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Amr Albialy
Chief Executive Officer
Robeco Middle East & Central Asia

Amr Albialy joined Robeco in 2011 and is the Chief Executive Officer of Robeco Middle East and Central Asia. Robeco is an international asset manager with more than \$200bn AUM, offering an extensive range of active investments, from equities to bonds and Bespoke Index Solutions. Research lies at the heart of everything it does, with a 'pioneering but cautious' approach that has been in its DNA since its foundation in Rotterdam in 1929. Robeco believes strongly in Sustainable Investing, Quantitative Techniques and Constant Innovation. Robeco has been at the forefront of sustainable investing since the launch of its first sustainable investing product in 1995. Amr is in charge of the overall management, strategic and commercial decisions for Robeco in the Middle East and Central Asia and is responsible for leading the team covering both the Institutional and Wholesale business. He is also responsible for advising on the development of Investment Solutions, in addition to leading, establishing, developing, and managing Strategic Relationships with Institutional clients, mainly with Governmental, Institutional, and Private investors throughout the Middle East and Central Asia. Amr has over 23 years of experience in the Financial and Investment Management industry. He has extensive experience in Asset Management, Trading, Investment Banking and Private Equity from both international and regional financial institutions including HSBC, Deutsche Bank and Emirates NBD. Amr has also extensive experience working with Sovereign Wealth Funds, Official Institutions and Pension Funds in the Middle East, Asia and Africa on investment solutions and advice including assisting in developing asset allocation, investment policy and providing guidance on investment strategies and bespoke solutions. Amr is one of the founding members of the Robeco Indices business. He was instrumental in the development and establishment of this business. Amr graduated with honors from the City University of Seattle, Washington with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and Marketing with honors and was on the Dean's list. He has furthermore completed the Pension Fund and Investment Management program from the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania.



Charbel Azzi

Charbel Azzi is Managing Director and Head across Asia Pacific, the Middle East, Africa, Turkey, India, & CIS at S&P Dow Jones Indices (S&P DJI). He joined the company in April 2009, and is based in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

Charbel has extensive experience in investment management, portfolio construction, strategy and product development, capital raising, and marketing and selling investment products and services across the Middle East and Africa. He works closely with clients to design and deliver indices and strategies that utilize S&P DJI's expertise in custom index design, Shariah-compliant investing, asset allocation, commodities, equities, and emerging markets.

Prior to joining S&P DJI, Charbel worked at Standard Chartered Bank in Dubai as director of origination for the Middle East and North Africa, working with regional family and private offices, corporates, pension funds, investment and insurance companies, and high net worth clients.

Charbel holds a BBA from the American University in Dubai. He is fluent in English, Arabic, and French.

	<p>Maya Beyhan Global Head ESG, Index Investment Strategy S&P Dow Jones Indices</p> <p>Maya Beyhan is Senior Director, ESG Specialist, Index Investment Strategy at S&P Dow Jones Indices (S&P DJI). The index investment strategy team provides research and commentary on the entire S&P DJI product set, including U.S. and global equities, commodities, fixed income and economic indices. Maya’s role has a specific focus on ESG and climate-based indices within this product set globally.</p> <p>Before joining S&P DJI, Maya was the lead equity index portfolio strategist at State Street Global Advisors in EMEA. In this role, she served clients with sophisticated ESG/climate portfolios. She previously worked as an investment strategist at Kempen Capital Management, covering institutional clients in the U.K. and the Netherlands.</p> <p>Maya holds a PhD in Quantum Chemistry from Vrije University in Amsterdam and a master’s degree in Theoretical Physics from Groningen University in the Netherlands.</p>
	<p>Eron Bloomgarden Founding Partner Climate Finance Partners</p> <p>Eron Bloomgarden is a Founding Partner of Climate Finance Partners, an investment firm focused on climate impact and sub-advisor to the largest carbon fund in the world, an exchange listed fund (ETF) on the New York Stock Exchange. Eron has been a pioneer in the development of carbon markets for the past two decades and has advised governments, multilateral institutions, and international corporations on many aspects of the carbon and environmental markets. Eron is also Founder and Executive Director of Emergent, a non-profit organization dedicated to reversing global deforestation. Emergent launched the LEAF Coalition at COP26, which mobilized US\$1 billion in commitments from corporations and donor government to pay countries committed to increasing ambition to protect their forests. With extensive experience in the areas of climate finance and carbon markets, Eron has worked on several carbon market milestones, including the first Kyoto (CDM) project in the world to receive issuance of carbon credits. He is also an adjunct professor at Columbia University where he was part of the inaugural faculty of the MSc in Sustainability Management at the Earth Institute.</p>
	<p>Jaspreet Duhra Managing Director, Global Head of Sustainability Indices S&P Dow Jones Indices</p> <p>Jaspreet Duhra is Managing Director and Global Head of Sustainability Indices at S&P Dow Jones Indices (S&P DJI). Jaspreet is involved in the design, methodology, and strategic direction of S&P DJI Sustainability Indices globally, as well as working closely with the Global Research & Design, Sales, and Marketing departments to bring new indices to market. S&P DJI caters to a diverse spectrum of sustainability investing needs, from best-in-class approaches like ESG Elite, to broad-market sustainability alternatives to mainstream indices like the S&P 500® ESG Index.</p> <p>Before joining S&P DJI in 2019, Jaspreet worked as an ESG Product Specialist at ISS, as the Head of the U.K. office at oekom research, and in business development, account management, and analyst roles at Eiris.</p> <p>Jaspreet holds a BSc in geography and geology from the University of Manchester and an MSc in environmental technology (business and environment) from Imperial College London.</p>



Timucin Engin
Managing Director
S&P Global Ratings

Timucin Engin is a Managing Director and the Cross-practice Sector Lead for the GCC region based in Dubai.

