credit rating;
  - Manageable debt load;
  - Diversified employer base and low unemployment; and
  - Steadily growing revenue.
- Survey responses indicate similar willingness to accept risk as compared to original study conducted in 2015 but with a modest increase in collective risk tolerance:
  - Reduction in peer risk;
  - Increase in willingness to deviate from the herd; and
  - Broad agreement that key-person risk exists within investment staff (i.e., CIO).
- Unanimously high confidence in governance structure.
- Sense that additional study on appropriate size of liquidity reserve is warranted.



# II. Plan Sponsor Review

# Credit Ratings

- Moody's assigned the County an issuer rating in the High Quality Investment Grade category and the County's POBs fall within the Upper-Medium grade.
- S&P's Issuer Credit Rating for the County is highest issued by the company and the POBs rating was upgraded to this highest rating in February 2018.
- Both firms assigned the County's ratings a Stable outlook, which has been unchanged since 2007.

## Strengths

- Large, diverse tax base
- Strong resident wealth levels
- Quick payout of general fund and lease obligations
- Improved fiscal position relative to similarly rated credits.

## Challenges

- Notable but manageable social service burden
- Combined lease and pension obligations, which are among the highest relative to similarly rated credits

	Moody's	S&P
CCC Issuer Rating	Aa2	AAA
Pension Obligation Bonds	A1	AAA

County Issuer Ratings, POBs, and Revenue Relative to Other Counties

	S&P	Moody's	Pension Funded Ratio	Outstanding POBs (000s)	County Revenue (000s)	POB to Revenue	Funded Ratio as of FY
Alameda	AAA	Aaa	77.2%	\$0	\$3,377,159	0.00%	12/31/2018
San Diego	AAA	Aaa	76.3%	\$508,765	\$4,895,069	10.39%	6/30/2019
<b>Contra Costa</b>	<b>AAA</b>	<b>Aa2</b>	<b>89.3%</b>	<b>\$176,325</b>	<b>\$3,630,142</b>	<b>4.86%</b>	<b>12/31/2018</b>
Los Angeles	AAA	Aa2	80.6%	\$0	\$27,813,219	0.00%	6/30/2018
Orange	AA+	Aa1	72.4%	\$5,445	\$4,503,391	0.12%	12/31/2018
Riverside	AA	Aa3	82.5%	\$243,850	\$4,741,792	5.14%	6/30/2018
Sacramento	AA-	A2	82.6%	\$862,383	\$3,300,233	26.13%	6/30/2019
San Bernardino	AA+	Aa3	80.0%	\$442,351	\$4,724,352	9.36%	6/30/2019
Santa Clara	AA+	A1	71.4%	\$352,379	\$3,874,914	9.09%	6/30/2019

Sources:

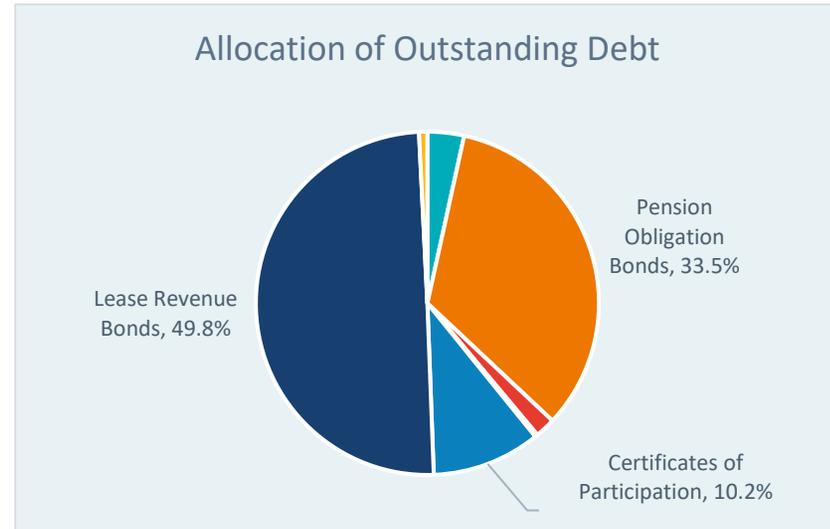
Contra Costa County CAFR FY 6/30/19

Funded Ratio from each respective County's ERS/ERA PAFR as of FY Ended in table

Revenue and POB data from each respective County's CAFR as of FY Ended 6/30/19

# Long-Term Obligations

- The county’s legal General Obligation bonded debt limit is 5% of the value of taxable property (taxable property is also commonly referred to as assessed value).
- The county’s assessed value is \$196.4 billion, and the legal debt limit is approximately \$9.8 billion.
- Total long-term debt obligations for the county is valued at \$525.7 million, well under the legal limit.
- Pension Obligation Bonds were issued in 2003 & 2005 and will mature in 2022 & 2023, respectively.
- If necessary, the County has the capacity to issue POBs to meet contribution requirements or to fund the unfunded liability.



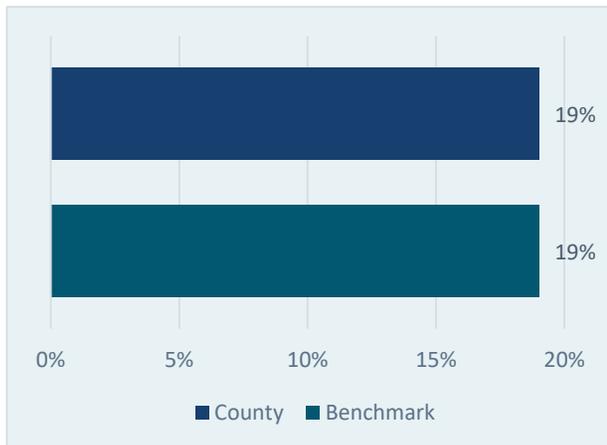
County's Outstanding Long-Term Debt	Value (in Thousands)	Allocation %
Capital Lease Obligations	18,121	3.4%
Pension Obligation Bonds	176,325	33.5%
Retirement Litigation Settlement	10,097	1.9%
Notes Payable	1,329	0.3%
Certificates of Participation	53,831	10.2%
Lease Revenue Bonds	261,825	49.8%
Special Assessment Debt	4,120	0.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>525,648</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: 2019 Contra Costa County CAFR and Contra Costa County 2017-18 Annual Debt Report

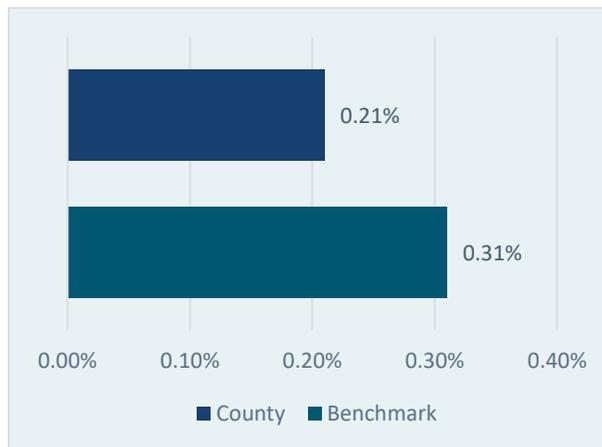
# Debt Ratios

- Total County debt is 19% of total revenues, which is in line with the median Large Urban California County.
- Total debt is 0.21% of the County’s assessed value (taxable property), well below the legal limit of 5%; also below the median Large Urban California County.
- Debt payments to the General Fund reserves is 5.2%, which is a higher ratio relative to the benchmark.

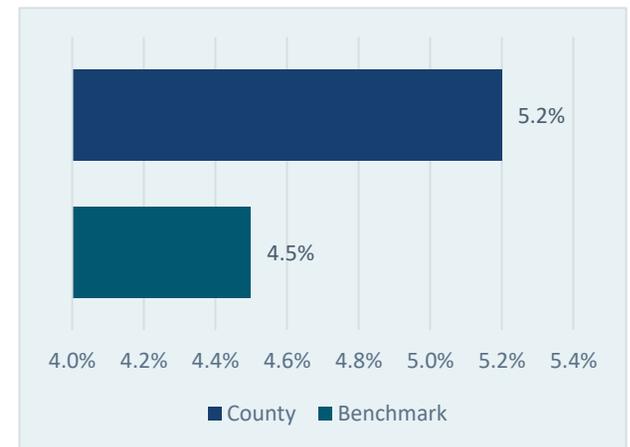
**DEBT AS % OF REVENUE**



**DEBT TO ASSESSED VALUE**



**DEBT PAYMENTS TO GENERAL FUND RESERVES**



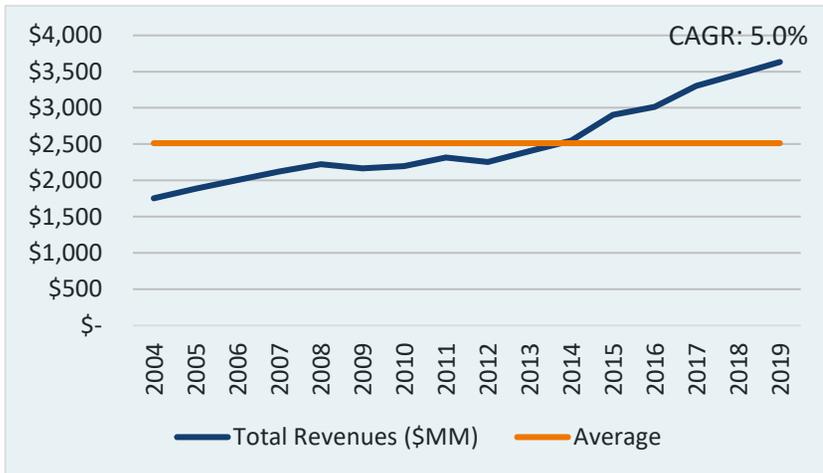
1. Source: Contra Costa County FY 2017-18 Debt Report

2. Benchmark: MDA’s Large Urban California County Median, Montague DeRose and Associates (MDA) is the County’s financial advisor and compiles a database for these measures

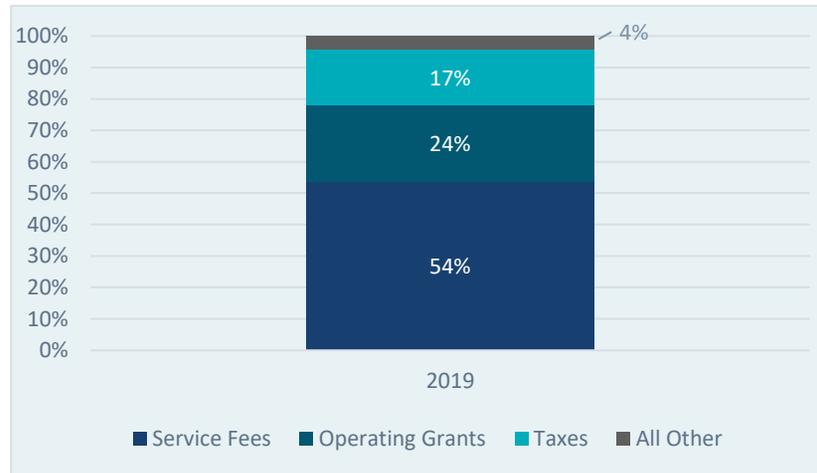
# County Revenues

- Total county revenues have increased steadily over the past 15 years to \$3.63 billion in Fiscal Year 2019
- The county’s primary revenue sources are Service Charges, Program Operating Grants, and Taxes (predominantly property tax), which together make up more than 95% of total county revenue
- Concern exists around COVID-19 impact on future revenue

