

CFA Society of Sydney 2016 AGM Nomination Profile

Ganesh Suntharam, CFA

Ganesh Suntharam is an Investment Director at Redpoint Investment Management responsible for managing a number of domestic and global quantitative equity portfolios. Prior to his role at Redpoint, Ganesh joined Perpetual Investments where he helped establish an internal quantitative equities capability, launch and manage two quantitative long-short strategies, and expand the quantitative business. Prior to joining Perpetual, Ganesh worked at Barra Inc (now part of MSCI). Ganesh holds a Bachelor of Electrical Engineering and a Bachelor of Computer Science degree from Sydney University, and is a CFA Charter holder. Ganesh is currently a Director on the Board of the CFA Society of Sydney and has served previously in the CFAS candidate education committee and more recently as the CFAS Technology Chair.

Turab Bank. CFA

Turab Bank is the Investment Implementation and Due Diligence Manager at REST Industry Super. His primary responsibilities are to implement decisions made by the REST Investment Committee and work closely with REST's Investment Managers and Asset Consultants to assist with decisions made at the REST Investment Committee. His areas of expertise at REST include of investment and operational due diligence of Investment Managers, structuring investment vehicles, setting investment guidelines, transitioning assets and building REST's approach to sustainable investing across REST's \$39 billion portfolio.

Prior to joining REST in March 2009, he was a Risk Analyst at BT Investment Management for four and half years and was responsible for the design, implementation and maintenance of BT's investment risk framework. To date, he has 14 years of financial services experience which span across Institutional Banking, Investment Management and Superannuation. His educational background consists of a Bachelor of Commerce with a major in Applied Finance degree from Macquarie University, a post-graduate diploma in Applied Finance with major in Investment Management from FINSIA and he is a CFA Charterholder and member of the CFA Sydney Society Education Committee. He has been part of the CFA Sydney Society Education Program, leading the 'Insight Series' of education sessions from the beginning of 2014 to date.

Michael Brivulis, CFA

Michael Brivulis manages the M&A Advice team at AMP. Since 2011, his primary focus has been to work with the AMP group of licensees to manage the distribution footprint via acquisition and sales. Prior to this, Michael spent close to 10 years working in the investment industry having held the roles of General Manager for a boutique fund manager in Melbourne, Head of Institutional Sales & Relationships at Arcus Investment Management (AXA Group) and Investment Consultant at ipac Securities Limited (AXA Group). He holds a Bachelor of Commerce (Hons) from the University of Melbourne and is a CFA charter holder. Michael is currently a Director on the Board of CFA Society of Sydney and has served as Director of University Outreach.

James Cowper, CFA

James became a CFA Charterholder in 2012 and currently serves on the Member Services Committee. Since joining the Member Services Committee several years ago, James has been involved in a number of member engagement and servicing initiatives as well as the organisation of some of the Society's events (including the Sol LeWitt event at the Art Gallery of NSW, Guggenheim Partners presentation at the Marriott Hotel) More recently, James has been responsible for producing the Society's first Annual Report in 2014/2015 as well as the current year's Annual Report.

James is a Director at Principle Advisory Services, where his primary focus is on business development as well as the provision of product design and fundraising advice within the alternative investment asset classes. His other roles include manager due diligence and research on Australasian institutional investor market. James joined Principle in 2008 and became a Director in 2014.

James holds a Master of Commerce, majoring in Finance and Commercial Law, and a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Sydney.

Cassandra Crowe, CFA

Cassandra Crowe joined NAB Asset Management in 2014 and has 15 years of industry experience. At NAB Cassandra is the Research Relationship Manager responsible for all MLC strategies, working closely with research houses and dealer groups.

Before joining NAB Cassandra worked for Dimensional Fund Advisors for over 7 years, spending 3 years based in London and 4 based in Sydney. At Dimensional Cassandra managed key institutional accounts and also headed the institutional client service team. Prior to joining Dimensional Cassandra worked for Lonsec Limited for 4 years in various roles, as a Managed Funds Research Analyst and on the Australian equity broking desk. Cassandra also has experience working for Garrisons Financial Planning while at university.

Cassandra has a Bachelor of Economics with a major in Financial Markets from the University of Tasmania. Cassandra is a Fellow of FINSIA and holds the FINSIA post-graduate Diploma of Applied Finance. Cassandra is a CFA Charter holder.

Cassandra has been an active member of the CFA Society Sydney (CFAS) since 2013 contributing to both the education and technology committees over that time. Most recently Cassandra assumed the role of CFAS Community Manager connecting members across social media forums. Cassandra is passionate about financial services and diversity issues and has been published locally and internationally on women's related topics through the CFA network.

Roger Samuel, CFA

Roger Samuel is an Equity Research analyst with CLSA, one of the largest independent equity brokerage firms. Roger covers companies in the telecoms and technology sector, where he was rated #1 by Thomson Reuters in 2015.

Prior to joining CLSA, Roger worked at Nomura and Wilson HTM, where he covered small-cap consumer discretionary and mining services stocks, and Goldman Sachs where he was an associate analyst in the healthcare team.

Roger holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree from the University of Melbourne and was a recipient of the Melbourne Scholarship, Dean's Honours List and other finance awards. Roger was an IT consultant at Accenture and Ernst & Young prior to his career in equity research and is currently the CFA Society of Sydney's Candidate Education Director.

Charles Wu, CFA

Charles Wu is currently the Head of Asset Allocation and Risk at State Super. He looks after the formulation of investment strategy for the defined benefit component. Additionally, he also manage the portfolio configuration for the listed assets. He was previously the Investment Manager at Media Super where he looks after Media Super's total portfolio, circa \$4bn. Before that, he worked at Mercer Investment Consulting and BNP Paribas Securities Services.

He holds a Master of Commerce and Bachelor of Computer Engineering at UNSW. Charles is currently a Director on the Board of CFA Society of Sydney and has served as CFAS Member Education Chair.