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European Private Capital Conference & Reception 2026

Dubai Agenda
Thursday, 5 February 2026

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HSBC Tower & The Arts Club, Dubai

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14:00-15:30 Pre-booked one-to-one meetings

15:30-15:45

Arrival and Refreshments

15:45-15:50 **Welcome remarks**
Amy Abbott, Director, UK Private Capital

15:50-16:00 **Open for business: the European private capital opportunity**
Michael Moore, Chief Executive, UK Private Capital

16:00-16:10 **The rise of secondaries: the real opportunity for global investors**
Presentation
Philip Hess, Private Equity Partnership Investments, Partners Group

16:10-16:35 **Partnering with mid-market private equity: how do you create outstanding mid-cap returns?**
Panel
Moderator: Melissa Forbes-Miranda, Partner – M&A, Corporate & Commercial, Stephenson Harwood Middle East
Jonathan Brod, Managing Partner, Next Wave Partners
Tom Carlyle, Director, Oakley Capital
Peter Barkley, Partner, WestBridge

16:35-17:05

Networking Break

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17:05-17:15

Specialist growth strategies

Presentation

Omiros Sarikas, Managing Partner, Brookstreet Equity Partners

17:15-17:55

European venture capital: the opportunities and strategies that will deliver

Presentations

The science & innovation opportunity: driving 'We the UAE 2031'

Greg Smith, CEO, IP Group

Chris James, Managing Partner, Quadri Ventures

Funding Startups Globally

Paul Dugsin, General Partner, Raiven Capital

Supreet Manchanda, Founding Partner, Raiven Capital

Jonathan Hepple, Managing Partner, Rosetta Capital

Seeding the pathway for growth companies in the Advanced Therapies Sector

Neelam Panchal, Lead Investment Manager - Venture Creation,

Cell and Gene Therapy Catapult

17:55-18:00

Closing remarks

Leon de Bono, Managing Director, UK Private Capital

18:30-20:30

Networking Reception

The Arts Club, DIFC (transport is provided)

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