REVENUE GROWTH

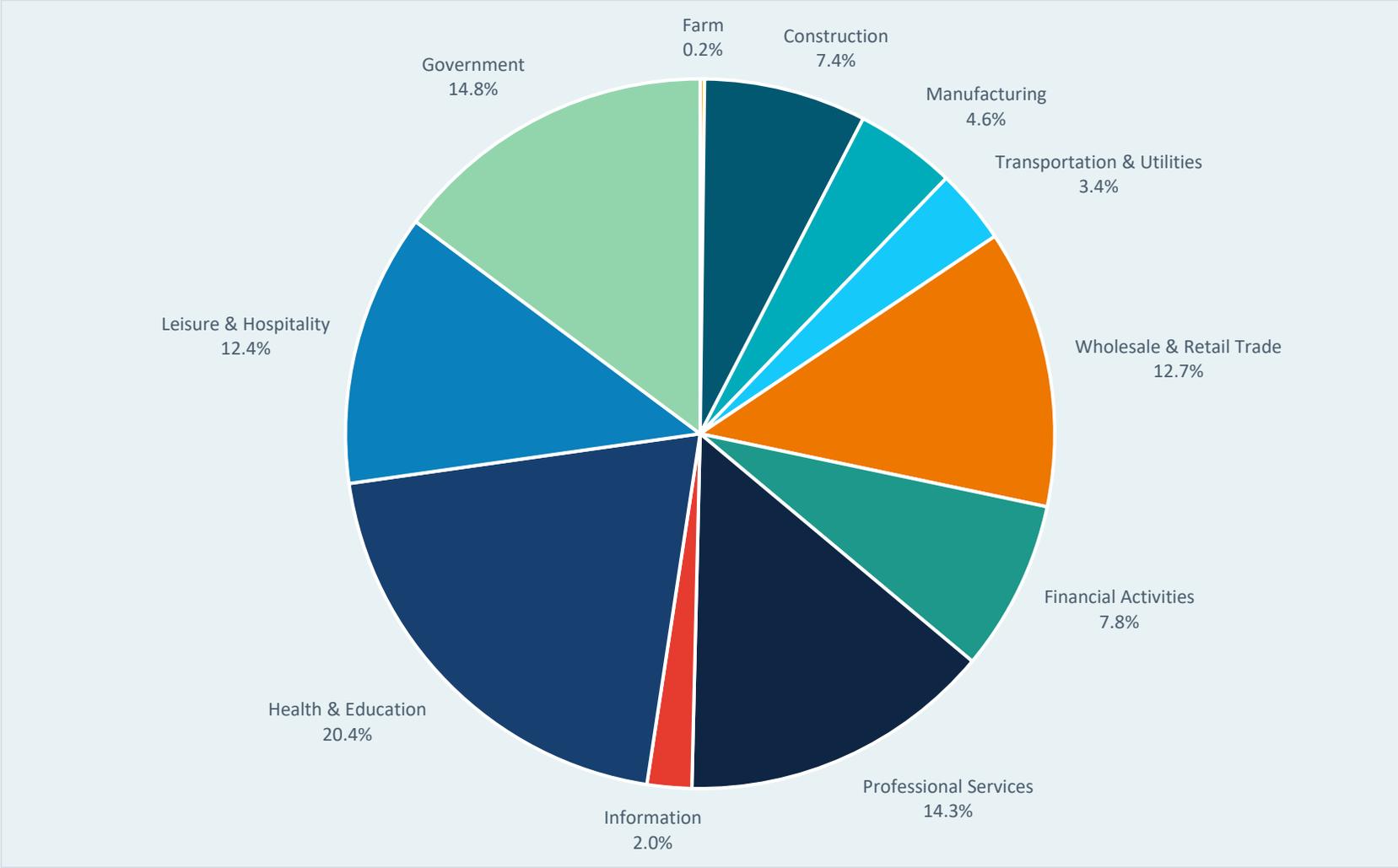


REVENUE MIX



Source: Contra Costa County CAFRs, 2005 to 2019

# Employment by Industry



Well-diversified employment base not highly dependent on any single industry.

Source: Current Employment Statistics - Contra Costa County <https://data.edd.ca.gov/Industry-Information-/Current-Employment-Statistics-Contra-Costa-County/drzy-6t46/data>

# Top Employers in the County

Employer Name	Location	Industry	Employer Size Class
Chevron Corp	San Ramon	Oil Refiners (Mfrs)	10,000+
Chevron Research & Technology	San Ramon	Service Stations-Gasoline & Oil	5,000 - 9,999
Bart	Richmond	Transit Lines	1,000 - 4,999
Bio-Rad Laboratories Inc	Hercules	Physicians & Surgeons Equip & Supls-Mfrs	1,000 - 4,999
Chevron Richmond Refinery	Richmond	Oil Refiners (Mfrs)	1,000 - 4,999
Contra-Costa Regional Med Ctr	Martinez	Hospitals	1,000 - 4,999
Job Connections	Danville	Personnel Consultants	1,000 - 4,999
John Muir Health Concord Med	Concord	Hospitals	1,000 - 4,999
John Muir Medical Ctr	Walnut Creek	Hospitals	1,000 - 4,999
Kaiser Permanente	Walnut Creek	Hospitals	1,000 - 4,999
Kaiser Permanente Antioch Med	Antioch	Hospitals	1,000 - 4,999
La Raza Market	Richmond	Grocers-Retail	1,000 - 4,999
Martinez Medical Offices	Martinez	Clinics	1,000 - 4,999
St Marys College	Moraga	Schools-Universities & Colleges Academic	1,000 - 4,999
Uss Posco Industries	Pittsburg	Steel Mills (mfrs)	1,000 - 4,999
Broadspectrum Americas	Richmond	Oil Refiners (Mfrs)	500 - 999
C&H Sugar Co Inc	Crockett	Sugar Refiners (Mfrs)	500 - 999
Nordstrom	Walnut Creek	Department Stores	500 - 999
Robert Half Intl	San Ramon	Employment Agencies & Opportunities	500 - 999
San Ramon Regional Medical Ctr	San Ramon	Hospitals	500 - 999
Santa Fe Pacific Pipe Lines	Richmond	Pipeline Companies	500 - 999
Shell Oil Products	Martinez	Oil & Gas Producers	500 - 999
Sutter Delta Medical Ctr	Antioch	Hospitals	500 - 999
Tesoro Golden Eagle Refinery	Pacheco	Service Stations-Gasoline & Oil	500 - 999
US Veterans Medical Ctr	Martinez	Outpatient Services	500 - 999

Source: State of California Employment Development Department. <http://www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov/majorer/countymajorer.asp?CountyCode=000013>

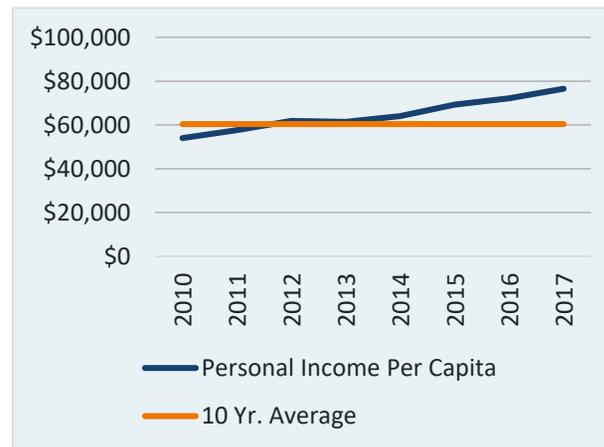
# Economic & Demographic Statistics

- Population growth has been relatively stable over the last 10 years averaging about 0.8%, even with a surge in 2015. The only year the county experienced negative population growth over that time frame was in 2011.
- Personal income per capita has been steadily increasing through the observation period and has been above the 10-year average since 2012.
- The unemployment rate has recovered from the highs following the Global Financial Crisis and recently reached record lows.

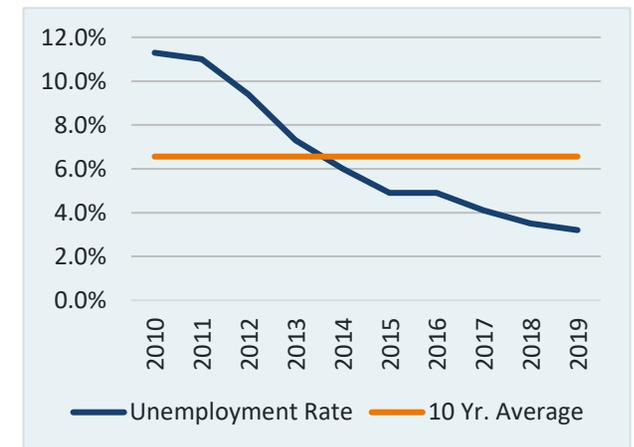
**POPULATION GROWTH**



**PERSONAL INCOME PER CAPITA**



**UNEMPLOYMENT RATE**



1. Source: Contra Costa County CAFRs, 2019

2. Personal income per capita not available FY End 2018 & 2019

# Summary

Overall, Contra Costa County demonstrates a strong position as a sponsor to the Plan with little risk (based on historical observations) of missing contributions.

- The County's credit ratings from Moody's and S&P are favorable.
- Long-Term debt obligations are well under the legal limit.
- Total Debt was less than 1/4 of revenue, indicating good coverage.
- County revenues have steadily increased since the GFC.
- Steady population growth and diverse employment is a good indicator of a solid tax base.
- Wild card remains with uncertain outlook resulting from impact of global pandemic.

# III. Interview Findings

# Mission and objectives

## Mission

- Complete consistency
  - Ensuring payment of promised benefits

## Objectives

- High consistency
  - Meet actuarial assumed rate of return
- Other considerations
  - Ensure assumed rate is appropriate
  - Maximize return given acceptable risk threshold
  - Increase funded status
  - Earn more than the rate of inflation
  - Minimize plan sponsor contribution volatility

# Time horizon

## Overall Plan

- High consistency
  - Very long-term (10+ years through “perpetuity”)

## Strategy evaluation

- Low consistency
  - Annual review
  - 2-6 years
  - 3-5 years
  - 5-7 years
  - >5 years
  - 7-20 years
  - Market cycle

Longer-term  
time horizon  
implies an  
increased  
ability to  
assume risk

# Time horizon (cont'd)

## Manager evaluation

### — Medium consistency

- Up to 3 years
- Roughly 3 years
- 3-5 years
- 3-7 years
- Market cycle
- More important to understand style and compare against pre-established expectations

# Investment philosophy

## Simple vs. complex

- High consistency
- General preference for simplicity with acceptance of complexity if convinced it will lead to a favorable outcome
- Sample responses
  - OK with reasonable level of complexity, as long as strategy is well understood
  - Too simple may lead to missed opportunities; too complex could get you in trouble
  - Not so complex that you can't explain it to plan constituents
  - As simple as possible; as complex as necessary

Complexity is ok if it is understood and can be explained

# Investment philosophy (cont'd)

## Active vs. passive

- Low consistency
  - Some strongly in favor of active
  - Some biased toward passive
  - Others open to either
- Sample responses
  - Prefer active; believe it leads to higher returns
  - The Plan has had success in picking active managers
  - Like active, but need to concentrate on net-of-fee results
  - OK with active, as long as they're getting the job done
  - Appreciation for passive has increased over time
  - Depends on the asset class

Differing views on active vs. passive investment management

# Investment philosophy (cont'd)

Thought leader vs. safety in numbers

- High consistency
- Generally comfortable with diverging from the herd if there is confidence in the investment thesis
- Sample responses
  - Don't need to be first, but likes creative thinking
  - Need to be well-educated and convinced of merits of new ideas before moving away from the herd

Comfort with moving away from the herd

# Investment philosophy (cont'd)

## Action vs. patience

Patient but attentive

- High consistency
- Bias towards patience with respect to broad market movements (comfortable with response to recent market dislocation)
- Willing to take action with managers if appropriate
- Sample responses
  - Patient, but looking to take advantage of opportunities when they come up
  - Patience when things align with expectations; not afraid to take action then they don't
  - Be patient, but have a strategy in place for when things go wrong
  - Patience follows experience

# Organizational risk

## Key person

- High consistency
- High risk associated with CIO departure
- Mitigated by institutional knowledge resident in Board and Consultant

## Board turnover

- High consistency
- Low risk due to low turnover and staggered terms

Key person  
risk is  
viewed as  
high

# Environmental risk

## Peer risk

- High consistency
- Most believe risk is low
- General acceptance of near-to-medium-term underperformance in favor of outperformance during market dislocations and long-term attainment of enterprise objectives
- Sample responses
  - Like to do better than peers, but not actively trying to compete
  - Not too concerned with peer comparisons; high confidence in FFP strategy

Peer risk is viewed as low

# Governance structure

- High consistency
- Generally, very comfortable with level of delegation of authority and how that is evolved over time
- General view that information received is sufficient to facilitate execution of fiduciary duty
- High confidence in investment and administrative staff

Confidence  
in  
governance  
structure

# Liquidity reserve sufficiency

- High consistency
- General view that 3-4 years is about right
- Some requested supporting analysis to determine if a change is appropriate

Need a  
better sense  
of  
opportunity  
cost

# Appendix

# Moody's Credit Ratings

- Aaa** Obligations rated Aaa are judged to be of the highest quality, with minimal credit risk.
- Aa** Obligations rated Aa are judged to be of high quality and are subject to very low credit risk.
- A** Obligations rated A are considered upper-medium grade and are subject to low credit risk.
- Baa** Obligations rated Baa are subject to moderate credit risk. They are considered medium-grade and as such may possess certain speculative characteristics.
- Ba** Obligations rated Ba are judged to have speculative elements and are subject to substantial credit risk.
- B** Obligations rated B are considered speculative and are subject to high credit risk.
- Caa** Obligations rated Caa are judged to be of poor standing and are subject to very high credit risk.
- Ca** Obligations rated Ca are highly speculative and are likely in, or very near, default, with some prospect of recovery of principal and interest.
- C** Obligations rated C are the lowest rated class of bonds and are typically in default, with little prospect for recovery of principal or interest.

