



Your Society News & Updates

A word from the Board

Dear Valerie,

Glancing back at some of the past messages and wishes to our members for the New Year, never have any been penned when the previous year was so tumultuous and unpredictable. As we started 2020 with some great “live” events – especially one on the broad market outlook and another on alternative investments – nobody had in mind that all following live events would be cancelled and that future events would become virtual. To be sure, most members also were required to get more proficient with Zoom, MS Teams and/or WebEx.

Nonetheless, the disruption we all faced due to the COVID-19 outbreak was significant. However, during those exceptional times we were able to adapt the offerings and continue providing service to our members and community. Numerous webcasts were offered with many of our partners and some were even led by our own Society Leaders e.g., on soft skills.

Also, a partnership with CFA UK on their certification program on ESG investing was set up to enable local members and the general public to become more knowledgeable on ESG topics. Additionally, public awareness efforts were maintained and raised through both traditional and social media. So while the challenges persist, your Board remains flexible and ready to adapt with new alternatives.

We are nonetheless hopeful that the New Year sees an end to the pandemic and some return of normality. With that, we wish you and your close ones the best for the New Year and hope that 2021 will be a safe and healthy one for everybody.

Board of Directors, CFA Society Luxembourg



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Click [here](#) to visit the LinkedIn page.

Local Events

Upcoming Events

Following the great success of our local Society's virtual events on soft skills (covering topics like negotiation, presentations and effective organization and leadership), these sessions will be continued in 2021. Last year, about a dozen sessions were given to members with roughly 15-25 participants attending each time.

Coming dates:

- 03 February - Healthy Habits
- 10 February - Learn Anything, Anytime, Anywhere with MOOCs
- 17 February - Growth Mindset and Grit: Why talent is overrated
- 24 February - Real-Time Resilience
- 03 March - Coaching Skills
- 10 March - Healthy Conflict
- 17 March - Brain Teasers: stretch your mind
- 24 March - Emotions at Work

More details on the future events will follow by e-mail, so monitor those inboxes.

A **special thanks** to our presenter and fellow Board member, **Chris Lemke** for his dedication to providing our organization some great virtual events!

Past Events

Career Skills Series 2020

Missed a session? You can find all presentations in [our dedicated webpages](#).

Upcoming Regional Events & Webinars

Societies offerings

Since the situation with the corona virus continues to evolve and risk-mitigation measures have been imposed, CFA societies have shifted their events and workshops to virtual meetings. The bright side of these changes is that members can access more events remotely, thanks to CFA Society Global Passport Program, which allows members of participating CFA societies to attend other societies' events. Find interesting virtual events on the hosting societies' websites below:

[CFA Society Germany](#)
[CFA Society France](#)
[CFA Society Belgium](#)
[CFA Society Netherlands](#)

Since the pandemic crisis, our Society has partnered with other Societies e.g., New York and Chicago, to share content and opportunities along with other local virtual offerings.

CFA Institute offerings

Local members should keep in mind that a wealth of information exists on the [CFA Institute website](#) for members who are looking for ways to cope with the present mobility restrictions due to the COVID-19 outbreak.

Specific areas of interest may be:

- [Webinars](#)

- [Podcasts](#)
- [Research](#)

Global News

Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Here are some latest updates from CFA Institute in adapting to the evolution of Corona virus pandemic and undertaking new measures globally. You can find key information regarding CFA Program Exams, Membership Professional Leave Requirements and CFA Institute Events.

[Click here to learn more](#)

CFA Exam Updates

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues its global assault, government restrictions have increased and introduced new challenges to exam delivery. CFA Institute continues improving its operational capabilities for CFA candidates registering and scheduling 2021 CFA exams, which will move to the new computer-based testing (CBT) format. CFA Institute encourages candidates and members to stay updated by logging in to their CFA Institute account and following the CFA Program's on social media (LinkedIn, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, WeChat & Weibo).

[Click for more details](#)

The Future of Sustainability in Investment Management: From Ideas to Reality

CFA Institute, the global association of investment professionals, has released a new global research study that examines the state of sustainable investing and how this trend – accelerated by the COVID-19 pandemic – will shape the investment industry over the next decade. In particular, among the findings, 85% of CFA Institute members surveyed now say that they take E, S and/or G factors into account when investing, up from 73% just three years ago. This growth has been driven by client demand, with 69% of retail investors and 76% of institutional investors having interest in ESG investing. The research includes perspectives from over 7,000 industry participants, including clients, investment practitioners, ESG specialists, and more.