Prior to this role, Timucin managed our Istanbul office as the Country Manager for Turkey. Prior to that, he was a Director and Sector Specialist in the Financial Services team in our Dubai office.

Before joining us in 2011, he spent three years at Dubai Group as Senior Vice President and Portfolio Manager, also representing the Group as a Board Member in various financial institutions in Middle East and APAC regions, including an investment bank listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange. Timucin also worked in various banking and investment research roles in Toronto and Istanbul. Timucin has a Master of Science degree in Business Analytics from New York University's Stern School of Business in addition to an MBA degree from École de Gestion Telfer at University of Ottawa in Canada.



Dr. Ashraf Gamal El Din
Chief Executive Officer
Hawkamah

Dr. Ashraf Gamal El Din, FCG is the Chief Executive Officer of Hawkamah, the Institute for Corporate Governance, the DIFC. He is a Fellow and Certified Governance Expert from the Chartered Governance Institute, UK (ICSA). He was a jury member of the Arabia CSR Award. Prior to joining Hawkamah, Dr. Ashraf was the Executive Chairman of Egypt Post. Before that, he was the Deputy Executive Director of the Egyptian Banking Institute, the training arm of the Central Bank of Egypt. He was also the founder and Project Manager of the Egyptian Corporate Responsibility Center working on promoting the concepts and application of CSR in Egypt. Furthermore, he was the Executive Director of the Egyptian Institute of Directors (EIoD), the Institute of Corporate Governance in Egypt and the Arab Region Dr. Ashraf served as a board member and head of the Audit Committee in a number of listed, non-listed, State Owned and family owned companies, such as Egyptian Resorts Company, Sahl Hashish, Egypt Reinsurance, Misr Life Insurance, Suez Canal for Technology, Thebes International, Misr Qena Cement, just to name a few. He also served a member of the General Assembly of the Holding Company for Transportation.

Dr. Ashraf served as an advisor to the Minister of Investment 2004-2010 in the areas of corporate governance, corporate social responsibility, privatization and restructuring. Furthermore, Dr. Ashraf is a Professor of Management, Faculty of Commerce, Cairo University. He holds a PhD degree from Manchester University, UK, and a master's degree in Public Administration from Carleton University, Canada. He further holds a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Cairo University with highest honors



David Hemming
Head of Alternatives
Invesco

David Hemming is Head of Alternatives for Invesco's exchange-traded funds (ETFs). In this role, he is responsible for the management of the commodity, currency, volatility, and real estate investment trust (REIT) funds.

Mr. Hemming joined Invesco in 2016. Prior to his current role, he was a senior portfolio manager for ETFs. Before joining the firm, he was a partner and portfolio manager at Hermes Commodities Funds. Mr. Hemming started his career at State Street Global Advisors.

Mr. Hemming earned an MSc in investment management from City University's Cass Business School and an MA with honors in economics and international relations from the University of St. Andrews.

	<p>Paul Moody Managing Director, Global Partnerships & Client Solutions CFA Institute</p>
	<p>Luke Oliver Managing Director, Head of Climate Investments Kraneshares</p> <p>Luke Oliver is Managing Director, Global Partnerships & Client Solutions, as part of the leadership team at CFA Institute. He oversees globally the Marketing and Client Experience, Society and Membership and Global Business Development teams. Partnering with 160 societies globally, ensuring the voice of the customer is embedded into day-to-day operations at CFA Institute. Prior to joining CFA Institute in early 2022, Paul worked at Aviva Investors for 21 years, with his last role being Client Solutions Director. In that capacity, he led a global team, developing relationships and partnering with Aviva’s global businesses to benefit both shareholder and policyholder funds, including pathways to Net Zero. Paul has deep experience in product and business development in the asset management industry and was one of the pioneers of the UK’s first ESG fund products. Paul holds the Alternative Investment Analyst Charter (CAIA) and a degree in economics from the University of Wolverhampton. Paul is based in London and is married with two children.</p> <p>Luke Oliver leads the KraneShares Climate solutions business building innovative products that provide access to unique markets within this growing investment universe. In addition to curating the firm’s climate, carbon and impact strategies, Luke works closely with clients to educate on the asset class and client implementation strategies. He is a regular industry commentator on TV, press, and online media and is responsible for digestible research on climate topics.</p> <p>Prior to joining KraneShares, Luke built and ran the \$21bn US XTrackers ETF business at DWS (formerly Deutsche Asset Management) where he pioneered currency hedging, onshore China, and more recently ESG strategies which were among the first to recognize the need for value-aligned portfolios. Prior to this, he was the portfolio manager of \$16bn in commodity assets across the PowerShares DB Commodity ETF suite. Luke has a reputation for building strong, diverse teams, creating profitable businesses, and bringing innovative solutions to market. His 20-year financial career also included time on the capital markets sell-side.</p> <p>This diverse experience has allowed Luke to identify the most powerful emerging trends in the investment landscape. “Pricing carbon emissions and decarbonizing the global economy is the single greatest challenge, and opportunity, we will ever be presented with. I have no doubt this will be our mission for the next 20 years and it must not fail.”</p>