**Note:** Moody's appends numerical modifiers 1, 2, and 3 to each generic rating classification from Aa through Caa. The modifier 1 indicates that the obligation ranks in the higher end of its generic rating category; the modifier 2 indicates a mid-range ranking; and the modifier 3 indicates a ranking in the lower end of that generic rating category.

1. Source: Moody's rating Symbols & Definitions

# S&P Credit Rating Definitions

Long-Term Issuer Credit Ratings*	
Category	Definition
AAA	An obligor rated 'AAA' has extremely strong capacity to meet its financial commitments. 'AAA' is the highest issuer credit rating assigned by Standard & Poor's.
AA	An obligor rated 'AA' has very strong capacity to meet its financial commitments. It differs from the highest-rated obligors only to a small degree.
A	An obligor rated 'A' has strong capacity to meet its financial commitments but is somewhat more susceptible to the adverse effects of changes in circumstances and economic conditions than obligors in higher-rated categories.
BBB	An obligor rated 'BBB' has adequate capacity to meet its financial commitments. However, adverse economic conditions or changing circumstances are more likely to lead to a weakened capacity of the obligor to meet its financial commitments.
BB; B; CCC; and CC	Obligor rated 'BB', 'B', 'CCC', and 'CC' are regarded as having significant speculative characteristics. 'BB' indicates the least degree of speculation and 'CC' the highest. While such obligors will likely have some quality and protective characteristics, these may be outweighed by large uncertainties or major exposures to adverse conditions.
BB	An obligor rated 'BB' is less vulnerable in the near term than other lower-rated obligors. However, it faces major ongoing uncertainties and exposure to adverse business, financial, or economic conditions which could lead to the obligor's inadequate capacity to meet its financial commitments.
B	An obligor rated 'B' is more vulnerable than the obligors rated 'BB', but the obligor currently has the capacity to meet its financial commitments. Adverse business, financial, or economic conditions will likely impair the obligor's capacity or willingness to meet its financial commitments.
CCC	An obligor rated 'CCC' is currently vulnerable, and is dependent upon favorable business, financial, and economic conditions to meet its financial commitments.
CC	An obligor rated 'CC' is currently highly vulnerable. The 'CC' rating is used when a default has not yet occurred, but Standard & Poor's expects default to be a virtual certainty, regardless of the anticipated time to default.
R	An obligor rated 'R' is under regulatory supervision owing to its financial condition. During the pendency of the regulatory supervision the regulators may have the power to favor one class of obligations over others or pay some obligations and not others.
SD and D	An obligor rated 'SD' (selective default) or 'D' is in default on one or more of its financial obligations including rated and unrated financial obligations but excluding hybrid instruments classified as regulatory capital or in non-payment according to terms. An obligor is considered in default unless Standard & Poor's believes that such payments will be made within five business days of the due date in the absence of a stated grace period, or within the earlier of the stated grace period or 30 calendar days. A 'D' rating is assigned when Standard & Poor's believes that the default will be a general default and that the obligor will fail to pay all or substantially all of its obligations as they come due. An 'SD' rating is assigned when Standard & Poor's believes that the obligor has selectively defaulted on a specific issue or class of obligations but it will continue to meet its payment obligations on other issues or classes of obligations in a timely manner. An obligor's rating is lowered to 'D' or 'SD' if it is conducting a distressed exchange offer.
NR	An issuer designated 'NR' is not rated.

\*The ratings from 'AA' to 'CCC' may be modified by the addition of a plus (+) or minus (-) sign to show relative standing within the major rating categories.

1. Source: Standard and Poor's Ratings Definitions. [http://www.standardandpoors.com/en\\_US/web/guest/article/-/view/sourceId/504352](http://www.standardandpoors.com/en_US/web/guest/article/-/view/sourceId/504352)



Meeting Date  
**09/23/20**  
Agenda Item  
**#8**

## MEMORANDUM

Date: September 23, 2020  
To: CCCERA Board of Retirement  
From: Gail Strohl, Chief Executive Officer  
Subject: Consider and take possible action to authorize the CEO to execute a contract with ICON Integration and Design, Inc. for data cleansing services.

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### Overview

CCCERA has been working with Segal in making preparations for the possible conversion to a new pension administration system. This new system will allow for additional operational efficiencies and effectiveness that will ultimately improve the member experience.

On June 24, 2020, the Board of Retirement approved the issuance of a request for proposal (RFP) for data cleansing services, with the goal of identifying a vendor to work on the project prior to the beginning of the conversion to a new pension administration system.

On July 10, 2020 an RFP was issued for Data Services – Analysis/Cleansing/Conversion.

CCCERA received proposals from these respondents:

1. ICON Integration and Design, Inc.
2. Viviente
3. Worldwide TechServices Software Solutions

The CCCERA PAS Oversight Team evaluated proposals in concert with Segal, based on these criteria; 1) respondent's qualifications, 2) cost, 3) proposed methodologies for analysis, cleaning and conversion and staffing, and 4) reference checks. ICON Integration and Design, Inc. was selected as the finalist based on these criteria, including its experience working on similar projects with other pension systems.

It is anticipated the length of this project would be approximately 48 months. The best and final offer received from ICON is a total not-to-exceed cost of \$2,115,000, which includes a data security software tool for \$42,480 and potential manual cleansing of \$451,273. Payment would be based on deliverables received and would include holdbacks.

It is recommended that ICON Integration and Design, Inc. be selected to assist CCCERA with data assessment, data cleansing and data migration to a new pension administration system.

**Recommendation**

Consider and take possible action to authorize the CEO to execute a contract with ICON Integration and Design, Inc. for data cleansing services for a total not-to-exceed cost of \$2,115,000.

# ICON Integration & Design, Inc.

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the data experts ...



presentation for **Contra Costa County Employees' Retirement Association**

September 23, 2020

# BEFORE WE START.....



We appreciate Contra Costa County Employees' Retirement Association allowing us to present ICON's methodology, ICON's work products, and ICON's emphasis on data management.

# WHAT WE WILL COVER TODAY

- ✓ Introductions
- ✓ Who Is ICON
- ✓ ICON Clients
- ✓ Pension Project Elements
- ✓ ICON Methodology
- ✓ ICON Tools and Reports
- ✓ CCCERA Data Project
- ✓ Questions



# WHO IS ICON?

ICON Integration & Design provides Strategic Information Technology Solutions and Services nationwide. We specialize in data and the processes affecting data quality and integrity.

## DATA SERVICES:

- Analysis
- Audit/Assessment
- Conditioning
- Transformation
- Migration/Conversion
- Integration
- Reconciliation
- Bridging
- Stewardship
- Governance



We focus on data and the processes affecting data quality and integrity. We do not pretend to be “all-things to everyone” ..... **we only do data** ..... and we work directly with clients to provide premiere data solutions.

# ICON PAST AND CURRENT CLIENTS

Client	Oversight Vendor	PAS/BAS Vendor	Active Members	Retirees	Employers
Texas Teachers Retirement System	Provaliant	Hewlett Packard (HP)	957,068	312,680	1,360
Virginia Retirement System (Phase 3)	None	Home Grown & Sagitec	342,118	161,006	829
Virginia Retirement System (Phase 4)	None	Home Grown & Sagitec	342,118	161,006	829
Iowa Public Employee's Retirement System	LRWL	Home Grown & Vitech	164,467	100,000	2,177
Public School & Education Employees Retirement System of Missouri	LRWL	Levi, Ray, and Shoup & Sagitec	153,490	69,148	536
Kansas City Missouri Public School Retirement System	LRWL	Sagitec	4,336	3,317	1
Arkansas Public Employee Retirement System	Linea	Vitech	46,000	27,000	710
Public Employees Retirement System of Idaho	Provaliant	Watson Wyatt & Tegrity	65,798	35,334	742
Missouri Local Government Employees Retirement System	Linea	Tegrity	33,241	16,687	610
Wisconsin Employee Trust Fund	LRWL	Vitech	412,423	159,787	1,500
University of California Retirement System	Linea	Sagitec	155,100	63,800	16
Wyoming Retirement System	None	Watson Wyatt & Catapult	70,173	24,443	709
North Dakota Public Employee Retirement System	Linea	Sagitec	27,560	8,163	390
Texas County & District Retirement System	Agile	Pegasus	258,874	53,167	677
Healthcare of Ontario Pension Plan	None	Morneau Shepell	180,000	80,000	480
New Mexico Public Employee Retirement Association	Linea	jClarety	56,530	41,189	718
Contra Costa County Employees' Retirement Association	LRWL	CPAS	10,021	9,547	16
Nevada Public Employees' Retirement System	Provaliant	jClarety & Tegrity	109,167	43,919	212
City of Tampa Fire and Police Retirement System	Provaliant	Levi, Ray, and Shoup	1,457	2,077	1
City of Tampa General Employees' Retirement System	Linea	Levi, Ray, and Shoup	2,412	2,220	1
City of Dallas, Texas Employees' Retirement System	Agile	Vitech	7,584	7,224	1
Sacramento County Employees' Retirement System	Linea	Morneau Shepell	12,678	12,381	11
Municipal Public Employees of Louisiana	Provaliant	Tegrity	6,858	4,628	158
South Carolina Public Employees' Benefit Association	Linea	TBD	196,184	142,278	1,152
Hawaii EUTF	Segal	Morneau Shepell			

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# PENSION PROJECT ELEMENTS

- **System**

- Business Rules and Processes
- Software Application
- Technology/Infrastructure

- **People**

- Staffing to implement and then support the system
- Training for internal and external users
- Managing the organizational culture

- **Data**

- Assessment of legacy system(s) data
- Collecting, profiling, cleansing, and organizing activities
- Conversion and quality control tasks

# ICON METHODOLOGY

- **ICON's Methodology**
  - Approaches a client's data in "levels".
  - Allows us to methodically research, analyze, identify and condition data in an order that matches the flow of the entire Pension Administration System (PAS).
- **ICON DQCP Library**
  - Library of 750+ Data Quality Check Points
  - DQCP Library is used as the starting point to discover and then apply business rules specific to your organization
- **Confidence In Data**
  - Once conditioning is completed your staff and board will trust the data in your Pension Administration System (PAS).
- **Repeatable Methodology**
  - Methodology is "repeatable" from client to client, with adjustments made to account for individual client nuances and timelines.

