

Biographies

Amber Capital**Joseph Oughourlian, Portfolio Manager & Managing Partner**

Joseph Oughourlian, Co-Founder and Managing Partner of Amber Capital, is the sole Portfolio Manager of the Amber Global Opportunities Fund and the Amber Master Fund. Joseph began his career at Société Générale in Paris 1994 and soon moved to New York to the US risk arbitrage desk, within the bank's equity derivatives division. In 1997, he started managing a proprietary trading desk of Société Générale in New York. This led to the Amber Fund being established in October 2001, with seed capital from the bank. From 2001 to 2005, he managed the Amber Fund at Société Générale and started raising outside capital in 2003. In November 2005, he co-founded Amber Capital in New York, the Investment Manager for the Amber Funds and became independent. Amber Capital grew and established a strong presence in Europe. In January 2009, Amber Capital launched the Amber Global Opportunities Fund with Joseph as the sole Portfolio Manager. Joseph graduated from the HEC Business School and from IEP (Sciences-Po), both in Paris, and earned his MSc in Economics from Sorbonne in Paris.

Concordia Advisors**Jason Hathorn, Co-Head of Global Equity Relative Value Strategy & Portfolio Manager**

Jason Hathorn is co-Head of Concordia's Global Equity Relative Value team. He is a board director of the firm. He and Jason Cheung joined Concordia in January 1999 from Litchfield Capital Management to establish the firm's equity trading capability. Previously, Jason Hathorn was Head of Quantitative Research at Buchanan Partners, which he joined in 1992. He became the lead fund manager for the Buchanan European Hedge Fund. Earlier in his career, he worked for Prudential Portfolio Managers and Hill Samuel Investment Management. Jason Hathorn is an Associate of the Society of Investment Professionals, the UK member society of the Association for Investment Management and Research (AIMR). He holds a B.Sc. in Chemistry from the University of Bristol and an M.Sc. in Statistics from the University of Westminster.

Laffitte Capital Management**Eric Robbe, Chairman & Founding Partner**

Eric is a founding partner of Laffitte Capital Management, Chairman, and a member of the firm's investment committee. Prior to establishing Laffitte, Eric worked 17 years at the French bank Credit Mutuel-CIC, where he created a subsidiary with desks in Paris, New York and Singapore dedicated to Basket Trading, Merger Arbitrage and Equity Finance. Eric and his team (the other founding partners of Laffitte Capital Management) managed more than €11Bln in Europe and in the United States, including a portfolio of €900m focused on Merger Arbitrage. The team returned 17 successive years of profit. Prior to joining Credit Mutuel-CIC, Eric worked at James Capel as an Options & Convertibles trader. Eric graduated with a Masters' degree in commodities from INSTN (National Institute of Nuclear Science and Techniques) and a Masters in Financial markets from Paris Dauphine University.

Trafalgar Asset Managers**Sean Laird, Senior Analyst**

Sean joined Trafalgar in 2002, Sean is the Senior Analyst on Catalyst Fund and PM on Trafalgar Volatility Fund; he is a highly experienced options trader and is Head of the options team. Prior to Trafalgar, Sean worked at Bank of America, Tillinghast Towers-Perrin (Actuaries and Management Consultants) and MED Ltd. Sean is a qualified Actuary, CFA charter holder and holds a BSc (Hons) in Mathematics from Glasgow University.

Nomura International**Adrian Mee, Managing Director, Global Head of Mergers & Acquisitions**

Adrian is a Managing Director and Global Head of Mergers & Acquisitions at Nomura. He was previously Head of M&A (Europe and Middle East) at Lehman Brothers who he joined in 2006. Prior to that he spent ten years in M&A at Morgan Stanley (latterly as Global Co-Head of Healthcare) and ten years in M&A at SG Warburg and Merrill Lynch. During his 23 years in investment banking, he has worked on a wide range of M&A, strategic and financing transactions in various industries and geographies. Adrian earned MA (Jurisprudence) from Oriel College – Oxford University.
