

CHAIR BIOGRAPHIES



Urban Funered | 2023 -

Urban Funered took over as CEO of the Swedish Securities Dealers Association (SSDA) in March 2019.

Mr. Funered is a Board Member inter alia of SwedSec Licensiering (responsible for the licensing Of financial advisors in Sweden) and the Swedish House of Finance (the Swedish national Research center in financial economics). He is a Member of the ESMA Securities and Markets Stakeholder Group (SMSG).

Mr. Funered has more than 25 years of experience in a range of different financial services roles in Sweden and in Europe. He was Director of Public Policy with Fidelity International in London and Vienna (2014–2019); Diplomatic Minister and Financial Services Attaché at the Swedish Permanent Representation to the EU (2010-2014); State Secretary, Senior Adviser, and Special Adviser at the Swedish Ministry of Finance (2007-2010); Group Compliance Officer of Carnegie Investment Bank (2005-2007); Legal Counsel in the Corporate Finance Unit of Carnegie Investment Bank (1999-2005); Legal Counsel (Advokat) with the Law Firms Vinge in Stockholm and Skadden Arps Meagher & Flom in New York (1993-1999); Researcher and Lecturer in Banking and Civil Law at Lund University (1990-1993); and Judge Clerk in the Swedish Civil and Administrative Courts (1988-1990).

Mr Funered holds Juris Licentiate (Banking Law), LL.M, and BSc (Economics and Business Administration) degrees from Lund University in Sweden and a LL.M. (International Business Law) degree from Queen Mary & Westfield College/London University.



Kenneth E. Bentsen, Jr. | 2022 - 2023

Kenneth E. Bentsen, Jr. is President and CEO of SIFMA. Mr. Bentsen is also Co-Chair of the British American Finance Alliance (BAFA), a coalition of 19 British and American trade associations and industry bodies representing both financial and professional services, and Chairman of Engage China, a coalition of twelve U.S. financial services trade associations united in support of high-level engagement with China. Previously, Mr. Bentsen served as President, and earlier as the Executive Vice President of Public Policy and Advocacy for SIFMA, responsible for SIFMA's legal, regulatory, and legislative affairs and advocacy initiatives. Mr. Bentsen has also served as CEO of the Global Financial Markets Association (GFMA), SIFMA's global affiliate.

Prior to joining SIFMA, Mr. Bentsen was president of the Equipment Leasing and Finance Association (ELFA), where he led the 700-member financial services trade association representing commercial and investment banks, financial services companies, and manufacturers in the commercial finance sector. From 2003 to 2006, Mr. Bentsen was a Managing Director at Public Strategies, Inc. where he was a strategic and management consultant principally to the firm's financial services clients.

From 1995 to 2003, Mr. Bentsen served as a Member of the United States House of Representatives from Texas, where he sat on the House Financial Services Committee (and its predecessor House Banking and Financial Services Committee), and separately on the House Budget Committee. Mr. Bentsen was an active participant in the drafting and enactment of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act, and the Commodities Futures Modernization Act. During his tenure in Congress, he played an active role in legislation and oversight of regulations affecting bank and thrift charters, federal deposit insurance, securities law, derivatives, and the federal government-sponsored enterprises (Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, and the FHLB system). Mr. Bentsen was also instrumental in the passage of the landmark Balanced Budget Act of 1997, particularly with respect to health care policy.

Prior to his service in Congress, Mr. Bentsen was an investment banker at George K. Baum & Co. and previously Drexel, Burnham Lambert, Inc., where he specialized in municipal and mortgage finance.

Mr. Bentsen is a Trustee of the Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden of the Smithsonian Institution, the Bryce Harlow Foundation and the Center for Congressional and Political Studies at the American University. He also serves on the boards of the United States Capitol Historical Society and the Committee on Capital Markets Regulation.

Mr. Bentsen earned a B.A. from the University of St. Thomas and an M.P.A. from American University.



David Lynch | 2020 - 2021

David was CEO of the Australian Financial Markets Association from 2012 to 2021. During his 25-year career at AFMA, David managed the industry response to numerous regulation and taxation reforms affecting the financial sector and promoted effective dialogue with politicians, regulators, and government officials. Allied with this advocacy work, AFMA developed and maintained industry conduct standards and OTC market conventions to support advancement of the financial markets.

