

## **CFA Society of Sydney 2017 AGM Nomination Profile**

### **Ganesh Suntharam, CFA**

Ganesh is a co-founder of Redpoint Investment Management which formed in 2011. At Redpoint, he is an Investment Director and the lead portfolio manager for a number of active and systematic equity portfolios. Ganesh is also involved in the research and development of Redpoint's equity strategies and is a member of Redpoint's investment committee. Prior to Redpoint, Ganesh was with Perpetual Investments where he helped establish an internal quantitative equities capability and managed quantitative long-short strategies. Ganesh holds a Bachelor of Electrical Engineering and a Bachelor of Computer Science degree from Sydney University, and has been a CFA Charter holder since 2004. Ganesh has been a Director on the CFAS Board since 2013 and has been actively involved with the technology, diversity and candidate education committees. He previously served as the Technology Chair and more recently as Vice President.

### **Charles Wu, CFA**

Charles Wu is currently the General Manager Asset Allocation at State Super. He looks after the formulation of investment strategy for the pooled fund over various time horizons. He was previously the Investment Manager at Media Super where he looked after Media Super's total portfolio. 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. He is also a CFA charter holder. Charles has been a Director on the CFAS Board since 2013. He previously served as the Director of Member Education and more recently as the Director of University Outreach.

### **Michael Brivulis, CFA**

Michael Brivulis works at AMP as the National Manager, Business Transactions and Integration. He has worked at AMP since early 2010 and his main focus today is to assist both AMP and its member firms with structuring succession planning, preparing practices for sale and assisting practices with the purchase of planning registers, mortgage books, and accounting businesses. 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 has been involved as a Judge, Research Report Grader and as an organising committee member for the CFAI Research Challenge and has more recently led the technology portfolio. He brings to the board extensive contacts with university partners as well as an understanding of the CFAS technology platform.

### **Jake Koundakjian, CFA**

Jake Koundakjian is based in Queensland heading the Brisbane Chapter of the CFA Society Sydney and is driven to increase engagement by charter holders and those in the QLD community that would benefit from the charter. He started his career in finance in 1996 and was granted the CFA designation in 2001 in Toronto, Canada where he worked with several banks and fund companies across several asset classes. Jake moved to Australia in 2011 where he joined FIIG Securities and now is Director of Fixed Income managing bond portfolios of ~\$300 million in FUA.