# ICON METHODOLOGY

## DATA QUALITY INITIATIVE PROCESSES

1. Identify Sources of Legacy Data
2. Define business rules (documented/undocumented) associated with key legacy data
3. Assess Key Data
  - Determine the authoritative data source at the data element level
  - Execute Data Quality Check Points (DQCPs)
4. Condition and Migrate Data to Target Staging Database (TSD)
  - Identify deltas (where legacy data does not match business rules)
  - Execute staggered parallel conditioning with the data assessment effort
  - Move data from disparate data sources/formats to a single normalized structure and format
5. Reconcile Data

# DATA ASSESSMENT/PROFILING REFINEMENT PHASES

## DOCUMENT

- Introduce DQCPs from  
• ICON's library (per Data Level)
- Document how/if the  
• DQCP applies to the client
- Identify the authoritative  
• data element(s)  
• pertaining to each DQCP
- Provide DQCP Form to  
• client for approval

## DEVELOP

- Develop a customized  
script for each DQCP  
(per Data Level)
- Test DQCP script for  
validity and accuracy
- Coordinate with client  
what data elements are  
to be reported on report
- Generate a DQCP Instance  
Report for each DQCP

## REVIEW & REFINE

- Review the finished  
DQCP with client for  
approval
- Refine DQCP scripts per  
requested modifications  
after review
- Review DQCP Instance  
Report with client for  
approval
- Refine DQCP Instance  
Report per requested  
modifications after review

## GENERATE & REPORT

- Generate and Automate  
the execution of DQCP  
scripts and reports
- Execute scripts and  
generate reports
- Monitor progress and  
execution

# ICON METHODOLOGY PROJECT PHASES

## DATA MIGRATION

A Data Migration Flow Cycle

### 1. IDENTIFY

Identify each individual data element and "authoritative data source"

### 2. DEFINE

Define Business Rules through data analysis, data manipulation, programmatically, manually, or conversion

### 3. ASSESS

Perform the Data Assessment Process to legacy data

### 4. MIGRATE

Perform data migration to the Target Staging Database (TSD) and PAS database. Include parsing and filtering processing

### 4. RECONCILE

Reconcile the legacy authoritative data sources to the TSD and PAS database



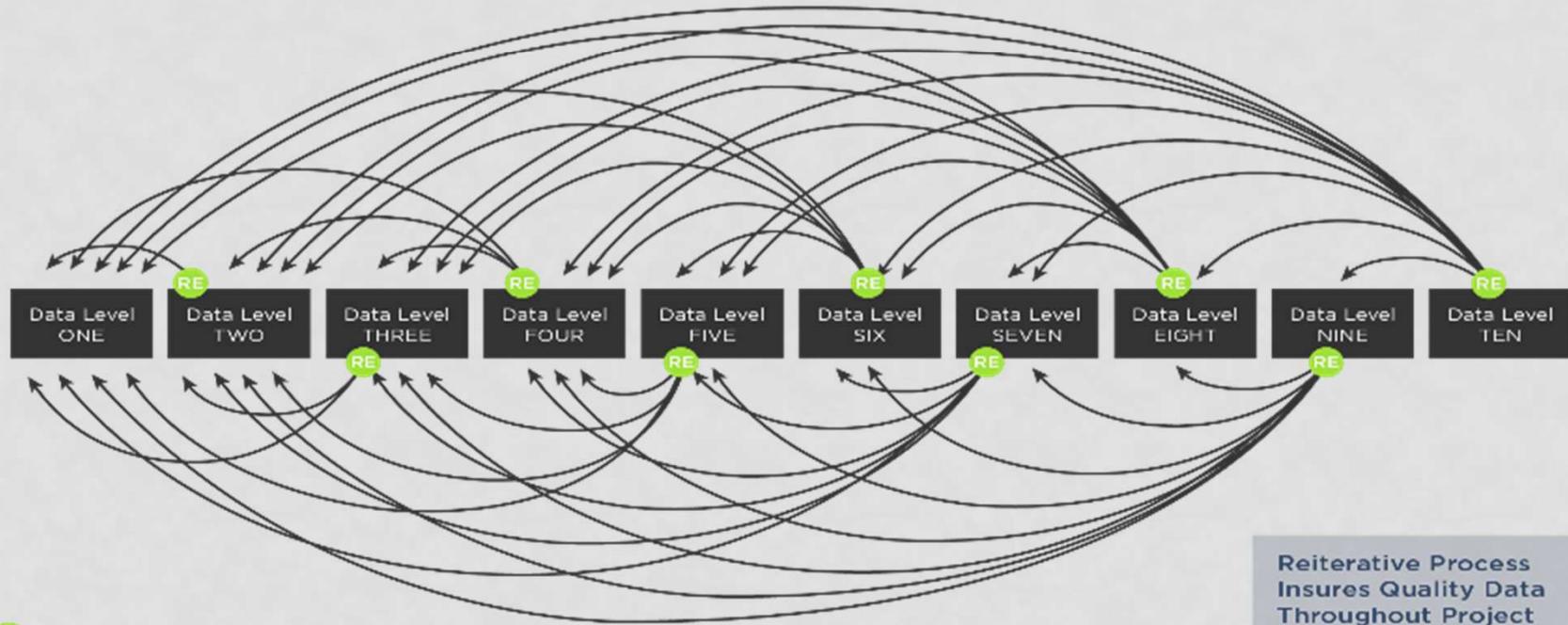
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We categorize an organization's data to provide a solid foundation of knowledge and quality throughout the data quality project. As shown below, data assessment is regression tested after each data level is completed.

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# EXECUTING ASSESSMENT AND CONDITIONING IN PARALLEL

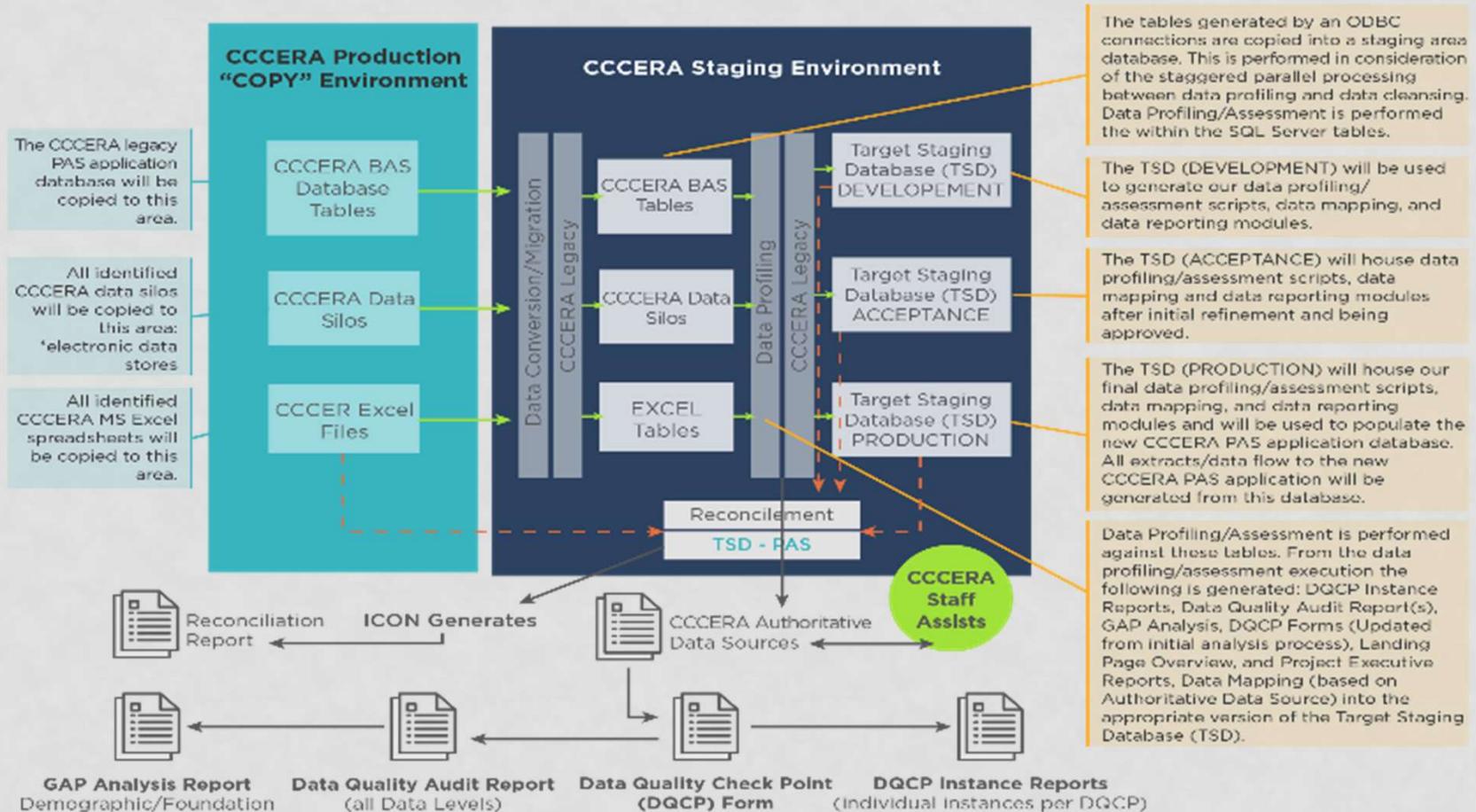
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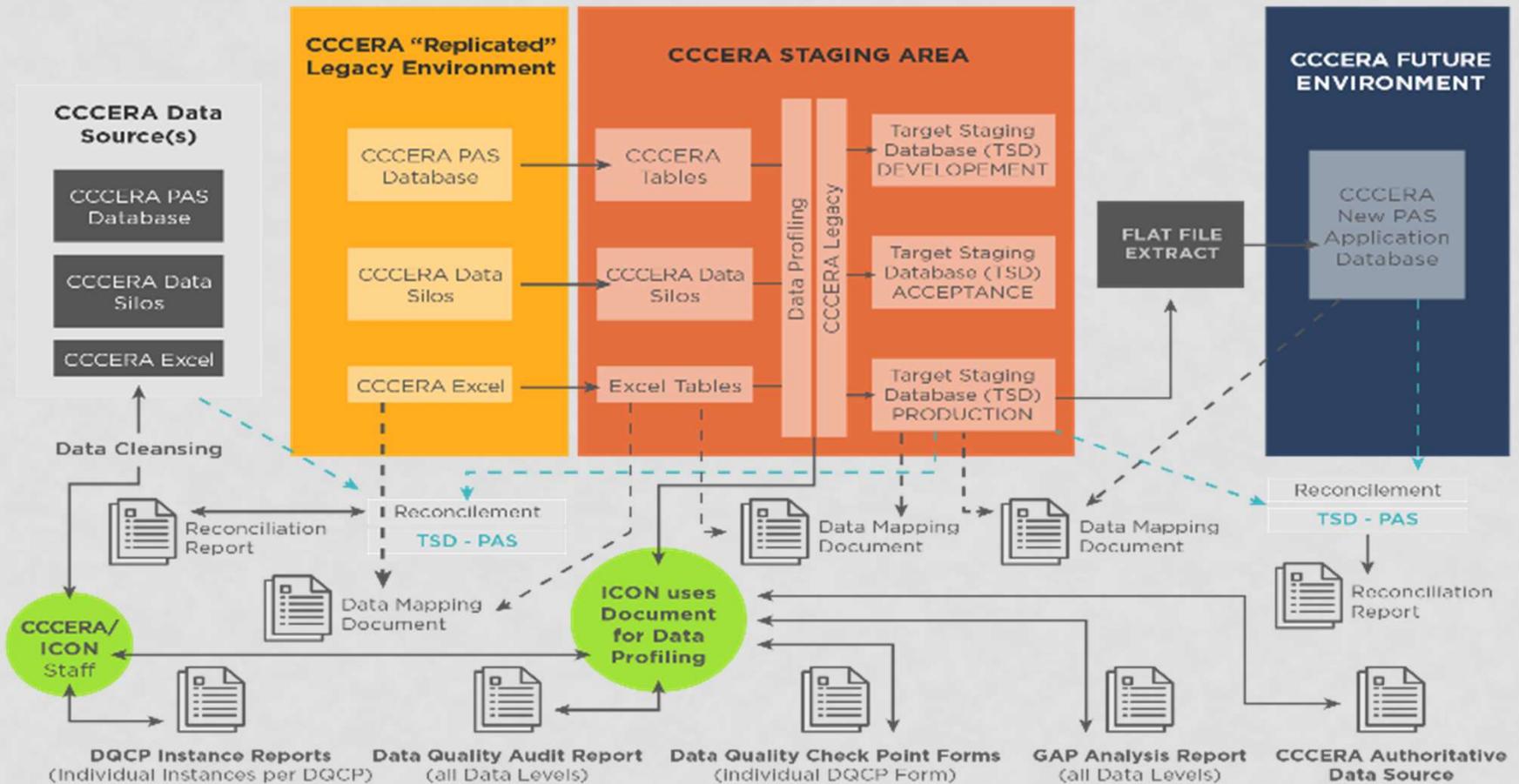