AFMA supported a cohesive global industry dialogue with the multilateral standard-setting bodies, including IOSCO. David was elected as Chair of the International Council of Securities Associations, the global industry body for securities industry associations for a two-year term in 2019.

Under David's oversight, AFMA's data business led global industry practice in the application of IOSCO's financial benchmarks principles. In addition, AFMA upgraded its financial markets accreditation program by enhancing the ethics competencies and outsourcing education delivery to Macquarie University.

David's early career included experience as a central bank economist and later as head of a stockbroker's economic research unit. David's academic qualifications include a Ph.D. from Macquarie University on the subject of Asia-Pacific financial markets.



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Pierre de Lauzun | 2018 - 2019

Pierre de Lauzun is a French essayist, high-ranking civil servant, banker, and financial expert. He served as the CEO of the French Financial Market Association (AMAFI) from 2002-19. Mr. de Lauzun is a graduate of the Ecole Polytechnique and École nationale d'administration.

He worked in government at the Office of the Prime Minister (1975-1981) and French Treasury, serving in the Ministry for the Economy and Finance (Secretary General, Paris Club – 1981-84), Banking Office (Head - 1984-86) and in New York (Financial Counsellor - 1986-87).

Mr. de Lauzun moved to the banking and financial sector, serving as Deputy Director General of the Banque de l'Union Européenne (1987-94), Chairman of the Industrial Credit Union - UIC (1994-98), and - following the acquisition of UIC by Goldman Sachs - Chairman of Archon Group (1998-2000).

Mr. de Lauzun has also served as:

- Treasurer and founding member of the Foundation for Schools
- Chairman of the Association of Catholic Economists
- Member of the Académie catholique de France
- Chairman of Alba Cultura
- Chairman of the Economic and Financial Ethical Committee of Entrepreneurs et dirigeants chrétiens

Distinctions include:

- Sponsor of the 2015 Class of the Institut catholique d'études supérieures (ICES)
- International 'Economy and Society' Prize of the Centesimus Annus Pro Pontifice Foundation (Vatican) for 'Finance a Christian perspective'
- Commander in the Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem
- Knight (Chevalier) of the Legion of Honor and Officer of the National Order of Merit

As an author, Mr. de Lauzun provides reflections mainly inspired by Thomistic philosophy, Catholic Social Teaching, and his professional experience in finance on philosophical, political, economic, and financial issues. He is a leader on the issue of ethical finance.



Ian Russell | 2015 – 2017

Ian Russell has long held a prominent position in the investment industry, both on a domestic and global level. He is past President and CEO of the Investment Industry Association of Canada (IIAC), a position he held since the IIAC's inauguration in April 2006.

A prolific writer and columnist, he is also a frequent media commentator, a sought-after presenter and speaker on industry issues and developments critical to the Canadian economy.

He has also been engaged in many of the past decade's most transformative capital markets events including deliberations on the LSE, TSX merger, and the Supreme Court of Canada proceedings on the jurisdiction of the national securities regulator.

Mr. Russell's extensive experience includes serving as a member of the Advisory Committee and a participant for over a decade in the Global Business Forum held in Banff, Alberta; serving as past Chair and current Board Member of the International Council of Securities Associations (ICSA) and an active participant in the International Capital Market Association's (ICMA) annual conferences; being a frequent participant in Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association (SIFMA) annual conferences and roundtables; designated leader of the Canadian mission to the Asia Financial Forum (AFF), sponsored by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council and Hong Kong Special Administrative Region; and invited as a guest and regular participant at the Cumberland Lodge Financial Summit, attended by European and international leaders to explore future policy and regulation of European capital markets. He is also an active participant in the Northwind Professional Institute seminars; a Member of the Steering Committee of the Northwind Retail Forum; and a past Member of the Board of Governors for JA Central Ontario. Ian also serves as an Independent Director on the Board of mCloud Technologies Corp.

