



Welcome to WFF Wire!

At Women in Fund Finance (WFF), we champion gender diversity and inclusion across all facets of the fund finance industry. In this issue, we spotlight inspiring leaders, share insights and celebrate community accomplishments.

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Leading the Way

A Message from our WFF Co-Chairs

We're thrilled to launch the inaugural edition of WFF Quarterly. As co-chairs of this growing and dynamic network, we are excited to create a space where women across fund finance can connect, inspire, and lead together.

This newsletter is more than an update- it's a platform to highlight the incredible accomplishments, voices, and stories of women across our industry. From career spotlights and market insights to mentorship opportunities and event recaps, each edition will bring you valuable content curated with our community in mind.

As we continue to grow globally, our mission remains focused: to elevate women in fund finance, create pathways for professional development, and foster a supportive network for all career stages. We hope this newsletter helps you feel more connected and empowered within our community. Thank you for being part of this journey. We look forward to sharing, learning, and celebrating with you in every issue.

Warmly,

Dee Dee Sklar

Ann Richardson Knox

Co-Chairs, Women in Fund Finance

Farewell and New Beginnings

Effective April 1, 2025, Mary Touchstone stepped down from the FFA Board. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Mary for her dedicated leadership and unwavering commitment to the fund finance community. Over the years, Mary has been a cornerstone of our community—bringing vision, warmth, and tireless energy to every initiative. Her impact is lasting, and we know she will continue to inspire wherever she goes.

With change comes opportunity, and Fund Finance Association has welcomed Ann Richardson Knox and Sally Little as new board members. Ann brings a wealth of experience in strategic leadership and advocacy, while Sally adds a dynamic perspective shaped by her work in community engagement and innovation. Together, they represent the collaborative spirit and forward momentum that define WFF's mission. We're excited for the future and look forward to the fresh energy and ideas they'll bring.

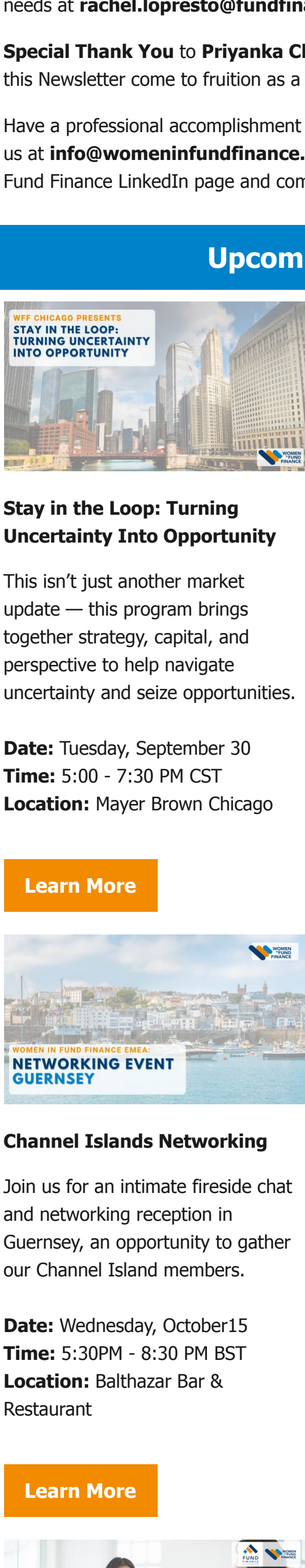
Sponsor Highlights

2026 Sponsorships are now open!

We are thrilled to share our sponsorship offerings for next year!

