Private Equity Firms and the Pandemic: Key Players, Key Concerns and Tough Decisions June 16, 2020

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AGENDA

- Panelist Introductions
- Private Equity Overview
- COVID-19 Impact on Private Equity (survey results)
- What We Found
- Question & Answer
- Next Webinars





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- Jyoti Aggarwala is a Principal at Private Capital Raise based in NYC. Her firm places partnership interests of private funds with institutional single, and multi-family office investors (LPs) and advises public and private asset managers (GPs) on integrating ESG sustainability factors into their investment process.
- She is a senior private markets business development professional and placement agent, registered with Profor Securities, LLC. Jyoti has 20+ years of experience raising capital for small, emerging, impact and diverse private asset managers.





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PRIVATE EQUITY
ECOSYSTEM
(overview)

Institutional
Investors
(Ltd. Partners)
(LP)

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Private Equity Firm (Fund Manager)
[General Partner (GP)]

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Portfolio Companies



COVID-19 Impact on Private Equity



Limited Partners Speak

On March 26, 2020, ILPA held an **interactive town hall with 583 participants from 192 organizations** to discuss the impact of COVID-19 on their programs, portfolios, and teams to date

On average, ~200 responses were received for each of the 5 polling questions and over 200 additional questions were received, indicating where members are addressing challenges and seeking insight

16 1-on-1 hour-long interviews with ILPA members since March 5 as part of ILPA's *LP Insights Program* have centered on COVID-19

ILPA spoke with **members in Asia** as they were transitioning to remote work and members in the US with **Asia-based investments** early in the crisis; subsequently, ILPA has interviewed a **regionally diverse** set of members

A **COVID-19 channel on ILPA Connect** - ILPA's members-only online discussion forum - gives LPs a place to raise concerns, ask questions, and share experiences as they navigate an uncertain market

Through a combination of polling questions and unprompted member posts, ~100 members have shared their perspectives on COVID-19 and its impact on their programs, portfolios, and teams

LP Liquidity and their Private EquityAllocations

Fund Manager's change in capital calls

- The effect on Short-term credit lines
- Partnership Agreement & Legal Considerations

INVESTOR CONCERNS

Private Equity Firm (Fund Manager)
[General Partner (GP)]

Portfolio Companies

Institutional Investors (Ltd. Partners) (LP)

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FUND MANAGER
CONCERNS

Institutional Investors (Ltd. Partners)

GP Communication Quality

General Partner Fundraising Activity

Private Equity Firm (Fund Manager)
[General Partner (GP)]

Manager Outlook & Commitment Pacing

Portfolio Companies

Legal Provisions



THE PORTFOLIO
COMPANY CONCERNS

Institutional Investors (Ltd. Partners)

Company Valuations

- Covid-19 impact +/-
- Liquidity for operations
- Supply/Demand shocks

Private Equity Firm (Fund Manager)
[General Partner (GP)]

- Rescue Financing
 - Debt reduction
 - Financial health vs covenants.

Portfolio Companies

Transition to Remote Work

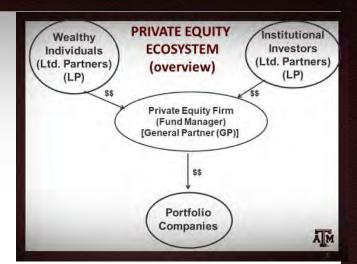
- Privacy / Data security
- Health &
 Safety
 Remote and
 work
 environment

infrastructure





Q&A







TAMU Law Answers Webinar Series

The video recording of this webinar, along with the presentation slides, will be available at TAMULawAnswers.info
next week.



TAMU Law Answers Webinar Series

Tuesday, June 23

3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprises and the Joint Venture:

Leveraging for More Opportunities & Bigger Engagements

Thursday, June 25

12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m. -- 1.5 CLE hours
Immigrant Rights during the Pandemic:
Litigating Habeas Petitions for Detained Immigrants
Within the Fifth Circuit

Wednesday, July 8

12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m.

Commercial Tenant Considerations in the Age of COVID





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