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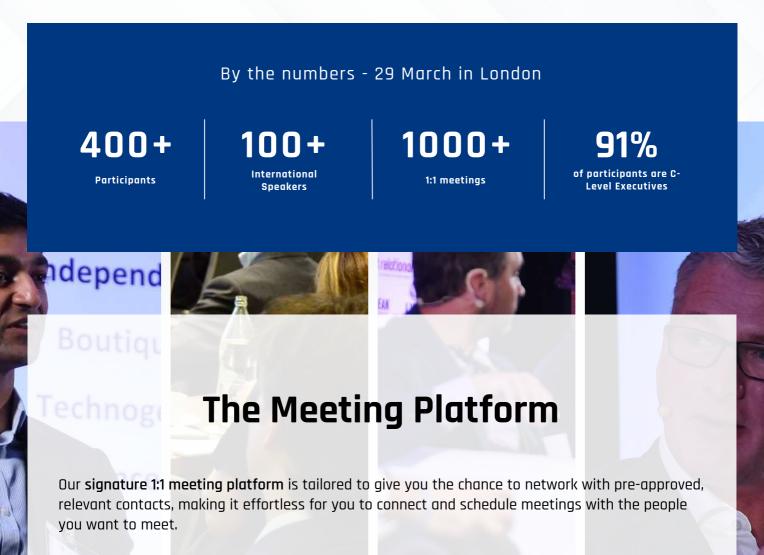
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Experience a day of powerful networking and thought-provoking discussions on the diverse aspects of the global alternative and distressed investment industry. Utilize our exclusive 1:1 meeting platform, integrated into the event app, to connect with leading allocators, funds, GPs, LPs, and industry experts from the debt and alternative investment sectors.

Curated with a strong investor focus, this program is designed for a global audience of private and institutional investors, banks, fund managers, real estate firms, technology solution providers, leading advisory firms, and other key stakeholders. Key topics of discussion include valuations and returns, future predictions, fund structuring, regulations, top market picks, and market outlooks, among others.

Join us at Stamford Bridge Stadium, West London's premier conference venue, on March 29, 2023, for a day of unparalleled insights and connections.



An **on-site help-desk team** is available to assist you throughout the day, directing you to your meetings and providing dedicated numbered tables. This guarantees a comfortable and confidential setting for conducting business meetings and fostering meaningful conversations.

