

MERCER GLOBAL INVESTMENT FORUMS

VANCOUVER | NOVEMBER 2, 2017



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

TIME	SESSION/SPEAKER(S)	LOCATION
3:30–4:00 pm	Asset Manager Session Registration	Mackenzie Foyer, Concourse level
4:00–5:50 pm	Asset Manager Session	Mackenzie Ballroom, Concourse level
6:00–9:30 pm	Offsite Welcome Dinner	Vancouver Convention Centre

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2

TIME	SESSION/SPEAKER(S)	LOCATION
8:00–9:00 am	Breakfast	Mackenzie Ballroom, Concourse level
9:00–9:05 am	Welcome and Opening Jean-Philippe Provost, Wealth Leader, Canada	Waterfront Ballroom, Lobby level
9:05–9:10 am	MC Phil Mullen, Retirement, Risk and Finance Consultant	
9:10–9:50 am	Through the Looking Glass: Reflecting on the Practicalities of Building Robust Portfolios in an Unpredictable World Deb Clarke, Global Head of Investment Research Hrvoje Lakota, Head Strategist, Dynamic De-Risking Solutions Ash Doherty, DC Delegated Solutions Lead for Canada	
9:50–10:15 am	Will Bonds Bail You Out Next Time? Luis Ramirez, Investment Consultant Sofia Assaf, Director of Client Consulting, Canada	
10:15–10:25 am	Mind Games – Navigating Alternate Realities 1 Stephanie Mariamo, Investment Consultant	
10:25–10:55 am	Networking and Coffee Break	Waterfront Foyer, Lobby level
10:55–11:30 am	Building a Better Alternatives Portfolio: Theory and Practice Dave McMillan, Chief Investment Officer for Hedge Funds Harry Leggat, Asset Class Specialist, Mercer Private Markets Calvin Jordan, Senior Investment Consultant	Waterfront Ballroom, Lobby level
11:30 am–12:30 pm	Keynote Address - Financial Services For the Age of Machine Intelligence Mike Walsh, Founder and CEO, Tomorrow	Waterfront Ballroom, Lobby level

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12:30–12:50 pm	Rebalancing the Gender Bias in DC Plans Jillian Kennedy , Leader of Canadian DC and Financial Wellness Teresa Palandra , Wealth Business Leader, Central Canada	
12:50–1:00 pm	Mind Games – Navigating Alternative Realities 2 Stephanie Mariamo , Investment Consultant	
1:00–2:15 pm	Lunch	Mackenzie Ballroom, Concourse level
2:25–2:30 pm	Afternoon MC Sabrina Gilani , Calgary Office Business Leader	Waterfront Ballroom, Lobby level
2:30–3:20 pm	Investment Strategies for 2018 and Beyond Moderator: Yvan Breton , Head of Fiduciary Management, Canada Presenters: The Future is Real: Why Real Assets Are Integral to Investment Success Michael McGowan – Asset Class Specialist, Mercer Private Markets Factoring for Investment Success Samantha Cleyn – Investment Consultant Multi-asset Strategies: The Balanced Fund Redux Brian Dayes – Senior Investment Consultant	
3:20–3:30 pm	Lightning Talk: Preparing for Extreme Events Sonje Gentles , Investment Consultant	
3:30–3:50 pm	The Future of Retirement: Navigating an Unpredictable DC World Neil Lloyd , US Head of DC and Financial Wellness Research James Wells , Investment Consultant	
3:50–4:20 pm	Networking and Coffee Break	Waterfront Foyer, Lobby level
4:20–4:30 pm	Lightning Talk: Impact of Funding Rule Changes on Investment Strategy Bill Watson , Leader, Defined Benefit Advisory Services	Waterfront Ballroom, Lobby level
4:30–4:55 pm	The Future Ain't What It Used to Be: Managing Climate Change and Other Long-term Systemic Risks Grace Xiang , Investment Consultant Alex Bernhardt , Head of Responsible Investing	
4:55–5:05 pm	Mind Games – Navigating Alternative Realities 3 Stephanie Mariamo , Investment Consultant	
5:05–5:30 pm	Navigating Forward in an Unpredictable World Dave Makarchuk , Canadian Sales and Growth Leader, Wealth Business	
5:45–7:00 pm	Closing Reception	Waterfront Foyer, Lobby level