



## 100WHF Women in Leadership Luncheon

November 17, 2015 at 11:30AM

Abu Dhabi

Are women effective networkers and leaders? Globally, female leaders consistently rank the highest when rated by people who work with them, according to recent studies. Yet, only a small minority of the world's CEOs today are women.

Join us for an exclusive 100 Women in Hedge Funds event hosted by Wellington Management at the Emirates Palace in Abu Dhabi on 17 November 2015. We will be joined by leading women within finance for an investment-focused panel discussion and keynote address, as they tackle a variety of topics and share their perspectives and personal experience in the industry.

Take this opportunity to join the very first event held by 100 Women in Hedge Funds in the Middle East, and please note that men are also welcome. Please RSVP and feel free to forward this invitation to your female and male colleagues in the region who may have an interest in the topic of Women in Leadership and investing in the region.

### Participants

#### ***Introductory remarks***

**Clare Woodcraft-Scott**, Chief Executive Officer, Emirates Foundation

#### ***Panel***

**Farah Foustok**, ***Moderator***, Managing Director, Senior Executive Officer, Lazard Gulf Ltd. (Dubai)

**Hoda Abou-Jamra**, ***Private Equity***, Founding Partner, TVM Capital Healthcare Partners

**Adriana Clancy**, ***Hedge Funds***, Partner, Research and Portfolio Management, Corbin Capital Partners

**May Nasrallah**, ***Investment Banking***, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, deNovo Corporate Advisors

**Sarah K. Williamson**, ***Asset Management***, Partner, Director of Alternative Investments, Wellington Management

#### ***Keynote address***

**Dr. Florence Eid-Oakden**, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Economist, Arabia Monitor

### Event Details

**Date:** November 17, 2015

**Time:** 11:30 AM to 2:00 PM over a seated lunch

**Host:** Wellington Management International Ltd

**Location:** Emirates Palace

West Corniche Road,

**Abu Dhabi**, United Arab Emirates

**100WHF Members RSVP:** [RSVP Now](#)

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## **Biographies**

**Clare Woodcraft-Scott**, Chief Executive Officer, Emirates Foundation

Clare Woodcraft is the Chief Executive Officer of Emirates Foundation, the national foundation of the UAE, and is responsible for driving its vision of supporting youth development in the country. In her role as CEO she oversaw the transition of the Foundation from a traditional grant-making entity into a more sustainable operational one focused on guiding, inspiring and empowering young people, using the model of social enterprise.

Woodcraft brings over 20 years of experience working in the field of sustainable socio-economic development in the Middle East and Africa with particular focus on the finance and energy sectors. She has worked as a development practitioner, a journalist and a corporate executive specializing in sustainability and social investment. Prior to joining Emirates Foundation, she was Deputy Director of Shell Foundation, working on building social enterprises to help address global development challenges. Earlier, Woodcraft worked as the Regional Director of Communications for Royal Dutch Shell in the Middle East and North Africa managing the oil major's social investment portfolio in the region and addressing issues related to sustainability.

She previously headed Visa International's public affairs arm in emerging markets (Central Eastern Europe, Middle East and Africa) that saw her working closely with governments and financial sectors in Africa and the Middle East looking at the role of electronic payments socio-economic development.

Woodcraft also worked in Palestine for various development agencies and contributed to several literary studies on the issue of sustainable socio-economic development. She earlier served as the Finance Editor of Middle East Economic Survey (MEES), an oil and gas journal, where she wrote about regional finance but also other aspects of regional economic development.

Woodcraft is a fluent Arabic speaker holding a bachelor's degree in Arabic and French from Salford University in the UK and a Masters in Sustainable Development from the London School of Economics.

**Farah Foustok**, Managing Director, Senior Executive Officer, Lazard Gulf Ltd. (Dubai)

Farah Foustok is a Managing Director and Senior Executive Officer of Lazard Gulf Ltd. (Dubai). She began working in the investment field in 1994. Prior to joining Lazard in 2014, she was Chief Executive Officer and Chief Investment Officer of ING Investment Management Middle East from 2008.

Previously, she was the Head of Asset Management at NBD Investment Bank. Farah was a senior fund manager at EFG-Hermes prior to NBD IB, responsible for managing GCC and MENA funds and portfolios. Farah spent five years at Deutsche Bank in London, in Equity Strategy. She has also worked at Morgan Stanley within Equity Sales, followed by three years in commercial real estate advisory in Europe.

Farah also has Private Equity exposure through a private venture in Argentina and an internet start-up in the UK. In 2010, Farah was selected to participate on an advisory panel for the Dubai Financial Services Authority. In 2012 Farah was elected as the chairperson of the board for the UAE Financial Services Association. In December 2013, Farah was one of four founding members of the first non-profit female mentoring program in the DIFC, Reach. April 2014 Farah completed her accreditation with Mudara, Institute of Directors, to become the 4th female certified board director in the Gulf region. In 2015 Farah founded and chairs the Steering Committee for the GCC chapter of the 30% club to develop & promote female leadership in the region.

Farah holds an MBA from Imperial College London and a BSc Hons in Mathematics from King's College, London.

**Hoda Abou-Jamra**, Founding Partner, TVM Capital Healthcare Partners

Hoda Abou-Jamra has forged a successful investment career in the United States and the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region, driven by a deep passion to promote corporate and societal progress. As the Founding Partner of TVM Capital Healthcare Partners, a specialist UAE-based private equity company, she is driving the firm's fundraising and business development activities in the UAE since 2007. Forging international partnerships and generating deals by identifying gaps in healthcare provision across the Middle East and North Africa are part of her role in the firm's Investment Committee.