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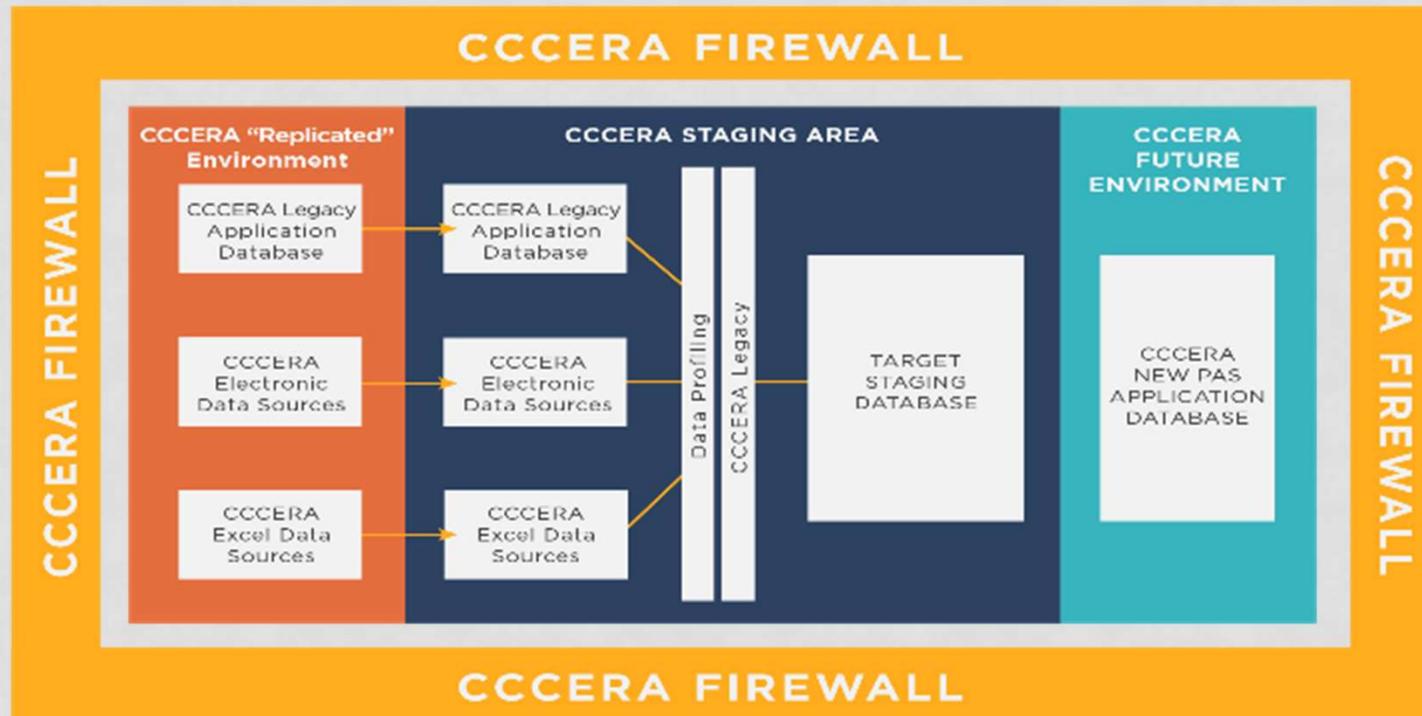
# COMMON ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW



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# ICON INTEGRATION PROPOSED CCCERA ENVIRONMENT



# ICON METHODOLOGY REPORTS



# DATA QUALITY AUDIT REPORT

## EXAMPLE - Data Quality Audit Report:

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# DATA QUALITY AUDIT REPORT

## Data Quality Audit Report:

### EXAMPLE - Member Benefits Data Quality Check Point Summary:

Data Quality Check Point	DQCP Title	Original Counts	Current Counts
6_3_1	RFUND Type Not retired or termed	3	3
6_3_2	Payment Type Issue	0	0
6_3_3	Member_ID_IN_PAYRECOR_NOT_IN	1	1
6_3_4	LEVELCODE_MisMatch_IN_ACTIVEME_AND_PAYRECOR	1	1
6_3_5	RFUND_MisMatch_IN_ACTIVEME_AND_PAYRECOR	32	32
6_3_6	Different_SSN_For_Same_MemUNIQUEID	1	1
6_3_7	Different_RETNO_IN_ACTIVEME_AND_PAYRECOR	0	0
6_3_8	Different_SEQCODE_IN_ACTIVEME_AND_PAYRECOR	0	0
6_3_9	Different_MARITALSTATCODE_IN_ACTIVEME_AND_PAYRECOR	19730	19730
6_3_10	PAYRECNUM_NOT FOUND_ANYWHERE	3175	97
6_3_12	Levelcode mismatch in Payrecor and Assesschecks	15	15
6_3_13	SSN mismatch in Payrecor and checks	28	28
6_3_14	Marital status mismatch in Payrecor and checks	277	277
6_3_15	BANKIDCHECK mismatch in Payrecor and checks	2882	2882
6_3_16	Difference_In_Listed_And_Actual_Interest_Amounts	7075	7075

# DATA QUALITY CHECK POINT (DQCP) SUMMARY BY DATA LEVELS

## EXAMPLE - DQCP Summary by Data Level

### *Data Quality Check Point Summary*

#### ALL DATA LEVELS

Data Level	Nbr of DQCPs	Original Count	Previous Count	Current Count
01-Foundation	331	1,288,788	251,234	252,415
02-Employment History	63	388,579	210,301	210,109
03-Contribution & Wages	195	1,952,074	147,178	146,516
04-Employer-Employee Invoicing	200	403,806	321,753	320,924
05-Insurance	302	605,317	82,347	84,973
06-Service Credit	60	269,392	88,302	88,186
07-Lump Sum Benefits	170	16,287	18,496	18,605
08-Annuity Benefits	272	372,460	380,546	379,539
09-Other	84	84,805	27,588	27,895

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# DATA QUALITY CHECK POINT (DQCP) CYCLE SUMMARY

## EXAMPLE - Data Quality Check Point Cycle Summary – By DQCP

DQCP	DQCP Title	Original Count	Previous Count	Current Count	Unique Member count	Unique Active Member count	Unique Vested Member count
1.3.0044	Tax ID Number Validation	215	112	113	113	13	0
1.3.0045	Date of Birth Validation	52031	47229	157	129	9	45
1.3.0046	Date of Death Validation	17054	9328	9324	9289	0	5129
1.3.0048	Validate the Retire/Rehire Date	2	7	7	7	0	6
1.3.0050	Gender Validation	8377	0	0	0	0	0
1.3.0051	Marital Status Validation	0	0	0	0	0	0
1.3.0052	Public/Elected/Sheriff Validation	324	391	391	300	91	190
1.3.0117	Validation of Birth Dates	33	27	27	27	4	13
1.3.0125	Beneficiary - Spouse	1951	385	407	375	144	143
1.3.0126	Beneficiary - Incompetent Child	16	12	12	7	3	3
1.3.0128	Beneficiary - Drop Account Beneficiary	31	55	85	61	23	52
1.3.0129	Beneficiary - Annuity Option Beneficiary	183	293	294	241	3	221
1.3.0148	Member Spouse Gender	804	57	58	58	27	24
1.3.0149	Member Reciprocity System Indicator	35656	0	0	0	0	0
1.3.0150	Member Birth Certificate Indicator	12901	0	0	0	0	0
1.3.0162	Member Vesting	8564	2857	2875	2819	2080	201

# DATA QUALITY CHECK POINT (DQCP) INSTANCE REPORT

## EXAMPLE - Data Quality Check Point Instance Report

### *Data Quality Check Point Summary*

DQCP	Member SSN	Member Id	Employer Id	Member First Name	Member Last Name	Employment Start Date	Employment End Date	First Contribution Pay Period	Member Entry Date
3.3.149		323478	547	Garry		4/23/1992	6/30/2012	4/5/1992	4/1/1992
3.3.149		78683	462	Michael		6/12/1998		5/30/1990	6/12/1998
3.3.149		145749	281	Sharon		2/5/2011		2/15/2011	3/1/2011
3.3.149		54889	293	Dax		8/16/1989	11/30/2005	8/1/1989	8/4/1989
3.3.149		926547	415	Robert		9/2/2014		3/30/1981	9/2/2014
3.3.149		38490	176	Evan		6/28/1975	3/16/1988	7/10/1976	6/28/1975
3.3.149		145908	311	Jeff		5/19/2001	10/1/2010	5/12/2000	5/19/2001
3.3.149		168770	277-1	Anne		10/1/2001	7/20/2010	10/1/2001	10/1/2001

# DATA CONVERSION LOAD REPORT

## EXAMPLE - LOADING TSD 'Data Conversion Scorecard'

Data Conversion ScoreCard							
Legacy Tables				TSD Tables			
Source Table Name	WLS Count	DQCP Filter	WLS Clean Count	TSD Filter	TSD Count	Off By Counts	TSD Table Name
WLS.TBL_ADDL_FUND_PAL	287,367	3	287,364	9,391	277,973	0	TSD.EMPLOYEE_ADDITIONAL_FUND_PAL
WLS.TBL_EE_PART_ER_PS	8,109	0	8,109	122	7,987	0	TSD.EMPLOYEE_EMPR_PRIOR_SVC
WLS.TBL_EE_PART	775,723	251	775,472	19,280	756,192	0	TSD.EMPLOYEE_PARTICIPATION
WLS.TBL_EE_RET_FUND	912,057	6,918	905,139	23,855	881,284	0	TSD.EMPLOYEE_RETIREMENT_FUND
WLS.TBL_RET_FUND_PAL	13,029,746	18,716	13,011,030	399,909	12,611,121	0	TSD.EMPLOYEE_RETIREMENT_FUND_PAL
WLS.TBL_ER_EMPR	2,520	0	2,520	0	2,520	0	TSD.EMPLOYER
WLS.TBL_ER_EMPR	2,520	0	2,520	-2,590	5,110	0	TSD.EMPLOYER_CONTACT
WLS.TBL_ER_DEPOSIT	66,905	14,772	52,133	0	52,133	0	TSD.EMPLOYER_CONTRIB_RECV
WLS.TBL_ER_PS_ADJ	55,151	620	54,531	1,823	52,708	0	TSD.EMPLOYER_PRIOR_SERVICE_ADJUSTMENT
WLS.TBL_ER_PS_DTL	43,031	839	42,192	0	42,192	0	TSD.EMPLOYER_PRIOR_SERVICE_DETAIL
WLS.TBL_ER_RATES_ACT10	143,262	0	143,262	253	143,009	0	TSD.EMPLOYER_RATES_ACT10
WLS.TBL_EE_RECONCILE	4,277,270	8,727	4,268,543	0	4,268,543	0	TSD.EMPLOYER_RECONCILE

# DATA RECONCILIATION SCORECARD

## EXAMPLE - Data Reconciliation by Data Level

### Data Conversion ScoreCard Detail

SOURCE TABLE NAME	TSD TABLE NAME	RULE DESCRIPTION	TSD_RECON_COUNT
WLS.TBL_EMPE_EMPR_CAT	TSD.EMPLOYMENT_CATEGORY_HIST	ORPHAN - CAT HIST NOT FOUND IN ACCOUNT	36,723
WLS.TBL_EMPE_EMPR_CAT	TSD.EMPLOYMENT_CATEGORY_HIST	CAT_TERM_DT IS NOT FORMATTED CORRECTLY	10
WLS.TBL_EMPE_EMPR_CAT	TSD.EMPLOYMENT_CATEGORY_HIST	EEC.CAT_LST_DAY_PAID IS NOT FORMATTED CORRECTLY	10
			<b>36,743</b>

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# CONCLUSION

## **All successful projects have common traits:**

- A specific goal,
- A proven approach and methodology,
- Repeatable consistent process
- Experience to provide an accurate “real-life” project plan,
- Applying the project plan,
- A commitment to critical documentation,
- Proven quality assurance, testing, and reconciliation techniques,
- Appropriate experienced staffing (client and vendor),
- A healthy client and vendor relationship,
- An effective “change management” plan,
- Dedicated project team.

