

# *Frankfurt Seminar: High Yield and Leveraged Finance in Europe (2)*

25 April 2024

09:00 / Registration and refreshments

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09:30 / Welcome remarks

## **SPEAKER**



Gary Simmons

Managing Director, High Yield and ECM, AFME

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09:45 / Panel discussion 1: Leveraged Finance and High Yield Bond Market Update

## **OVERVIEW**

- / FY 2023 and Q1'2024 market performance.
- / Opportunities, challenges and alternatives for European leveraged finance markets.
- / German economy 2023 and Q1'2024 - implications for the local debt market.
- / Predictions for the year ahead – sponsor, buy-side, private credit and bank perspectives.

## **MODERATOR**



Simone Bono

Partner, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer

## SPEAKER



Jonas Jepp

Managing Director, Deutsche Bank



Julia Frank

Managing Director, Loans & Leveraged Finance , Citi



Patrick Janssen

Director, European Leveraged Finance, S&P Global Ratings

10:30 / Panel discussion 2: Trends and Outlook for Restructuring in 2024

## OVERVIEW

- / Discussion of restructuring landscape and trends from 2023 and Q1'2024.
- / Restructuring toolbox - StaRUG and comparative regimes across Europe, the UK and the US.
- / What's next? Potential drivers of restructuring activity in Germany and Europe, views from creditors, sponsors, financial advisors, and counsel.

## MODERATOR



Dr Marvin Knapp

Partner, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer

## SPEAKER



Henning Block

Partner, Rothschild & Co



Joachim Lubczyk

Managing Director, Alvarez & Marsal



Lindsay Hingston

Partner, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer



Tobias Hoffmann-Becking

Managing Partner, Birkenstein Capital

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11:15 / Refreshment Break

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## 11:45 / Panel discussion 3: Spotlight on M&A and Acquisition Finance

### OVERVIEW

- / M&A and acquisition finance market update for Q1'2024.
- / M&A pipeline and predictions and for the year ahead.
- / Interplay between syndicated markets and private credit for acquisition finance.
- / Regulatory considerations.
- / Trends in the German M&A market.

### MODERATOR



Haden Henderson

Partner, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer

### SPEAKER



Aileen Haller

Managing Director, Ares Management



Ekaterina Ksoll

Managing Director, European Co-Head Leveraged Finance, Co-Head of Debt Advisory DACH, Rothschild & Co



Michael Josenhans

Partner, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer



Thomas Vaske

Head of Capital Markets, Bregal Unternehmerkapital

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## 12:30 / Closing Remarks

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## 12:35 / Networking Lunch

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