

Education Session No. 608: Alternative Investments: An Outlook for the US Economy in 2016

January 20, 2016 at 6 PM Stamford, CT

A great divide has opened in many areas of the economy. While U.S. and global economic growth continued at a modest pace in 2015, financial markets experienced increased turbulence. As you prepare for another cycle of financial uncertainty, hear the views of Constance Hunter, KPMG's Chief Economist. She will give an overview of economic trends, highlighting specific sectors of interest for their upside potential and noting those with increased risk factors. Bring your questions and prepare to share scenarios.

Participants

Constance Hunter, KPMG Mary Grande, *Moderator*, KPMG

Event Details

Date: January 20, 2016 **Time:** 5 PM Registration.

We will begin *promptly* at 6 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.

Networking and cocktails will follow.

Host: KPMG

Location: Stamford Square, 3001 Summer Street, Stamford, CT 06905

(Please see below for directions.)

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Directions

A shuttle bus will be provided at the Stamford train station at 5:15 p.m, 5:26 p.m. and 5:45 p.m. Please tell the driver you are attending the KPMG event.

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If you have any questions about this event, please contact the Connecticut committee.

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Space is limited. No walk-ins will be permitted.

Biographies

Constance Hunter. Chief Economist. KPMG

Constance is the Chief Economist of KPMG LLP. She focuses on the global economy and its impact on the firm and our clients. Constance analyzes how economic developments and inflection points impact asset prices and businesses. Constance specializes in identifying linkages between developed and emerging markets and paradigm shifts brought about by disruptive technologies and mega trends.

As an economic thought leader, she works alongside KPMG's Leadership Team and across the three practice disciplines (Audit, Tax, Advisory) driving two main areas of focus that are: forecasting, planning, and strategy, and relationship development and branding. Constance has over twenty years of investment experience across all main asset classes, including seven as Chief Investment Officer and six as Chief Economist.

Prior to joining KPMG LLP, Constance served as Deputy Chief Investment Officer for Fixed Income at Axa Investment Managers, was a Managing Director and Chief Economist at Aladdin Capital and Chief Economist at Galtere Ltd., a global macro hedge fund. Concurrently with, and prior to Galtere Ltd., she was the Managing Member and Chief Investment Officer of Coronat Asset Management. Before founding Coronat, Constance was a Partner and Portfolio Manager at Quantrarian Capital Management, a hedge fund that invests in Asian markets. In addition, she has worked as a Portfolio Manager at Salomon Smith Barney, Inc., and Firebird Management, LLC after starting her career as an economist at Chase Manhattan Bank N.A. in Foreign Exchange.

Constance gives over 100 speeches per year at KPMG and external conferences around the world on a wide variety of macroeconomic topics. She also engages in one-on-one discussions with C-suite executives and boards of directors of Fortune 500 companies. Her department publishes a monthly economic note and she contributes to many thought leadership pieces each quarter. She is also a frequent guest and co-host on all major financial media channels including CNBC, Bloomberg, PBS Nightly Business and Fox Business and she is widely quoted in the print media. Additionally, Constance is a contributor to Roubini Global Economonitor penning the Spurious Data blog. She has also been published in The Harriman Review, Bloomberg Brief's Economic Brief as well as Business Economics, The Journal of the National Association for Business Economics.

Mary Grande, Tax Partner, KPMG

Mary is a Partner in KPMG's Metro New York Financial Services tax practice and is based in KPMG's Stamford, CT office. Mary specializes in providing tax compliance and consulting services to clients primarily in the asset management industry. Mary has extensive experience working with private equity funds, privately held real estate funds, private equity funds, mortgage and equity real estate investment trusts, and inbound investors, including foreign sovereign wealth funds.



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100 Women in Hedge Funds is a global, practitioner-driven non-profit organization serving over 13,000 alternative investment management investors and professionals in 20 locations through educational, professional leverage and philanthropic initiatives. Formed in 2001, 100 Women in Hedge Funds has hosted over 500 industry education events globally, connected more than 350 senior women through Peer Advisory Groups and raised over \$38 million for philanthropic causes in the areas of women's and family health, education and mentoring.