**Our approach to Data Projects is built around these traits and why we are the industry leader.**

# QUESTIONS





The Voice for Public Pensions

Meeting Date  
**09/23/20**  
Agenda Item  
**#10a.**

## NCPERS FALL CONFERENCE

September 29 – 30, 2020

*A Virtual Event*

### FINAL AGENDA

#### SEPTEMBER 29

11:00 am - 11:30 am WELCOME AND ORIENTATION

11:00 am – 5:00 pm EXHIBIT HALL

11:30 am – 12:15 pm OPENING KEYNOTE PRESENTATION  
*Protecting Public Employees and Pensions During a Triple Crisis*  
Randi Weingarten, President, American Federation of Teachers

12:30 pm- 1:30 pm THREE CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS

**FINANCIAL TRACK** *What's Next? Global Equity Markets Update*  
Ronald Temple, Lazard

**ACTUARIAL TRACK** *Societal Changes and Challenges Affecting Retirement Plans: A COVID-19 Perspective*  
Tammy Dixon, Segal  
Jennifer Benz, Segal

**LEG. /LEGAL TRACK** *Pandemic Aftershocks: Protecting Your Portfolio*  
Shawn Williams, Robbins Geller Rudman & Dowd

1:30 pm – 1:45 pm BREAK  
*During the breaks we encourage you to visit the exhibit hall and participate in the "Exhibitor Trivia Hunt"*

1:45 pm - 2:45 pm THREE CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS

**FINANCIAL TRACK** *Infrastructure Debt – An Attractive Diversifier for Your Fixed Income Allocation*  
Paul David, Allianz Global Investors

<b>ACTUARIAL TRACK</b>	<i>Assessing the Health of Your Retirement System – An Integrated Look at Funding, Benefits and Risks</i> Eric Atwater, Aon Mark Meyer, Aon Bryan Falato, Aon
<b>LEG. /LEGAL TRACK</b>	<i>We Just Got Hacked, What Will it Cost?</i> John Farley, Gallagher Cyber Liability Practice Ted Kobus, Gallagher Cyber Liability Practice
2:45 pm – 3:45 pm	EXPRESS TALKS  2:50 pm – 3:15 pm <i>Asset Allocation in a Post COVID-19 World</i> Jeffrey Covell, Gallagher Fiduciary Advisors  3:20 pm – 3:45 pm <i>Factors First: A Risk-based Approach to Harnessing Alternative Sources of Income</i> Nathan Shetty, Nuveen
2:45 pm – 3:45 pm	NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES <i>During this time attendees have the option to visit the exhibit hall and participate in the Exhibitor Trivia Hunt.</i>
3:50 pm – 4:50 pm	THREE CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS
<b>FINANCIAL TRACK</b>	<i>Financial System Impacts of the Rise of Passive Management</i> Julian Regan, Segal Marco Advisers Maureen O’Brien, Segal Marco Advisers
<b>ACTUARIAL TRACK</b>	<i>Ensuring Sustainable Public Pension Plans – A Qualitative Approach</i> Joseph Newton, Gabriel, Roeder, Smith & Company
<b>LEG. /LEGAL TRACK</b>	<i>Preparing Your Board for Post-COVID Pressures &amp; Beyond</i> Brad Kelly, Global Governance Advisors Peter Landers, Global Governance Advisors
4:50 pm – 5:00 pm	WRAP UP

## SEPTEMBER 30

11:00 am - 11:15 am	WELCOME BACK
11:00 am – 4:30 pm	EXHIBIT HALL

11:20 am- 12:20 pm	THREE CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS
<b>FINANCIAL TRACK</b>	<i>6 Themes to Guide Public Pensions the Next 5 Years</i> Michael Hunstad, Northern Trust Asset Management
<b>ACTUARIAL TRACK</b>	<i>You Are All Individuals, You Are All Different: How Factor Based Mortality Models Can Capture Diversity in Public Sector Pension Plans</i> Douglas Anderson, Club Vita Doug Anderson, Minnesota PERA
<b>LEG. /LEGAL TRACK</b>	<i>Legal, Legislative and Regulatory Update</i> Rob Gauss, Ice Miller Peter Mixon, Nossaman LLP Tony Roda, Williams & Jensen PLLC
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm	THREE CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS
<b>FINANCIAL TRACK</b>	<i>Diverse Manager Investment Programs: Best Practices in Structuring and Implementation</i> Peter Braffman, GCM Grosvenor Jason Howard, GCM Grosvenor
<b>ACTUARIAL TRACK</b>	<i>Pension Obligation Bonds: Are the Circumstances of 2021 Right for Taking a Fresh Look?</i> Paul Angelo, Segal Todd Tauzer, Segal
<b>LEG. /LEGAL TRACK</b>	<i>Securities Fraud in the Age of COVID-19</i> Chet Waldman, Wolf Popper LLP Joshua Ruthizer, Wolf Popper LLP
1:30 pm – 1:45 pm	BREAK <i>During the breaks we encourage you to visit the exhibit hall and participate in the “Exhibitor Trivia Hunt”</i>
1:45 pm – 2:45 pm	EXPRESS TALKS  1:50 pm – 2:15 pm <i>Re-risking in a Time of Market Crisis</i> Sona Menon, Cambridge Associates  2:20 pm – 2:45 pm <i>Behind the Curtain: Private Equity Explained</i> Helen Lais, Capital Dynamics
1:45 pm – 2:45 pm	NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES <i>During this time attendees have the option to visit the exhibit hall and participate in the Exhibitor Trivia Hunt.</i>

2:50 pm – 3:50 pm	THREE CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS
<b>FINANCIAL TRACK</b>	<i>ESG Investing: The Challenges and Opportunities of Investing in Public Equities in the ESG Space</i> Chris McDonald, Kennedy Capital Management, Inc.
<b>FINANCIAL TRACK</b>	<i>How Negative Cash Flow in Defined Benefit Public Pension Plans Could Result in Smarter Investment Portfolio Design and Program Management</i> Vijoy Chattergy, Sakala Portfolio Solutions, LLC Scott Stone, Pentegra Investors, Inc.
<b>LEG. /LEGAL TRACK</b>	<i>ESG Investing and Considerations of Non-Financial Factors: An Overview of Recent DOL Guidance and How it Impacts Your Fund</i> Chuck Campbell, Jackson Walker LLP
3:50 pm – 4:00 pm	BREAK
4:00 pm – 4:45 pm	CLOSING KEYNOTE PRESENTATION <i>Partnering to Impact the Battle Against COVID-19</i> Dr. Camillo Ricordi, M.D., Stacy Joy Goodman Professor of Surgery, Distinguished Professor of Medicine, Professor of Biomedical Engineering, and Microbiology and Immunology at the University of Miami (UM), Florida
4:45 pm – 5:00 pm	WRAP-UP

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# Announcement

## Virtual Trustees Round Table Virtual Meeting

Friday, October 23, 2020  
9:30 a.m - 3:30 p.m.  
Zoom Meeting

Meeting Date  
**09/23/20**  
Agenda Item  
**#10b.**

### [Register Here](#)

Register for the virtual Trustees Round Table on Friday, October 23rd from 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM. This meeting will be chaired by [Henry Levy](#) from the Alameda County Employees' Retirement Association.

Please see below for more details on the sessions available for this meeting: (you can attend just one, or both!)

#### **Session I: 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

##### **Topic: "What is the Role of Trustees in Choosing and/or Monitoring Money Managers?"**

Description: Currently, public pension plans have a variety of approaches to this question. On one end of the spectrum, some boards have the trustees choose all money managers and even do the due diligence calls to the manager's offices; at the other end of the spectrum, some boards have staff making all decisions to choose managers. In all cases, there is a need for the board to monitor manager performance, and boards must choose reporting tools and methodologies to do that.

#### **Session II: 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

##### **Topic: "What is the Role of Trustees on Corporate Policies?"**

Description: Corporations, as well as other entities in which pension plans invest, all have policies which may or not contribute to performance as well as other long-term sustainability. While there are various monitoring tools to help trustees, it is very difficult for either plan trustees or staff to become involved in all potential issues and with all the investments of a typical plan. There are shareholder activist groups which try to choose the issues with certain businesses. However, most plans have given the control to staff, which in turn have given it to one of two proxy-voting firms to vote on behalf of the board. It is not possible for trustees to vote on all the proxies coming before corporate shareholder meetings (not to mention getting more involved in limited partnerships), so trustees need to understand the resources available for them. Furthermore, for those boards which delegate manager selection process to staff, getting involved in policy issues may become the major work that trustees do.

This will be hosted as a zoom meeting so we encourage participants to join via computer with their web cameras on, however a phone-in option will also be available for those who cannot join by

computer. The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. and end by 3:30 p.m with short break provided. For additional questions,

you can contact our office at [info@calaprs.org](mailto:info@calaprs.org)

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# Portfolio Risk in a Post-COVID World

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**Meeting Date**  
09/23/20  
**Agenda Item**  
#10c.



● Dr. Ayhan Kose  
The World Bank

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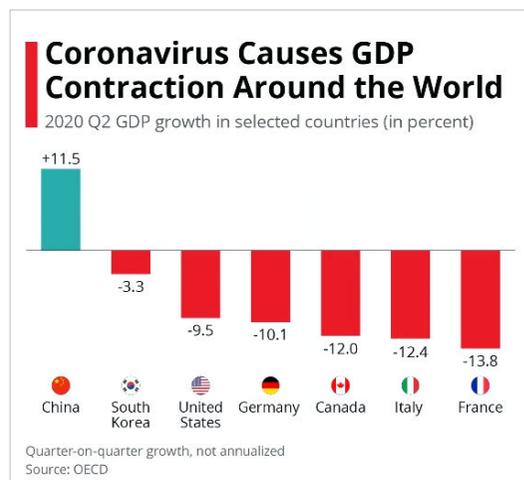
Monday October 26<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday October 28<sup>th</sup> 2020 | 10am-12.30pm E.S.T.

*“Scanning the future for risks and taking proper note of what you see is a mark of prudent maturity”*

The Economist, June 27<sup>th</sup> 2020

Everything happens faster in a pandemic.

Risks that in normal times appear to be outliers quickly become pressing and real; whilst the economic and political orthodoxies by which institutional investors orientate themselves can swiftly be shorn of value.



Yet, despite all the turmoil, we are still only in the early stages of the pandemic, with many second and third order systemic investment risks yet to manifest themselves.

Never before has access to first-rate risk analysis and thinkers been so critically important.

Providing this is our Portfolio Risk event's raison d'etre.

Over the three days of the event, our academic, investor and manager speakers will provide our attendees with a comprehensive and up-to-the-minute analysis of the financial, macro-economic, political and geopolitical risks currently facing institutional investors and of how such risks are likely to impact upon the investment performance of different asset classes and investment strategies.

## Key Characteristics of Global ARC Interactive

### 1. Interactive Format

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### 2. Investor and Research Driven Agenda

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# Academic Speakers

## Professor Lawrence R. Douglas

Author of *'Will He Go? Trump and the Looming Electoral Meltdown'*  
James J. Grosfeld Professor of Law, Jurisprudence and Social Thought  
**Amherst College** – USA



Professor Douglas is the author of seven books. His most recent book is *Will He Go? Trump and the Looming Electoral Meltdown* in 2020 (Twelve/Hachette 2020). Others include *The Memory of Judgment: Making Law and History in the Trials of the Holocaust* (Yale, 2001) and *The Right Wrong Man: John Demjanjuk and the Last Great Nazi War Crimes Trial* (Princeton, 2016), a New York Times "Editor's Choice." His commentary and essays have appeared in *Harper's*, *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post* and *The Los Angeles Times*; and he is a regular contributor to the *Times Literary Supplement* and *The Guardian* (US), where he is a contributing opinion writer. The recipient of major fellowships from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the American Council of Learned Societies, the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, the Institute for International Education, and American Academy in Berlin, and the Carnegie Foundation.

## Professor David Hand OBE

Author of *'Dark Data: Why what you don't know matters'*  
Emeritus Professor of Mathematics and Senior Research Investigator  
**Imperial College London** – United Kingdom



Professor David Hand is Emeritus Professor of Mathematics and Senior Research Investigator at Imperial College, London, where he formerly held the Chair in Statistics. He has published thirty books, including *Principles of Data Mining*, *Information Generation*, *Measurement Theory and Practice*, *The Improbability Principle*, *The Wellbeing of Nations*, and *Dark Data*. In 2002 he was awarded the Guy Medal of the Royal Statistical Society, and in 2012 he and his research group won the Credit Collections and Risk Award for Contributions to the Credit Industry. He was awarded the George Box Medal in 2016, and the Research Medal of the International Federation of Classification Societies in 2019. In 2013 he was made OBE for services to research and innovation. He is a Fellow of the British Academy, and an Honorary Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries, and has served (twice) as President of the Royal Statistical Society.

## Professor Rana Mitter OBE

Author of *'China's Good War: How World War II Is Shaping a New Nationalism'*  
Director of the University of Oxford China Centre  
**University of Oxford** – United Kingdom



Professor Rana Mitter's work has received international praise for its innovative approach to the study of China's contemporary politics and history. His current focus is on the origins and causes of nationalism in China and its impact upon the Chinese government's behavior. His most recent book *'China's War With Japan'* was selected by *The Financial Times* as one of the ten best history books of the year, was chosen as a Book of the Year by *The Economist* and won the Duke of Westminster Medal. Rana Mitter's television documentary "The Longest War: China's World War II" was broadcast on the History Channel in 2015. Rana also presents and contributes regularly to the arts and ideas program *Night Waves* on BBC Radio and *The Forum* on BBC World Service. He was appointed Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) in the 2019 for services to education.

