

ILPA Releases New Report on Diversity

Diversity in Action - Sharing Our Progress Report Details Progress Made and What's Next for DEI in Private Markets

April 22, 2021 (Washington, D.C.) The Institutional Limited Partners Association (ILPA) today released the first report in its <u>Diversity in Action - Sharing Our Progress</u> series. The report series is an extension of ILPA's <u>Diversity</u> <u>in Action initiative</u>, first announced in December 2020, and aims to provide actionable recommendations on steps that can be taken to improve diversity, equity and inclusion in private markets based on the experience of the initiative's limited partner, general partner and investment consultant signatories.

"We are tremendously proud of the industry response to our *Diversity in Action* initiative. When we first kicked off in December we had nearly 50 founding signatories; today over 130 LPs, GPs and investment consultants have signed on," remarked Steve Nelson, CEO of ILPA. "Not only are the Initiative signatories working to improve DEI through action, they're also committed to sharing their successes and the lessons they've learned with one another. I'm confident that this information exchange will help accelerate our industry's progress."

The first report focuses on how signatories are approaching DEI metrics and data capture. ILPA found that there is a strong desire for standardization and an appetite to expand metrics to cover additional underrepresented groups. Among signatories, 2-in-3 use the <u>ILPA D&I Team Metrics Template</u> which provides a model for reporting diversity metrics across 11 role categories, including gender and suggested race and ethnicity designations. ILPA and Initiative signatories are now working to expand the template to include metrics not represented today including: a non-binary/not disclosed option on gender, LGBTQ, veteran status, disability and age.

The *Diversity in Action - Sharing Our Progress* report series will also track activities that signatories have in place which are designated as optional in the <u>Initiative Framework</u>. Over time reports will show where progress is being made and where change is still needed. As of April 2021:

- The most widely adopted optional activity among signatories was focused on accountability: 81% of signatories "assign senior-level DEI accountability, aligned with an investment or senior management role"
- The least widely adopted optional activities among signatories relate to talent pipeline and inclusive culture: just 4-in-10 signatories indicate that they "have in place diverse employee resource groups" or "incorporate contributions towards advancing DEI into employee performance reviews"

"We're delighted to share this report with the industry," offered ILPA's Managing Director of Industry Affairs and *Diversity in Action* initiative lead Jen Choi. "We're also thrilled to have such a large and committed group of industry stakeholders, and we are looking forward to seeing the progress they make over time in improving DEI in private equity."

Media Contact:

Kari Grant Director of Strategic Communications, ILPA <u>kgrant@ilpa.org</u> +1 416-941-9393

Diversity in Action Signatories

.406 Ventures 35 South Capital 50 South Capital AARP Actis Adams Street Partners Advent International Aegon Asset Management Aksia Albourne AlpInvest Partners Altas Partners American Securities LLC Apax Partners Apollo Global Management Archer Daniels Asset Management Arctos Partners Ardian Ares Management Corporation Audax Group Backstage Capital Barings **Baylis Emerging Markets BC** Partners **BDC** Capital **Benhamou Global Ventures Berkshire Partners** BentallGreenOak Blackstone **BlackView Capital Advisors** Bow River Capital Bridgepoint Cambridge Associates Canadian Business Growth Fund **Capital Dynamics** The Carlyle Group Cartica Management, LLC Castlelake, L.P. Centerbridge Partners, L.P. **Charlesbank Capital Partners** Chicago Teachers' Pension Fund Cinven Clayton, Dubilier & Rice **Coller** Capital **CommonSpirit Health Connecticut Retirement Plans and Trust Funds CPP** Investments **Crewcial Partners LLC CVC** Capital Partners **Disciplina Capital Management** Fisher Lynch Capital ForgePoint Capital

GCM Grosvenor General Atlantic Georgian Golub Capital Graham Allen Partners **Great Hill Partners** GTCR The Halifax Group Hamilton Lane HarbourVest Partners Hellman & Friedman Hg HPS Investment Partners, LLC Illinois State Treasurer Insight Partners Investcorp Kelso & Company Keyhaven Capital Partners KKR Kohlberg & Co. The Kresge Foundation L Catterton LACERA - Los Angeles County Employees **Retirement Association** Landmark Partners Lexington Partners LGT Capital Partners LLR Partners Long Ridge Equity Partners M&G Plc Madison Dearborn Partners Maryland Investment Division of the Maryland State Retirement & Pension System MetaProp Metlife Investment Management MiddleGround Capital Montagu Private Equity Morgan Stanley Investment Management MSA Capital Neuberger Berman Northleaf Capital Partners Palladium Equity Partners, LLC Panoramic Growth Equity Pathway Capital Pemberton Asset Management PGGM PineBridge Investments Portfolio Advisors, LLC Providence Equity Quantum Energy Partners **RCP** Advisors **Reverence Capital Partners**

Diversity in Action Signatories (cont.)

River Cities Capital RockCreek Searchlight Capital Partners Silver Lake Silverton Partners Siris Capital Group Sixth Street **SK Capital Partners** Starwood Capital Group Stellex Capital Management StepStone Group Stone Point Capital **TA Associates** Tailwind Capital Teacher Retirement System of Texas TowerBrook Capital Partners L.P.

TPG Turning Rock Partners UC Investments Värde Partners Vestar Capital Partners Virginia College Savings Plan (VA529) Vista Equity Partners W Capital Partners Warburg Pincus LLC Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe Whitehelm Capital Whitehorse Liquidity Partners Inc. Wind Point Partners W.K. Kellogg Foundation WM Partners

About ILPA

With more than 550 member institutions representing over 2 trillion USD of private equity assets under management, the Institutional Limited Partners Association (ILPA) is the only global organization dedicated exclusively to advancing the interests of LPs and their beneficiaries. Our members include public and private pensions, insurers, endowments and foundations, family offices, development finance institutions, and sovereign wealth funds. Our policy agenda is focused on strengthening the private equity asset class through strong governance, alignment of interests, and transparency.