	<p>Michael Salvatico Head of Asia Pacific ESG Business Development S&P Global Sustainable1</p>
	<p>Michael Salvatico leads environmental, social and governance (ESG) business development in Asia Pacific for S&P Global Sustainable1, based in Sydney. For more than a decade Michael has been providing sustainable solutions to investors, banks, corporates, regulators, governments and academics. Michael works with these organisations to understand and better Benchmark, Report, Engage, Analyse and Model ESG risks and opportunities across their organisations. Over this time, a key focus has been climate change impacts on global economies, corporates and financial institutions, with deep experience in de-risking portfolios, identifying opportunities and reporting on baseline footprinting and scenario analysis.</p>
	<p>Michael regularly presents at events and has been and continues to be involved in ESG initiatives including, ASFI Technical Working Group – Enhancing sustainability/resilience/stability of the financial system, PRI Fixed Income Working Group, Willoughby Council Sustainability Reference Group, IGCC - Policy Advocacy Working Group, AIGCC - Physical Risks & Resilience Working Group, HKGFA - ESG Disclosure and Integration Working Group.</p>
	<p>Prior to joining S&P Global Sustainable1, Michael led Asia Pacific ESG Business Development for Trucost, part of S&P Global. Michael was an Executive Director at MSCI Inc. and oversaw the company's ESG Research in Australia and New Zealand. His career experience involves working in portfolio analytics, quantitative investment analysis and ESG research. Before MSCI Inc., he was part of the highly rated research team at Bank of America - Merrill Lynch where he was head of Emerging Markets quantitative analysis.</p>
	<p>Michael received a Master of Applied Finance and Investment from the Securities Institute of Australia, and a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of New South Wales.</p>
	<p>Carolyn Weinberg Managing Director, Chief Product Innovation Officer and Co-Head of Global Product Group BlackRock</p>
	<p>Carolyn Weinberg oversees the innovation and commercialization of products globally for the world's largest asset manager. Carolyn's teams mobilize the firm to build new product lines, forge strategic partnerships, and create thought leadership in support of BlackRock's growth priorities such as transition finance, fixed income, and alternatives. Her teams are driven to provide BlackRock clients unparalleled products and portfolio solutions to help them invest.</p>
	<p>Carolyn co-leads BlackRock's Global Product Executive Committee and is a member of BlackRock's Global Operating Committee, Global Executive Committee Investment Subcommittee, and Global Executive Committee Sustainable Subcommittee among other leadership positions. She has four times been included on Barron's list of "100 Most Influential Women in U.S. Finance."</p>
	<p>Previously at BlackRock, Carolyn was Global Head of Product, iShares and Index Investments and oversaw the commercialization and development of products globally for the world's largest ETF provider. In this role, Carolyn was instrumental in driving the firm's successful growth in fixed income ETFs and sustainable indexing, while also creating and growing new data and trading ventures.</p>
	<p>Before joining BlackRock in 2018, Carolyn created structured derivatives solutions for corporations at Citibank, where she was Head of the North America Corporate Solutions Group. Previously, she was Deutsche Bank's Head of Risk Solutions Structuring, a member of Morgan Stanley's Corporate Derivatives Group, and a consultant at McKinsey & Company.</p>
	<p>Carolyn graduated magna cum laude from Harvard College in applied mathematics and earned an MBA from Harvard Business School. She lives in New York City with her husband, two children, and Lucca - a Lagotto Romagnolo.</p>



Sean Wright
Executive Director & Global Head of Climate
Morgan Stanley

Sean Wright is an Executive Director in Morgan Stanley's Global Sustainable Finance (GSF) group, helping lead the team's climate strategy integrating climate considerations into Morgan Stanley's business strategy, risk management, disclosure, and operational footprint. Sean is also GSF's ESG policy director, working to help develop and coordinate the Firm's view and response to evolving ESG and climate regulations globally. He represents the Firm across a variety of industry trade groups focused on climate and ESG. Before joining Morgan Stanley, Sean worked in the Corporate Partnerships program Environmental Defense Fund on federal and international climate policy. Prior to this, Sean worked in Equity Research at Credit Suisse covering Metals and Mining and before that worked as a CPA in Transaction Services at PwC, advising private equity funds.

He is a representative on the Steering Committee of the Partnership for Carbon Accounting Financials. Sean graduated from Tufts University with a B.A. in Political Science and an M.B.A. from Rutgers University.