## Professor Joshua Gans

Author of *'The Pandemic Information Gap: The Brutal Economics of COVID-19'*  
Jeffrey Skoll Chair of Technical Innovation and Entrepreneurship  
**University of Toronto Rotman School of Management** - Canada



Professor Joshua Gans is holder of the Jeffrey S. Skoll Chair of Technical Innovation and Entrepreneurship at the Rotman School of Management, University of Toronto. Joshua is also Chief Economist of the University of Toronto's Creative Destruction Lab. Prior to 2011, he was the foundation Professor of Management (Information Economics) at the Melbourne Business School, University of Melbourne. Joshua holds a Ph.D. from Stanford University. His most recent books are *'The Pandemic Information Gap: The Brutal Economics of COVID-19'* (MIT Press, 2020) and *'Innovation + Equality'* (MIT Press, 2019). While Joshua's research interests are varied, he has developed specialties in the nature of technological competition and innovation, economic growth, publishing economics, industrial organization and regulatory economics. In 2017, Joshua won the Roger Martin Award for Research Excellence.

## Dr. Ayhan Kose

Lead Author of The World Bank's Global Economic Prospects (GEP) Report  
Director of the Prospects Group Equitable Growth, Finance and Institutions  
**World Bank** – USA



Headed by Dr. Ayhan Kose, the Prospects Group produces The World Bank's flagship report, *Global Economic Prospects*. His articles have been published in leading academic journals and in *The Economist*, *NYT*, *Financial Times* and *Wall Street Journal*. He is on the editorial boards of several academic journals, and was the founding Co-Editor of the IMF's *Economic Review* and Editor of the IMF *Research Bulletin*. His latest book, *'Inflation in Emerging and Developing Economies'* examines the remarkable decline in inflation over the past half century and its underlying drivers in these economies. His previous book, *'Collapse and Revival: Understanding Global Recessions and Recoveries'*, tracks the global business cycle through the destruction of a global recession to the renewal of recovery. He has taught at the University of Chicago's Booth School of Business and INSEAD.

## Professor Frank Snowden

Author of *'Epidemics and Society: From the Black Death to the Present'*  
Andrew Downey Orrick Professor Emeritus of History and History of Medicine  
**Yale University** - USA



Yale historian, Professor Frank Snowden, has long been fascinated by the ways epidemics hold up a "mirror" to the social, cultural, and political conditions in which they arise. His most recent book, *"Epidemics and Society: From the Black Death to the Present,"* published by Yale University Press in 2019, is the result of 40 years of research on the topic and was published to widespread acclaim. Since the outbreak of COVID-19, Snowden, has been featured in *The New Yorker*, *The New York Times*, and *The Wall Street Journal* for his historical expertise. His books have won a number of prizes including the Gustav Ranis Prize, the Helen and Howard R. Marraro Prize by the American Historical Association and the 2008 Welch Medal from the American Association for the History of Medicine. Professor Snowden received his Ph.D. from Oxford University.

# Institutional investor Speakers



Sebastian Vadakumcherry, Chief Risk Officer and Chief Compliance Officer  
**Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation** - USA

APFC is a state-owned corporation, based in Juneau, that manages USD 65 Billion of assets on behalf of the Alaska Permanent Fund and other funds designated by law, such as the Alaska Mental Health Trust Fund. Prior to joining APFC as its Chief Risk Officer and Chief Compliance Officer, Sebastian Vadakumcherry was Head of Risk Management Division at Gulf Investment Corporation. He holds an MBA from Texas A&M University.



Ingrid Albinsson, Chief Investment Officer  
**AP7 Pension Fund** – Sweden

AP7 (the Seventh National Pension Fund) acts within the DC system in Sweden which is part of the national government pension plan. Its default product “Såfa” has approximately SEK 430 Billion (USD 54 Billion) under management and is a global diversified life cycle product. Ingrid Albinsson is the Chief Investment Officer and Executive Vice President of AP7. Prior to joining AP7 she spent 10 years with Swedbank Robur



Elena Manola-Bonthond Ph.D., Chief Investment Officer  
**CERN Pension Fund** – Switzerland

Dr. Elena Manola-Bonthond is Chief Investment Officer, at the 5 Billion CHF (USD 5 ½ billion) pension fund of CERN, the European Organization for Nuclear Research. Elena played an instrumental role in creating the investment governance framework optimized for dynamic risk management, now popularly known as the ‘CERN model’. Elena holds a PhD in particle physics from University of Savoie and CERN.



Clifton Isings, Chief Investment Officer and Vice-President  
**CN Investment Division (Canadian National Railways Pension Fund)** - Canada

Clifton Isings is Chief Investment Officer and Vice-President of the CN Investment Division of the Canadian National Railway Company. It manages the CN Pension Fund which is one of the largest corporate pension plans in Canada with CAD 18 billion (USD 13 billion) AUM. The Division has 80 employees including 40 investments professionals. His responsibilities include public equities, real assets, liability hedging assets, and risk management.



Valerie Sill, President and Chief Executive Officer  
**DuPont Capital Management** - USA

Valerie Sill is President and Chief Executive Officer of DuPont Capital Management and serves as its Chief Investment Officer. She is responsible for overseeing the investment of approximately USD 25 billion in assets held by DuPont Company plans and external clients. Prior to this, Valerie was Executive Vice President at The Boston Company Asset Management. Valerie holds an MBA from Harvard Business School.



Howard Hodel, Investment Officer, Risk Management  
**Employees' Retirement System of the State of Hawaii** – USA

The Employees' Retirement System of the State of Hawaii is a public pension fund which has approximately USD 17 billion in assets under management. The Employees' Retirement System of the State of Hawaii engages in a range of alternative investment strategies including buyouts, distressed debt, real estate, timber and venture capital. Howard Hodel holds an MBA in Finance from University of Chicago's Booth School of Business.



Tom Tull, Chief Investment Officer  
**Employees Retirement System of Texas** – USA

The Employees Retirement System of Texas is an agency of the Texas State government, which oversees retirement benefits on behalf of Texan state employees. Employees Retirement System currently manages over USD 26 billion in assets. Prior to joining Employees Retirement System of Texas, Tom Tull founded the investment adviser company, Gulfstream Global Investors, which he sold to West LB in 2001.



Sanjay Chawla, Chief Investment Officer  
**FM Global** - USA

FM Global is one of the world's largest commercial and industrial property insurers. Assets managed include general account and pension assets, combined total in excess of USD 20 billion. He was previously Chief Investment Officer at Raytheon Company (AUM USD 38 billion). He received an MBA from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University and a B.Comm (honors) from Shri Ram College of Commerce, Delhi University, India.



Stephen Thompson, Executive Director, Capital Markets  
**Government of Alberta** - Canada

Steve Thompson is the Executive Director of Capital Markets for the Government of Alberta. Steve is responsible for the borrowing and debt management strategy and the development of investment strategy and policy for the Province's CAD 20 billion (USD 16 Billion) Heritage Fund and other provincial endowments. Prior to this, Steve worked for the Province of Nova Scotia and with the Bank of Nova Scotia.



Srikanya Yathip Ph.D., Secretary General  
**Government Pension Fund of Thailand** -Thailand

Srikanya Yathip, Ph.D., joined the USD 22 billion Government Pension Fund of Thailand in 2010. Prior to joining the Government Pension Fund of Thailand, she spent more than ten years studying and working first in Japan and later in the United Kingdom. Her responsibilities at the Government Pension Fund of Thailand include assessing investment choices, pension research and making pension policy reform recommendations.



Jerry Moriarty, Chief Executive Officer  
**IAPF** – Ireland

IAPF's members are responsible for some €150 billion (USD 165 billion) in retirement savings and IAPF aims to ensure people in Ireland can have pensions that are secure, fair and simple. Jerry Moriarty is Vice-Chair of PensionsEurope and chairs its DC Committee and Brexit Working Group. In 2018, he was appointed to the European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority's Occupational Pensions Stakeholder Group.



Phillip Titolo, Head of Direct Private Investments  
**MassMutual Insurance** – USA

Phillip Titolo is Head of Direct Private Investments and Portfolio Manager, Alternatives for MassMutual's GIA portfolio, focusing on strategic asset allocation and external investment relationships. Previously, Phillip was at Hartford Investment Management, Credit Suisse Asset Management and United Technologies. Education: Boston College (BS), University of Connecticut (JD & MBA). Phillip is a CFA charter holder.

# Institutional investor Speakers



Eric Nierenberg Ph.D., Chief Strategy Officer

**Massachusetts Pension Reserves Investment Management Board (MassPRIM) - USA**

Eric Nierenberg has worked at the USD 60 billion Massachusetts Pension Reserves Investment Management ('MassPRIM') since 2013. In addition to his work at MassPRIM, Eric also teaches graduate courses in investments and international portfolio management at Brandeis University. Prior to which, he was a Vice President at Independence Investments. Eric Nierenberg holds a Ph.D. in Business Economics from Harvard University.



Clark Cheng, Chief Investment Officer

**Merrimac Corp – USA**

Merrimac is a large single-family office with investments in hedge funds, private equity, real estate and mutual funds. Prior to Merrimac, Clark was responsible for managing the hedge fund due diligence process in the Americas for HSBC's Alternative Investment Group which had USD 39 billion in hedge fund investments. He holds an MBA from Duke University and the CFA, FRM and CAIA designations.



Craig Grenier, Director of Investments

**Northeastern University Endowment - USA**

Craig Grenier is the Director of Investments for Northeastern University, where he provides strategic direction for the management of over USD 1.5 billion in endowment and operating assets across both public and private markets. Prior to NE, Craig worked at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts and GMO. Craig holds an MBA and a BS in Management from Northeastern University, and has both the CFA and CAIA designations.



Arjen Pasma, Chief Risk Officer

**PGGM Investments – The Netherlands**

PGGM Investments manages approximately EUR 190 billion (USD 210 billion) in investment assets from five Dutch Pension Funds in a worldwide diversified portfolio of both public and private investments. Arjen Pasma is the Chief Risk Officer at PGGM Investments and a board member of the investment committee, allocation committee, asset liability management committee and investment policy committees of PGGM Investments.



Mauricio Guzman, Chief Investment Officer

**Pontificia Universidad Javeriana Endowment - Colombia**

Mauricio Guzmán is Chief Investment Officer at Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, one Colombia's largest private universities, primarily responsible for the investment and risk management process, across local and global equity and fixed income assets, as well as alternative investments in hedge funds, private equity and real state. He holds an MBA from Universidad de Los Andes and is a Chartered Financial Analyst charter holder.



Farouki Majeed, Chief Investment Officer

**School Employees Retirement System of Ohio – USA**

Founded in 1937, the Ohio School Employees Retirement System currently manages USD 14 billion in assets on behalf of 121,000 active, contributing members and 72,000 benefit recipients. Farouki Majeed has served as Chief Investment Officer of the Ohio School Employees Retirement System since 2012. Prior to this he worked as Senior Investment Officer at CalPERS. Farouki holds an MBA from Rutgers University and is a Chartered Financial Analyst.



Olin Liu, Ph.D. Managing Director and Chief Economist

**Sunshine Insurance Group - China**

Olin Liu Ph.D. is Managing Director of the asset management arm of the Sunshine Insurance Group, responsible for Sunshine Insurance Group's strategic investment asset allocation overseas and macro thematic research. Previously Olin Liu was a director of CICC, China's first joint venture investment bank, and Mission Chief for the International Monetary Fund's Asia Pacific Department. She holds a PhD in Economics from Boston College.



Christopher Brockmeyer, Director of Employee Benefits

**The Broadway League Inc – USA**

Christopher Brockmeyer has been the Director of Employee Benefit Funds for the Broadway League, the national trade association for the Broadway theatre industry, since 2007. This includes eleven multi-employer pension funds, seven health funds and four annuity/401(k) funds with nearly USD 6 Billion in assets, covering 120,000 current or future retirees and providing health care coverage for 24,000 employees.



Roy Kuo, Head of Alternative Strategies

**The Church Commissioners of England – United Kingdom**

The Church Commissioners for England, which manages the Church of England's endowment, possesses approximately GBP 8 billion (USD 11 billion) assets under management. Roy Kuo is responsible for managing and growing the endowment's allocations in the alternatives sector. Prior to joining Church Commissioners for England, he was head of research at Dexion Capital. Roy holds an MBA from Said Business School, Oxford University.