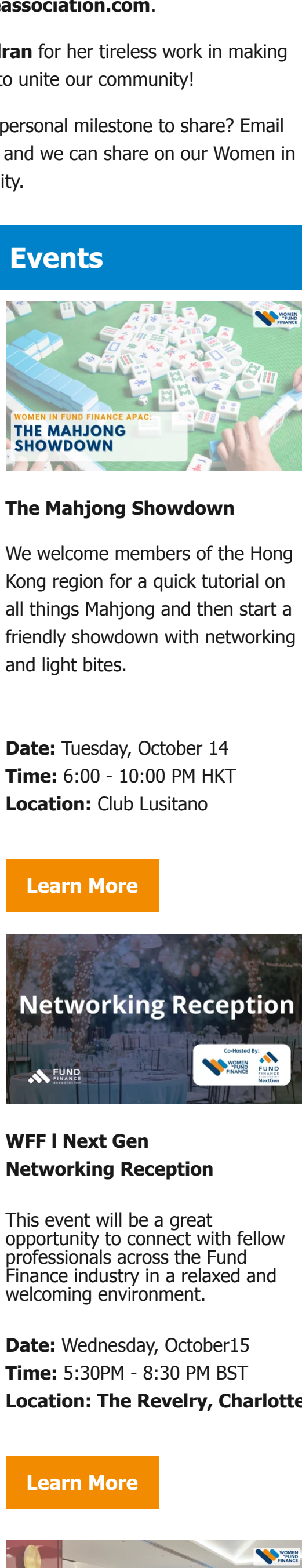
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Event Recap



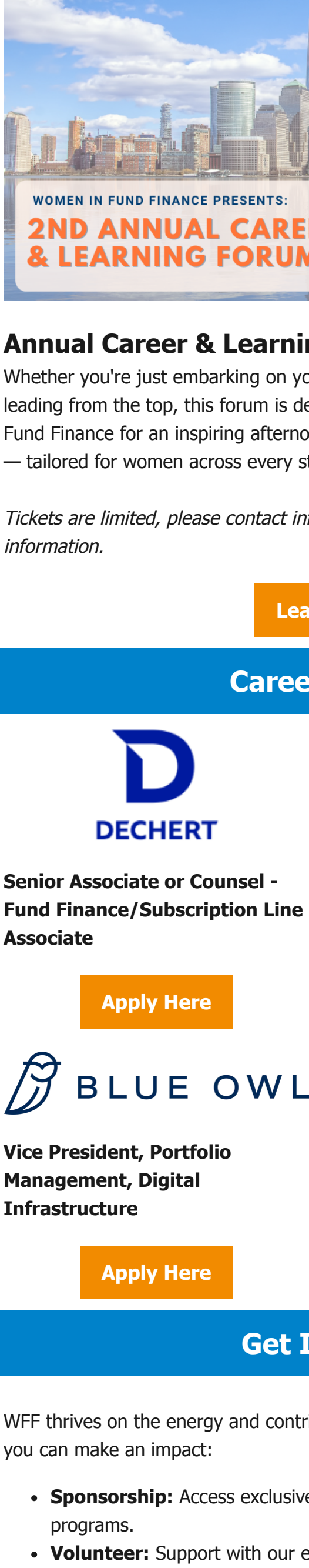
EMEA Annual Networking Drinks

Women across the fund finance industry came together at the historic Middle Temple House in London for our Annual Networking Drinks—an energizing evening of great conversation, new connections, and celebrating the strength of our community.