Prior to his IIAC appointment, Ian was Senior Vice-President, Industry Relations and Representation, at the Investment Dealers Association of Canada (IDA). He also spent nearly a decade of his career at the Bank of Canada and worked as a financial analyst at the highly respected international publication *The Bank Credit Analyst*.

Ian has an Honours degree in Economics and Business from the University of Western Ontario, and a postgraduate degree (MSc Economics) from the London School of Economics and Political Science. He has completed the Partners, Directors and Senior Officers Qualifying Examination and is a Fellow of the Canadian Securities Institute.



Jong Soo Park | 2013 – 2014

Joon Soo Park served as CEO of KOFIA from 2012 – 2015.

During his tenure, KOFIA supported and guided amendments to the Financial Investment and Capital Markets Act to help bring Korea's investment banking business up to global standards, particularly by encouraging growth in areas such as hedge funds and prime brokerage. This enabled Korea's capital market to offer even more appealing options for investors.

KOFIA also strengthened its network with key economies in both the Asia Pacific region and beyond, taking up prominent roles at the International Investment Fund Association and Asia Forum for Investor Education. KOFIA led initiatives to address the aging population and prolonged short term interest rates and build confidence in the capital market.



Hwang Kun-ho | 2012

Hwang Kun-ho became the first leader of the Korea Financial Investment Association (KOFIA), which was established on February 4, 2009 through the merger of the Korea Securities Dealers Association, the Korea Futures Association, and the Asset Management Association of Korea.

Mr. Hwang took the helm of the Korea Securities Dealers Association in 2004 based on his 30-year experience in the securities industry.

Mr. Hwang started his financial career at Daewoo Securities in 1976 and once worked for Meritz Securities. He is a graduate of Yongsan High School and Seoul National University.



Rene Karsenti | 2010 - 2011

René Karsenti, senior advisor to the International Capital Market Association (ICMA), is President of the Association, having previously served as Executive President. Mr. Karsenti was Chairman of the European Capital Market Institute (ECMI) from 2008-14.

From 1995 until joining ICMA in 2006, Mr. Karsenti was Director General of Finance at the European Investment Bank (EIB) in Luxembourg, having previously served as Treasurer of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) in London from its inception in May 1991 to 1995. Prior to joining EBRD, from 1979 Mr. Karsenti held a variety of senior positions in the treasury organisations of the World Bank Group (IBRD & IFC), including as IFC Treasurer.

Mr. Karsenti is Chairman of the board of the International Finance Facility for Immunisation (IFFIm), a multilateral development institution created to accelerate the availability of predictable, long-term funds for health and immunisation programmes through the GAVI Alliance (a public private partnership with the Gates Foundation) for children in the poorest countries.

He is a member of the Securities and Markets Stakeholder Group (SMSG) of the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA), a member of the Strategic Committee of the French Debt Management Office (Agence France Trésor), a member of the Investment Advisory Committee of the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) in Rome, a member of the OECD Financial Markets Roundtable, and a member of the Governing Council of the Centre for the Study of Financial Innovation (CSFI).

He was a member of the Manager Selection Committee of the French Public Pensions Reserve Fund (FRR) from its inception in 2002 to 2010, and a member of the Investment Committee of the Fonds de Compensation, Luxembourg from 2004 to 2009.

Mr. Karsenti holds an engineering degree from ESCIL, Lyon and a PhD in Economics from the Sorbonne University in Paris. He has also carried out research in finance and economics at the University of California, Berkeley.

Mr. Karsenti has been awarded the French Legion d' Honneur.



Jonathan Taylor | 2008 – 2009

Jonathan Taylor was Chief Executive Officer of the Association for Financial Markets in Europe (AFME), having previously held the position of Director General of the London Investment Banking Association (LIBA).

Mr. Taylor left AFME to join Her Majesty's Treasury to accept the post of Managing Director, Financial Services in 2010.

From 2002 to 2005 he was a managing director at UBS. Earlier in his career, he worked in HM Treasury in a number of capacities, including as a director for macroeconomic policy and international finance. From 1994 to 1998 he was the senior Treasury official in the UK's permanent representation at the European Union.