# Industry Speakers



Chris Hentemann, Managing Partner and Chief Investment Officer  
**400 Capital Management** - USA

400 Capital Management ('400CM') is a structured credit asset management firm offering qualified investors access to a broad range of investment opportunities and innovative solutions across global structured credit markets. Chris Hentemann founded 400CM in 2008 and is its CIO and Chairs its Operating and Investment Committees. Prior to 400CM, Chris was the Head of Global Structured Products at Banc of America Securities.



Russ Ivinjack, Senior Partner  
**Aon** - USA

Russ Ivinjack is a Senior Partner at Aon Hewitt Investment Consulting and chairs the firm's U.S. Investment Committee. Russ previously led the development of Aon's alternatives investment capabilities and global equity manager research teams. He has written research papers on defined contribution pension plan issues and what fiduciaries need to know when selecting asset allocation and fund selection models for participant-directed plans.



Bill Kelly, Chief Executive Officer  
**CAIA Association** - USA

William (Bill) J. Kelly is the CEO of the CAIA Association and a frequent writer, and commentator on alternative investment topics globally since taking the leadership role in 2014. Previously, Bill was CEO of Boston Partners and one of seven founding partners of the predecessor firm, Boston Partners Asset Management. His career in the institutional asset management space spans over 30 years in successive CFO, COO and CEO roles.



Catherine Beard, Senior Vice President, Alternatives Consulting  
**Callan Associates** - USA

Founded in 1973, Callan currently advises on more than USD 2 trillion in total fund sponsor assets, which makes it among the largest independently owned investment consulting firms in the U.S. Prior to Callan Catherine Beard she was a principal and director of research at specialist private credit funds-of-funds Blueprint Capital. Catherine holds an MBA from the Kelley Graduate School of Business and is a CFA.



David Stewart, Founder  
**Global ARC** - Australia

Founded by David Stewart in 2002, Global ARC convenes a network of the world's foremost academics, pension funds, endowments, sovereign wealth funds and asset managers to analyze macro-economic, capital market, and alternative investment developments and their implications for the institutional investor community. Global ARC is an independent organization wholly owned by its founder.



Christopher Holt Ph.D., Senior Advisor  
**Global ARC** - Canada

Chris Holt is an Associate Director at University of Waterloo's Conrad School of Entrepreneurship and Business, where he supervises the MBET Corporate Innovation Project and teaches undergraduate and postgraduate entrepreneurship, management consulting, and organizational behaviour courses. Chris has advised Global ARC in various roles since 2006. He holds an MBA from Duke University and a Ph.D. from University of Toronto.



Ted Koenig, President and Chief Executive Officer  
**Monroe Capital** - USA

Theodore Koenig is President, Chief Executive Officer and Founder of Monroe Capital, a private credit asset management firm specializing in direct lending and opportunistic private credit investing, which he established in 2004. Prior to founding Monroe Capital, Ted Koenig was President and Chief Executive Officer of Hilco Capital LP, a junior secured/mezzanine debt fund.



George Sakoulis Ph.D., Managing Director and Head of Global Multi-Asset Solutions  
**QMA, a PGIM Company** - USA

George Sakoulis, PhD, is a Managing Director and Head of Global Multi-Asset Solutions for QMA. He is responsible for research, development and portfolio management of systematic, total and absolute return strategies. Previously, he led quantitative research for the emerging markets team at GMO. George Sakoulis earned an MA in economics and a PhD in financial econometrics from the University of Washington.



Amy Hsiang, Head of Traditional Fixed Income and Private Credit  
**RVK Consulting** - USA

RVK is one of the largest fully independent and employee-owned investment consulting firms in the US. We provide unbiased general investing consulting services to nearly 200 institutional clients. Amy Hsiang is the Head of RVK's traditional fixed income and private credit investment manager research. Amy has a BA in Economics from the University of Chicago and an MBA from Harvard Business School. She is a CAIA and CFA Charterholder.

## Day 1: Monday October 26<sup>th</sup> 2020

10.00am EST **Monday chair's opening remarks**

### Risks to Global Growth

*"The coronavirus pandemic has triggered the most widespread global economic meltdown since at least 1870 and risks fueling a dramatic rise in poverty levels around the globe, the World Bank has warned in its Global Economic Prospects (GEP) report"*

The Guardian, June 9<sup>th</sup> 2020

10.05am EST **Analyzing the key threats to global economic growth**

**Dr. Ayhan Kose**

Lead Author, The World Bank Global Economic Prospects Report

Director of the Prospects Group Equitable Growth, Finance and Institutions

**The World Bank** – USA

### Breakout Rooms

10.20am EST **Discuss the World Bank's Global Economic Prospects (GEP) report and prepare questions**

The World Bank's 2020 Global Economic Prospects (GEP) report identified the two new elements impacting global growth in 2020 as COVID and the radically reconfigured pricing landscape for oil.

Breakout Room 1: **COVID and Global growth**

Breakout Room 2: **'Cheap oil' and Global growth**

10.50am EST **Analyzing the key threats to global economic growth: audience questions**

Based on feedback from their respective breakout sessions, our two institutional investor breakout streams chairs will reconvene to ask Dr Ayhan Kose follow up questions, before then opening the session to the floor for further questions.

### Rethinking Strategic Asset Allocations

*"COVID-19 has had an immediate and severe impact on the investment landscape.... In addition to the current volatility and uncertainty, CIOs, should be thinking about the reverberations of the pandemic that will continue in the coming months and years."*

Forbes, May 26<sup>th</sup> 2020

11.10am EST **How is the COVID-19 driven macro-economic environment impacting institutional investor allocation decisions and risk tolerance?**

Which investment assumptions have investment managers and institutional investors been forced to reappraise since the onset of COVID-19; and how has this reassessment impacted upon their investing processes?

### Political Risks... the 2020 U.S. Election

*"President Trump's relentless efforts to sow doubts about the legitimacy of this year's election are forcing both parties to reckon with the possibility that he may dispute the result in November if he loses — leading to an unprecedented test of American democracy."*

The Washington Post, July 23<sup>rd</sup> 2020

12.00pm EST **Why a close, or disputed, 2020 US Presidential election outcome poses a potentially devastating risk to the stability of the US political system.**

**Professor Lawrence R. Douglas**

Author, *Will He Go? Trump and the Looming Electoral Meltdown*

James J. Grosfeld Professor of Law and Jurisprudence

**Amherst College** – USA

12.30pm EST **Close of Day One**

## Day 2: Tuesday October 27<sup>th</sup> 2020

10.00am EST **Tuesday chair's opening remarks**

### Post-COVID Economics

*"(Post-COVID) we will move to a new economic model in which business and society are more open to trade-offs between efficiency and resilience."*

The Financial Times, July 20<sup>th</sup> 2020

10.05am EST **Why the repercussions of COVID-19 will require a fundamental rethink of economics.**

**Professor Joshua Gans**

Author of *The Pandemic Information Gap: The Brutal Economics of COVID-19*

Jeffrey Skoll Chair of Technical Innovation and Entrepreneurship

**University of Toronto, Rotman School of Management** – Canada

### Private Market Risks and Opportunities

10.35am EST **How will COVID-19 reshape private equity and venture capital market risk and sector concentrations?**

*"A number of (private credit) managers are busy raising capital to take advantage of the current market dislocation... the risk for investors committing capital for distressed or stressed investments is that no one knows how long the COVID-19-sparked recession and market downturn will last."*

P&I July 13<sup>th</sup> 2020

11.00am EST **Where are the underappreciated or overlooked opportunities and risks in private credit and how do you protect yourself against the former, without compromising the latter?**

### Geopolitical Risk

*"Since the second world war, America has been the pulsating centre of the global financial system. Now, though, repeated missteps, and China's growing pull, have begun to tear at the seams. Many assume the status quo is too entrenched to be challenged, but that is no longer the case... the hegemon-in-waiting financially, as geopolitically, is China."*

The Economist, May 12<sup>th</sup> 2020

11.25am EST **What is driving rising Chinese nationalism and how great a risk does it pose to the stability of our international system?**

**Professor Rana Mitter OBE**

Author of *China's Good War: How World War II Is Shaping a New Nationalism*

Director of the University of Oxford China Centre

**University of Oxford** – United Kingdom

### Breakout Rooms

11.40am EST **Discuss Professor Rana Mitter's presentation and prepare questions and comments**

Breakout Room 1 **China's economic and trade relationships with the rest of the world**

Breakout Room 2 **China's political and geopolitical relationships with the rest of the world**

12.10pm EST **What is driving rising Chinese nationalism and how great a risk does it pose to the stability of our international system?**

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12.30pm **Close of Day Two**

## Day 3: Wednesday October 28<sup>th</sup> 2020

10.00am EST **Wednesday chair's opening remarks**

### Recognizing the Dangers of Bad or Incomplete Data

*"Funds (are) scouring alternative data for edge on Covid and economy. Everything from social media to the R number is being tracked, but some question the value."*

The Financial Times, August 4<sup>th</sup> 2020

10.05am EST **Dark data: why what you don't know matters**

Professor David Hand explores the many ways in which we can be blind to missing data and how that can lead us to conclusions and actions that are mistaken, dangerous, or even disastrous. To assist in the avoidance of such a fate, he will provide us with a practical taxonomy of the types of dark data that exist and the situations in which they can arise, so that we can learn to recognize and control for them.

**Professor David Hand**

Author: *Dark Data: Why What You Don't Know Matters*

Emeritus Professor of Mathematics and Senior Research Investigator

**Imperial College, London** – United Kingdom

### Quant Strategies: Risks and Opportunities

10.45am EST **What range of internal capabilities must a quant manager possess in order to thrive in the current market environment and how can institutional investors best gauge whether their quant manager meets all these criteria?**

### Public Markets: Risks and Opportunities

11.10am EST **Which segments of the bond market currently offer the best risk-adjusted rates of return?**

*"The stock market is not the economy. Rarely has that adage been as clear as it is now... An amazing, months long rally means the S&P 500 is roughly back to where it was before the coronavirus slammed the U.S, even though millions of workers are still getting unemployment benefits and businesses continue to shutter across the country."*

New York Times, August 12<sup>th</sup> 2020

11.35am EST **Small cap vs large cap, value vs growth, developed vs developing markets: how will COVID reorder the respective risk adjusted returns in equities markets?**

### Lessons from Past Pandemics

12.00pm EST **Lessons from history: why and how epidemics such as COVID-19 as profoundly reshape nations and civilizations as do war and revolution.**

Drawing on historical examples from the Black Death to the Spanish Flu, Professor Frank Snowden's research analyzes how mass infectious outbreaks such as COVID-19 have profoundly reshaped society. Not only influencing the long-term development of medical science and public health, but also transforming the politics, intellectual history, and warfare of society

**Professor Frank Snowden**

Author *Epidemics and Society: From the Black Death to the Present*

Andrew Downey Orrick Professor Emeritus of the History of Medicine

**Yale University** - USA

12.30pm **Close of Day 3**

# Sponsors



400 Capital Management (“400CM”) was founded in 2008 by credit market veteran Chris Hentemann. Along with partners Alex Cha, Todd Leih and Bill Sanders, Chris and the team have been investing and trading in structured credit markets for over 27 years on average. 400CM offers investors access to securitized and structured credit strategies across its fund and managed account platform, including multi-sector and single-sector investment strategies, enabling investors to take advantage of the wide range of risk and return profiles available within the credit markets. 400CM invests across residential and commercial mortgage loans and securities, consumer loans and asset-backed securities, corporate assets and performing and distressed portfolios. 400CM and its affiliates employ 41 people, with offices located in New York City and London, and currently manage over USD 3 billion. [www.400capital.com](http://www.400capital.com)



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Serving investors since 1975, QMA targets superior risk-adjusted returns by combining research-driven quantitative investment processes built on economic and behavioral foundations with judgment from experienced market practitioners. QMA partners with our clients to deliver long-term investment solutions anchored in fundamentals. Ultimately, each portfolio is constructed to meet the individual financial needs of the client. An independent boutique backed by the capabilities of one of the world’s largest asset managers, QMA is the quantitative equity and global multi-asset solutions business of PGIM, the investment management businesses of Prudential Financial, Inc. As of December 31 2019, we manage approximately USD 127.2 billion in assets for a wide range of global clients. For further information please visit us at [www.qma.com](http://www.qma.com)

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## Institutional Investor Attendance\*

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Register <u>on or before September 28<sup>th</sup> 2020</u>	<b>USD 50</b> per person
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