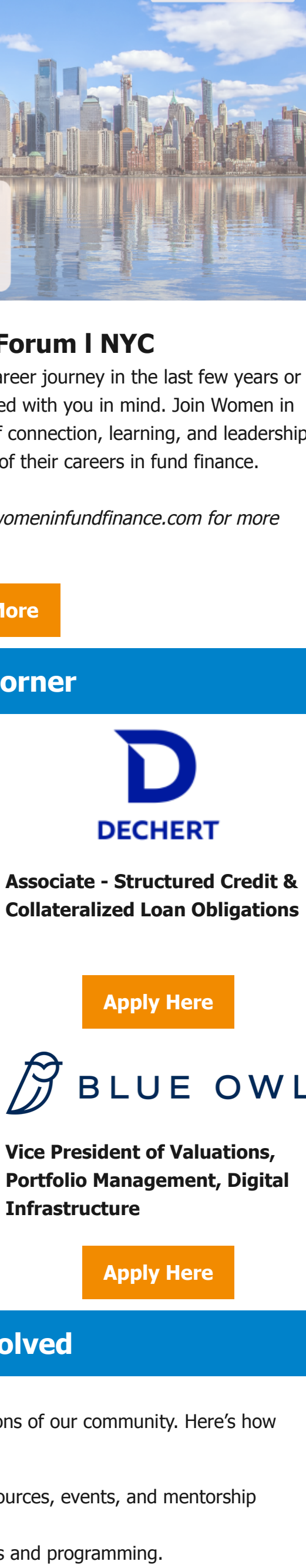
3rd Annual Golf Outing

The Summer Golf Event at Dyker Beach sponsored by Assured Guaranty, Cadwalader, and TriState Insurance, brought together an inspiring group of women for sunshine, on the links. A blend of skill-building, confidence, and community in one unforgettable afternoon.



Executive Safety Travel Programme

An empowering Executive Travel Safety Programme at Ashurst in Singapore equipped participants with practical self-defence skills and safety strategies from counter-terror expert Qin Yunquan.



Annual EMEA Breakfast and Panel

Nomura sponsored and hosted an engaging breakfast and panel for a sold-out crowd preceding our EMEA FFA Symposium. Attendees were welcomed with a great conversation on how to lead in a volatile market.

Community Spotlight

Shifting Gears: *People in Motion*

We're proud to spotlight the achievements, transitions, and growth journeys of the women in our community. Every milestone reflects the power of women leading, shaping and excelling in the world of fund finance. This quarter's highlights include:

Dee Dee Sklar joins Bayview Asset Management as Senior Advisor in the firm's Insurance Management Business

Jeannie Kim joins CIBC as Executive Director, focused on structured equity finance origination. In her role, Jeannie will be providing liquidity solutions for margin loans, secondaries, and single fund NAV financing.

Our very own EMEA Co-Head, **Fantine Jeannon**, has come on board at KBRA this past spring.

In June, Women in Fund Finance has welcomed Rachel LoPresto as our Senior Associate, Marketing and Events. Please feel to reach out to her with any WFF needs at rachel.lopresto@fundfinanceassociation.com.

Special Thank You to **Priyanka Chandran** for her tireless work in making this Newsletter come to fruition as a tool to unite our community!

Have a professional accomplishment or a personal milestone to share? Email us at info@womeninfundfinance.com and we can share on our Women in Fund Finance LinkedIn page and community.

Upcoming Events



Stay in the Loop: Turning Uncertainty Into Opportunity

This isn't just another market update — this program brings together strategy, capital, and perspective to help navigate uncertainty and seize opportunities.

Date: Tuesday, September 30

Time: 5:00 - 7:30 PM CST

Location: Mayer Brown Chicago

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The Mahjong Showdown

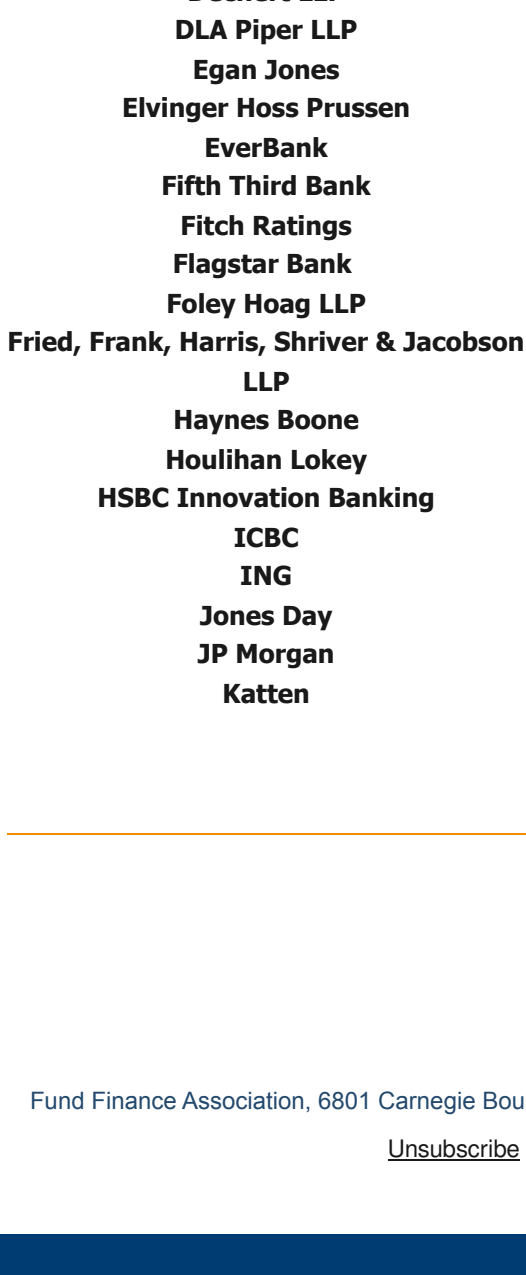
We welcome members of the Hong Kong region for a quick tutorial on all things Mahjong and then start a friendly showdown with networking and light bites.