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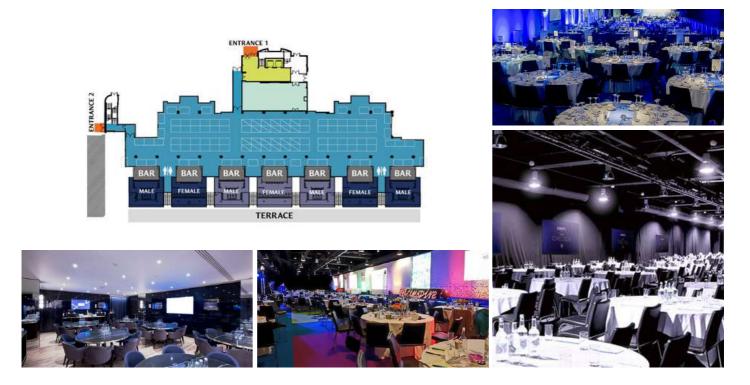
09:00	TRACK 1 PANEL: The Role of Distressed & Alternatives in a Diversified Portfolio The panel will provide an analysis of current developments such as the Ukraine war and China's zero-Covid strategy and their implications for the economic outlook in Europe and beyond. It will also delve into the current policy and regulatory challenges that are shaping investment strategies. The panel will examine the debt market development based on possible macro scenarios and will discuss evolving strategies and considerations for portfolio diversification.
09:45	TRACK 1 PRESENTATION: Launch of the ECB's New NPL Templates European DataWarehouse's CEO shares a comprehensive update on the ECB's latest bid at standardisation
10:00	TRACK 1 PANEL: NPL Portfolios & REO Deals in Southern Europe The panel will focus on the current state of non-performing loans (NPLs) and real estate owned (REO) deals in Southern Europe. The panelists will discuss the impact of strong macro headwinds on liquidity and pricing, as well as any new types of assets that have come to market. They will also examine which sectors have been particularly affected by recent and ongoing crises and what new trends have emerged in specific sub-sectors. The panel will also explore the changes that NPL investors are making in light of the increased cost of borrowing and high inflationary environment. Additionally, the panel will discuss the market's behavior after the recent spate of large deals, key opportunities for 2023 and the sectors of emerging interest for investors.
10:00	TRACK 2 PANEL: Driving ESG Principles in Debt & Alternatives Investing The panel will explore the concept of Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) principles and their role in the distressed and alternative markets. The panelists will discuss what constitutes 'green' and how ESG principles can create value for investors searching for yield. They will also examine how firms are driving ESG through their organizations and the potential for new revenue streams as ESG becomes mainstream. The panel will also explore the role of portfolio optimization and responsible investing in meeting various environmental goals and the impact of the Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD) on company accountability and the industry as a whole.
10:45	Coffee Break & the start of 1:1 Meetings
11:15	TRACK 1 PANEL: Alternatives - Family Office Views This panel will focus on the growing trend of family offices increasing their allocation to alternative assets such as private debt, real estate, and renewables. The panelists will discuss where they perceive the best opportunities to be and how they view the current distressed debt market. They will also share their insights on the growing size and sophistication of family offices and how they can be leveraged as both limited partner investors and co-investors in alternative investments. The panel will also discuss on how best to engage with family offices as both an investor and a potential partner in alternative investments.
12:00	TRACK 1 PRESENTATION: Emerging Distressed Asset Classes The distressed crypto market is attracting some of the largest names in distressed investing. What are the strategies at play here and what other asset classes are drawing investor attention?
12:15	TRACK 1 PANEL: CRE Investment Update in the UK and Western Europe The panel will provide expert insights and outlooks for commercial real estate (CRE) investing, with a focus on the state of play in office, retail, and industrial real estate in the UK and Western Europe. The panelists will discuss the upcoming outlooks for the region and whether to expect a recovery or a recession. They will also discuss the trends in the commercial real estate market, specifically focusing on unsecured loans.
12:15	TRACK 2 <b>DANEL: Tourism &amp; Hospitality</b> The panel will explore the tourism and hospitality industry as an alternative investment prospect. The panelists will discuss how market forces have reshaped both investor and consumer behaviors, and whether ongoing inflationary pressures have presented new opportunities. They will also examine the actions that owners and issuers are taking to attract investment, such as restructuring facilities and services to match current and anticipated needs. Additionally, the panel will examine the impact on the credit side of the industry, specifically discussing the status of banks and funds in light of a potential slowdown in demand.
13:00	Networking Lunch