Hoda is a regular speaker and commentator in the global private equity and healthcare arena. Additionally, as an advocate of social impact investing, she sits on a number of boards in the UAE and the US where she plays key roles: Dubai Business Women's Council, and Women Business Leaders of the U.S. Health Care Industry Foundation (WBL).

Hoda's earlier career focused on healthcare investment in the US, and she maintains strong links with the US healthcare and biosciences community, especially in the Boston area. Additionally to her tenure at TVM Capital Healthcare Partners, she is the founder and CEO of the non-profit think tank organisation The BioExec Institute Inc., as well as The HealthExec Institute and former CEO of Boston BioCapital. She graduated from the Bouve College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Boston, with a degree in Pharmacy.

**Adriana Clancy**, Partner, Research and Portfolio Management, Corbin Capital Partners

Adriana Clancy leads Corbin Capital's fundamental research and sourcing of investments in equities and credit in Europe, where she was based from 2006-2008. She also works on opportunities in Asia and North America. Adriana is a member of Corbin's Investment Committee. Prior to joining Corbin in May 2004, Adriana was with Goldman, Sachs & Co. as an Equities Trader focused on TMT stocks. Adriana also worked at JP Morgan & Co., where she was an Equity Research Associate covering Latin American food and beverages. Previously, she worked in JP Morgan & Companies Internal Consulting Group.

Adriana received her MBA in Finance from Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University and a B.A. in Spanish from Dartmouth College.

**May Nasrallah**, Founder, Chief Executive Officer, deNovo Corporate Advisors

May Nasrallah is the founder and Chief Executive Officer of deNovo Corporate Advisors, and Independent, Middle-East focused, best-in-class corporate advisory firm, offering international bulge bracket expertise to regional corporations. deNovo's activities include regional and cross-border mergers and acquisitions, restructurings and capital raising transactions covering clients across various services and industries.

Prior to founding deNovo, May spent over 15 years at Morgan Stanley in numerous capacities and geographies including New York, Hong Kong, London and Dubai. Most recently, she was Head of Investment Banking for the Middle East and North Africa region, where she established, led and grew Morgan Stanley's first-ever on-the-ground investment banking presence in the Middle East, based in the DIFC.

May was ranked in the top 500 Most Influential Arabs in Arabian Business magazine in 2013 and 2012; and in the top 100 most influential Arab Women. She has also been selected as one of a small group of Arab Business Professionals by the UAE Prime Minister's Office to an exclusive Economic Forum with Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al-Maktoum and then U.S. President George W. Bush, during the first US President's Official Visit to the Emirate of Dubai

May graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology with a dual major: Bachelor of Science in Economics and Bachelor of Science in Political Science. May received her Masters in Management and Finance from MIT's Sloan School of Management. May was a member of MIT's Sigma Xi Honor Society and received numerous awards and recognitions for various competitions, initiatives and volunteer work during her years at MIT.

May speaks fluent Arabic, English and conversational French.

**Sarah K. Williamson**, Partner, Director of Alternatives Wellington Management

As director of Wellington Management Alternative Investments, Sarah K. Williamson is responsible for guiding the evolution and growth of the firm's investment offerings in the alternatives arena and ensuring that the firm has strong relationships with its alternatives clients around the world. She works with global teams to understand these clients' objectives and create investment solutions to meet those objectives. Sarah serves as chair of the Wellington Trust Company, NA and the Trust Investment Committee. She has served on numerous firm boards and committees and is a member of the board of Wellington Management Advisers, Inc. and the firm's Capital Commitments Committee. Sarah has been very involved with the firm's global diversity and inclusion efforts as the founding chair of the Diversity Committee, a senior advocate for the Wellington Women's Network, and sponsor of the Parents Network. In addition, she has served on boards and investment committees for several educational and charitable organizations for over 15 years.

Sarah joined Wellington Management in 1995 in Boston and opened the San Francisco office in 1997. After almost seven years in San Francisco, she returned to Boston in 2003. Prior to joining the firm, she spent over five years with McKinsey & Company Inc. (1989-1994). She was also employed by the US Department of State (1986-1987) and worked for Goldman, Sachs & Co. (1984 - 1986). She earned her MBA, with distinction, from Harvard Business School (1989) and her BA in economics, with honors, from Williams College (1984). Additionally, she holds the Chartered Financial Analyst and the Chartered Alternative Investment Analyst designations.

**Dr. Florence Eid-Oakden**, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Economist, Arabia Monitor

Dr. Florence Eid-Oakden is the CEO and Chief Economist of Arabia Monitor. She has been a professor of economics and finance at the American University of Beirut and a visiting professor at INSEAD and HEC Paris. Formerly head of MENA research at JP Morgan, Dr. Eid-Oakden has also worked with the World Bank on Latin America & North Africa and on the buy side as a hedge fund investment professional. She serves on the Board of Directors for the Arab Banking Corporation International Bank in London and in Jordan, the Arab Bankers Association of North America in New York, and sits on the Advisory Council of the Al Faisal University College of Business, Saudi Arabia. She has also served as a Trustee of the American University in Paris, and a Director of Shuaa Capital in Dubai. Dr. Eid-Oakden received her Ph.D. in Organization Economics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) with a joint MIT- Harvard Doctoral Committee. She is fluent in Arabic, English, French and Spanish.

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