Date: Tuesday, October 14

Time: 6:00 - 10:00 PM HKT

Location: Club Lustano

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Channel Islands Networking

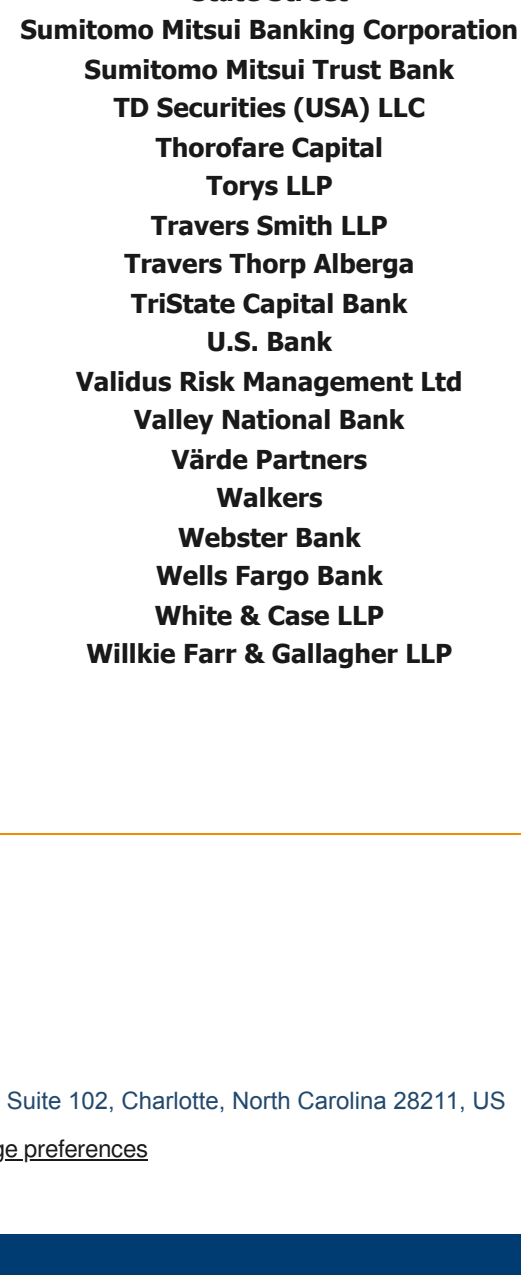
Join us for an intimate fireside chat and networking reception in Guernsey, an opportunity to gather our Channel Island members.

Date: Wednesday, October 15

Time: 5:30PM - 8:30 PM BST

Location: Balthazar Bar & Restaurant

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Networking Reception

This event will be a great opportunity to connect with fellow professionals across the Fund Finance industry in a relaxed and welcoming environment.

Date: Wednesday, October 15

Time: 5:30PM - 8:30 PM BST

Location: The Revelry, Charlotte

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Executive Coaching: Leading with Influence

This executive coaching session co-hosted by WFF and DFF in Sydney, will be led by **Caterina Spiteri** and **Dr. Justine Corry**, who bring to the universal challenge of influence and confidence.

