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Global Outlook: Opportunities and Obstacles That Lie Ahead

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Geneva

Upheavals in the global economy over the past year has led to significant uncertainty and heightened levels of volatility. Looking ahead, what are investors' perspectives across risk assets and regions?

- Will Europe's recovery remain resilient in the face of Emerging Market turbulence?
- Is the strong dollar and downshift in commodity prices reaching an inflection point?
- How to unlock returns in the Fixed Income space via unconstrained strategies?
- What are the opportunities in currency markets?
- What type of Hedge Fund strategies should be favored for their distinct risk-return profile?

In light of the above, how should investors best structure their portfolio as we move into 2016? Please join us for a panel discussion on Equities, Fixed Income and Commodities to examine and discuss the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead.

Participants

Elif Aktug, Pictet Asset Management

Andres Sanchez Balcazar, Pictet Asset Management

David Whitcomb, Cargill World Trading Unit

Romy Cuadras, **Moderator**, Deutsche Bank Asset & Wealth Management

Event Details

Date: November 5, 2015

Time: 5:45 PM Registration.

We will begin *promptly* at 6:15 PM; please arrive early. Since it is disruptive to everyone when latecomers enter the session, those arriving after an education session has begun will only be admitted at the discretion of 100WHF and the host. Please note the start time on this invite and plan to arrive early.

Host: Pictet Asset Management

Location: Route des acacias 60, **Geneva**, 1211, Switzerland

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Biographies

Elif Aktug, Fund Manager, Agora, Pictet Asset Management

Elif Aktug joined Pictet Asset Management in 2011 to launch the Agora Fund, a European catalyst-driven market neutral strategy. Before joining Pictet, Elif spent thirteen years with Goldman Sachs. She started her career as an Analyst at Goldman Sachs' Investment Banking division in 1997 in the French M&A division. In 2001, Elif moved to Goldman Sachs' proprietary trading desk (GSPS) investing in European large cap equities. In 2006, she was appointed Managing Director, and became head of the European equity long/short book in 2010. Elif is of Turkish nationality and holds an MBA degree from Stanford University and a degree in Finance from the Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris.

Andres Sanchez Balcazar, Co-Head of Global & Regional Bonds, Pictet Asset Management

Andres Sanchez Balcazar joined Pictet Asset Management's Fixed Income team in 2011 as Co-Head of Global & Regional Bonds. Before joining Pictet, he was a senior portfolio manager for Western Asset Management Company Ltd for six years. During his tenure he was responsible for global, European and absolute return fixed income portfolios. Previously, he worked for five years as a global and European portfolio manager with Merrill Lynch Investment Managers. Andres started his career in 1997 at Banco de la Republica de Colombia where he provided macroeconomic analysis of the US, Europe and Japan. Andres holds a degree in Economics from Universidad de los Andes and a Master's degree in Management from HEC Paris. He is also a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) charterholder.

David Whitcomb, Portfolio Manager, Cargill World Trading Unit

David has been with Cargill for ten years and in Geneva for four years. In his current role he is a portfolio manager in grain and oilseed markets as part of Cargill's "Non-Fundamental Analysis" group - the group that analyzes how different macroeconomic and investment fund drivers impact prices in commodity markets. Prior to his role in Geneva he traded foreign exchange and interest rate derivatives for Cargill Treasury in Minneapolis, MN. David is a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) charterholder.

Romy Cuadras, Managing Director, Head of Fund Solutions, Deutsche Bank Asset & Wealth Management

Romy Cuadras has been in the financial industry since 1994. Based in Geneva, Switzerland, she is currently responsible for the advisory business of the Alternatives, Mutual Funds & ETFs for the Wealth Management division of Deutsche Asset & Wealth Management. Prior to Deutsche, she was the co-manager of the EFG Bank Navigator multi-strategy Fund of Hedge Funds, a hedge fund analyst and a member of the investment committee of several other Funds of Hedge Funds. Romy began her financial career at Coutts (USA) International in 1994 moving to EFG Bank in Miami in 1998 where she was responsible for all aspects of trading, investment advising, in addition to the implementation and supervision of all operational aspects of Hedge Funds. She relocated to the Geneva office in 2004 to focus on Hedge Funds and manage the multi-strategy fund. She joined Deutsche Bank as an Hedge Fund analyst in 2008 and moved to the advisory side in 2009. Her initial focus was Alternatives, primarily Hedge Funds, where it has then expanded into Mutual Funds and ETFs. Romy has a Bachelor of International Studies from the University of Miami where she double majored in International Relations and Latin American studies. She holds the Chartered Alternative Investment Analyst (CAIA) designation.



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