

# ILPA Reaffirms Global Commitment to LP Advocacy in Private Markets

## European Expansion, Executive Promotions, and Appointment of First General Counsel Reflect a Deepened Commitment to Serving LP Interests Globally

**Washington, D.C.** - The Institutional Limited Partners Association (ILPA), the leading global organization for the private markets LP community, has announced a series of strategic moves to deepen its commitment to serving LPs worldwide. These initiatives include the appointment of ILPA's first General Counsel, the expansion of its global reach to Europe, and the promotion of key executives across functions.

"Building on our strong momentum, we are thrilled to make these strategic investments in our team and expand our global reach," said **Jennifer Choi**, ILPA CEO. "These moves will enhance our effectiveness in championing the interests of LPs around the world, drive industry best practices, and navigate the evolving private markets landscape."

#### Deepening the Bench in Law & Regulation

ILPA welcomes **Genie Cesar-Fabian** as its first General Counsel. Bringing two decades of experience representing companies and senior executives in the financial services arena, including over a decade as the first General Counsel/CCO at a middle market private equity firm, Genie will advise on legal matters, manage regulatory affairs, and support ILPA's advocacy efforts. Having been recognized as an industry leader by Mergers & Acquisitions, Crain's NY Business, and the National Organization for Women, her addition reinforces ILPA's commitment to amplifying the voice of its members in global discussions on transparency, governance, and alignment of interests between GPs and LPs, while enhancing ILPA's investment in its own ongoing growth and success.

#### Executing on Global Growth and European Expansion

In connection with ILPA's expanded presence in Europe, former Managing Director for Corporate Development **Greg Durst** has been appointed Senior Managing Director, Global Growth and Interim Head of Europe. In coordination with ILPA's European Advisory Council and member LPs across the region, Greg is leading a seasoned team that includes Relationship Manager **Holly Makarchuk** and Associate **Daniele Guarnaschelli** to strengthen the expansion of ILPA's services and reach to the critical European market. This move highlights ILPA's strong recognition of the importance of the European LP community and its ongoing commitment to serving their unique needs.

### Elevating Internal Leaders and Expanding the Team

Further recognizing the ongoing growth and industry impact of its senior team, **Matt Schey** has been promoted to Managing Director, External Affairs and Sustainable Investing. In this role, he will continue to lead efforts to enhance ILPA's ability to meaningfully impact industry dialogue and efforts around, among other areas, sustainability and industry stewardship.

**Stephanie Wignal** joins the ILPA team as Senior Director, Standards & Best Practices. Bringing over a decade of previous experience in alternative assets with firms such as RBC, JPMorgan, and Goldman Sachs, Stephanie will play a vital role in helping to develop and promote industry research and standards that will benefit LPs globally.

**Erika Lehmer** joins ILPA as Senior Director, Diversity in Action. With more than 17 years of experience in the alternative investments industry, Erika will helm ILPA's Diversity in Action signatory initiative, a coalition of more than 300 LP and GP signatory organizations that have demonstrated a commitment to advancing diversity, equity, and inclusion in private markets.

In addition, ILPA has proudly acknowledged the ongoing growth of its internal team with a series of well-deserved promotions and welcomed new talent to support its expansion:

- **Brian Hoehn**, recognized for his outstanding contributions, has been promoted to Director, Industry Affairs.
- **Abby Cooper**, demonstrating exceptional skill in member engagement, has been promoted to Director, Membership.
- **Jennifer Lis**, whose expertise in event management has been invaluable, has been promoted to Director, Events.
- **Isabelle Burgess**, showcasing strong research talent, has been promoted to Senior Research Associate.
- **Wesley Cheung** joins the team as Relationship Manager, bringing almost a decade of experience in member relations and relationship management.

"These promotions reflect the exceptional talent and dedication of our team," said **Choi**. "Their contributions are instrumental in achieving our mission, and we are proud to invest in their continued growth and success."

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#### **About ILPA**

With more than 600 member institutions representing over \$3T USD of private markets assets under management, the Institutional Limited Partners Association (ILPA) is the only global organization dedicated exclusively to advancing the interests of LPs and their beneficiaries. Our members include public and private pensions, insurers, endowments and foundations, family offices, development finance institutions, and sovereign wealth funds. Our policy agenda is focused on strengthening the private markets asset class through strong governance, alignment of interests and transparency.