Date: Wednesday, October 29

Time: 10:00AM - 12:00 PM AEST

Location: National Australia Bank

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Hong Kong Panel & Luncheon

Our Annual Luncheon preceding the FFA APAC Symposium in Hong Kong, featuring an engaging keynote and luncheon.

Date: Wednesday, November 5

Time: 12:00PM - 2:00 PM HKT

Location: Hong Kong Bankers Club

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Annual Career & Learning Forum | NYC

Whether you're just embarking on your career journey in the last few years or leading from the top, this forum is designed with you in mind. Join Women in Fund Finance for an inspiring afternoon of connection, learning, and leadership — tailored for women across every stage of their careers in fund finance.

Tickets are limited, please contact info@womeninfundfinance.com for more information.

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Career Corner

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Get Involved

WFF thrives on the energy and contributions of our community. Here's how you can make an impact:

- **Sponsorship:** Access exclusive resources, events, and mentorship programs.
- **Volunteer:** Support with our events and programming.
- **Feature Your Story:** Share your journey or a success story to inspire others.

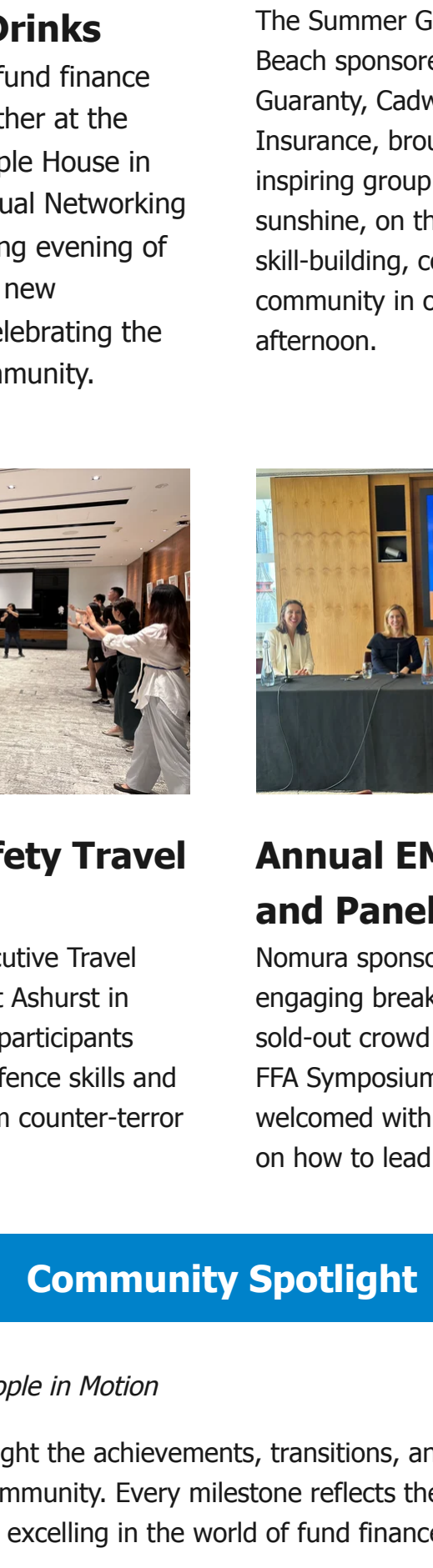
Contact us at info@womeninfundfinance.com or join our [LinkedIn](#) community.

About Women in Fund Finance

Women in Fund Finance is dedicated to creating a more inclusive and diverse fund finance industry. By offering mentorship, networking, and educational opportunities, WFF enables women to achieve their full potential and fosters systemic change across the industry.

Learn more at www.womeninfundfinance.com.

Save the Date!



15th Annual Women in Fund Finance Global Reception

Sunday, February 1, 2026

Eden Roc Garden
4525 Collins Ave
Miami Beach, FL 33140, United States



15th Annual Global Fund Finance Symposium

February 2-4, 2026

Fontainebleau Miami Beach
4441 Collin Avenue
Miami Beach, FL 33140, United States

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