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14:00	TRACK 1 PANEL: Alternative & Debt Trading in the Middle East The panel will focus on the opportunities and challenges of alternative and debt trading in the region. With over \$4.8 trillion in assets under management, sovereign wealth funds and ultra-high net worth individuals in the Middle East have a growing appetite for alternative investments. The panelists will discuss which asset classes are attracting the most interest and why. They will also discuss the changes in insolvency laws and the recent high-profile restructuring cases that have encouraged growth in the region. However, challenges remain. The panel will also explore the current barriers facing distressed debt trading in the Middle East, such as the less flexible nature of Islamic debt compared to other jurisdictions which may make it less attractive to conventional debt buyers.
14:00	TRACK 2 PANEL: Distressed Investing Brazil: Opportunities, Risks and Perspectives The panel will provide an overview of the current state of distressed investing in Brazil. The panelists will discuss the current driving factors and outlooks in the historically resilient non-performing loan (NPL) investing market in Brazil. They will also examine the challenges presented by inflation and the investment strategies being used to navigate an inflationary environment. Additionally, the panel will discuss China's growing influence in Latin America and how it affects NPLs and distressed investing in the region. The panel will also focus on the analysis of the macro and micro environments that drive distressed credit market in Brazil.
14:45	TRACK 1 PANEL: Evolution of the NPL Secondary Market The panel will explore the ways in which past, present and future market factors have shaped and continue to shape the secondary market for non-performing loans (NPLs). The panelists will discuss how the secondary market can be a powerful avenue for funds and companies. They will also examine the current defining factors that influence this prominent marketplace. The panel will also explore the ongoing impact of GP-led transactions as the market determines the balance between retaining valuable assets and providing liquidity to limited partners. The panelists will also discuss how high-performing portfolios are being constructed and managed in line with fast-evolving competitive markets and world events.
15:30	TRACK 1 PANEL: Market Focus - Italy The panel will provide an overview of the latest market developments in Italy, including potential extension of Government support (GACS), the rising cost base, and expectations for the rest of 2023. The panelists will discuss Stage 2 loan and UTP (unlikely to pay) coming into strong focus for market players and their potential impact. They will also provide an update on the current state of play with the secondary market in Italy. The panel will also focus on the current investment trends, opportunities and challenges of Italy's NPL market.
15:30	TRACK 2 PANEL: Private Equity Trends and Untapped Value Opportunities The panel will focus on the private equity fund market development relative to distressed investing and operational turnarounds. The panelists will discuss how private equity firms are adapting and building more robust operations, adding value through diversification. They will also examine the challenges that are being encountered in a rising-rate environment, in terms of investing and fundraising. It will also explore the key regulatory considerations that private equity firms take into account as decision drivers. The panel will provide an overview of the current private equity trends, opportunities, and challenges, as well as a glimpse of the future possibilities in the industry.
16:15	Coffee Break & 1:1 Meetings
16:45	TRACK 1 PANEL: Outlooks on European Servicing The panel will focus on the current state of servicing in Europe and how it has been impacted by current economic conditions. The panelists will discuss the servicers' ability to perform recovery over the last 6 months and the outlook for 2023. They will also examine how servicers have adapted their business models to compete in a crowded market and how their businesses will continue to evolve in order to differentiate. The panel will also address the challenges of achieving good recovery rates in specific regions represented on the panel, as well as the use of technology innovations in the recovery of different asset classes. Additionally, they will discuss the measures servicers are taking to remain agile, client-focused, and well-versed in mass customization.
16:45	TRACK 2 PANEL: Opportunity Growth in the US Market The panel will focus on the current state of the US market for distressed debt and the opportunities for growth in various asset classes. The panelists will discuss the recent fundraising efforts by fund managers and the growing pile of distressed debt that signals another US default wave. They will also examine in which asset classes the pockets of opportunity are expected to surface. It will also discuss the new players entering the distressed market, such as the hedge funds, and the reasons why different types of investors are being attracted to the market.
17:30	TRACK 1 <b>PANEL: Emerging Strategies among Fund Managers - Investor Insights</b> During this panel, industry experts will provide an in-depth examination of emerging investment strategies, as well as the capital structure and due diligence factors that are influencing investor appetite in 2023. Attendees will gain valuable insights into the direction of distressed funds in Europe and learn about where alternative investors are looking for new opportunities.

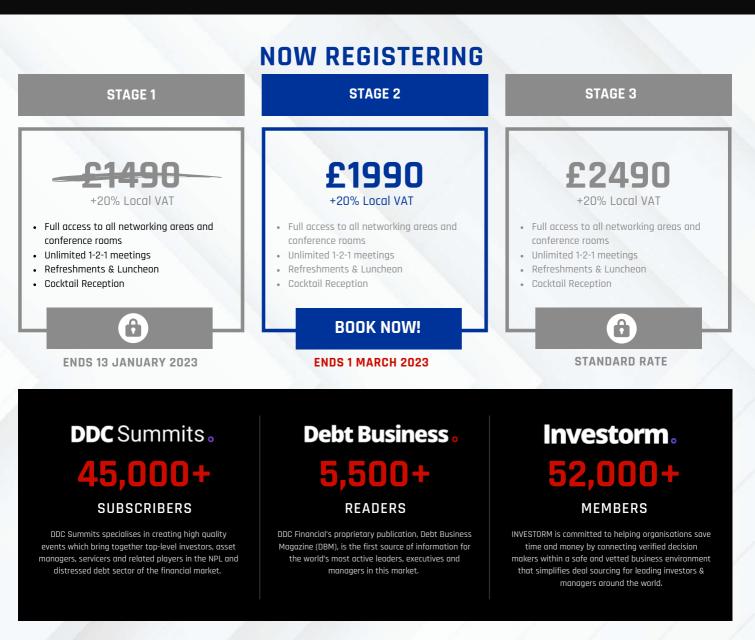
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