[More details found here](#)

New board governors leadership at CFA Institute

CFA Institute has announced that Daniel Gamba, CFA, has become Chair of the Board of Governors, and Maria Wilton, CFA, now serves as Vice Chair of the Board of Governors. Mr. Gamba assumed the role of Board Chair at the start of the new fiscal year at CFA Institute and succeeds Diane Nordin, CFA, who continues on the Board.

[More details](#)

Latest Research Foundation Publications

Geo-Economics

Geo-economics is the study of how geopolitics and economics interact in international relations. Today's investors need to understand geopolitical trends as a main driving force of markets. Although plenty of books on geopolitics have been written by eminent experts in politics and international affairs, many questions haven't been answered, such as the question of which geopolitical events matter for investors and which do not or geopolitical risks are important, but how does an investor to assess which risks are important for a portfolio and which ones are simply noise?

These questions will be addressed in a series of 5 different papers regarding geo-economics and how to apply in variety context of investment.

[Click here to learn more](#)

Learning about Risk Management: Insights from Unconventional Risk-Takers

Storytelling is a valuable way to communicate complex ideas. As financial professionals, part of the job is to communicate risk to clients. Risk in finance means the possibility for higher return, or the chance to get more for less. Or, if clients are uncomfortable with risk, portfolio managers can pay to reduce it. Deciding how much risk to take and how much to reduce are things managers do every day. This brief shares stories of people in industries that may appear to have nothing to do with finance but where risk measurement and management are also crucial for success.

[Read the full brief here](#)

Ten Years After: Reflections on the Global Financial Crisis

The updated *Stocks, Bonds, Bills, and Inflation® (SBBi®): 2020 Summary Edition* enables investors to understand how to calculate, interpret, and use the US historical stock and bond data that the CFA Institute Research Foundation has made available to CFA Institute members. The data include the capital appreciation, income, and total returns of the major asset classes of the US economy: large-cap stocks, small-cap stocks, corporate bonds, government bonds of various maturities, and inflation. Most of the data start in 1926, and are presented over monthly, annual, decade, or longer periods. The raw data itself are mostly monthly but are not included in this summary volume. Rather, this summary volume includes illustrative data, methodology, formulae, and analysis that will help investors and analysts learn how to use market time series raw data, which is separately available.

[Read the full summary edition here](#)

New changes and updates on CFA Institute's research publications

CFA Institutes continues to update topics in the research section. These topics cover essential knowledge for people who work in investments today and have also been added to the CFA curriculum in recent years.

These topics, seen below, are fairly broad covering areas such as Diversity, Fintech, ESG, and the Future Finance.

Inclusion & Diversity in Finance

Inclusion & diversity (I&D) is critical to the future of the investment management industry. An inclusive environment ensures equitable access to resources and opportunities for all. An inclusive culture that leverages diverse views will be an important element in determining a firm's success.

Future of Finance

Thought leadership on the future of finance and investments serves to help shape a more trustworthy and forward-thinking investment profession that better serves society. CFA Institute focuses on opportunities for change, with the goal to motivate and empower the world of finance to become an environment where investor interests come first, markets function at their best,

and economies grow. In this “Future of Finance” space, you can find a lot of toolkits and useful materials relating to different matters and issues facing the investment industry.

ESG Investing and Analysis

As we all know, ESG stands for Environmental, Social, and Governance. Investors are increasingly applying these non-financial factors to their analysis process to identify material risks and growth opportunities. ESG metrics are not commonly part of mandatory financial reporting, though companies are increasingly making disclosures in their annual report or in a standalone sustainability report. As an important leader in investment industry, CFA Institute has been driving the consideration of environmental, social, and governance (ESG) factors in financial analysis. You can find a guide for Investment Professionals in investing in Environmental, Social, and Governance Issues [here](#).

Fintech

Fintech is changing the landscape of investment management in many ways – from investors’ use of high-tech decision-making models to implications on individual’s career path. The CFA Program includes Fintech subjects in its curriculum, and earning the designation demonstrates not only a firm understanding of the finance industry, but also fundamental knowledge of some of the many applications of Fintech – from topics such as data science, to investment management. Many areas are specifically covered such as Fintech Trends in Asset Management, Artificial Intelligence (AI), Blockchain, Data Science in Fintech and How to Get into Fintech.

[Discover more Fintech resources here](#)

Career Corner

Latest Job Offers in Luxembourg

[Senior Investment Professional \(m/f/d\)](#)

[\(Associate\) Investment Officer](#)

[Senior Associate - PE Investment](#)

[Senior Market Risk Analyst](#)

[Senior Investment Advisor H/F](#)

[Financial Analyst\(s\)](#)

CFA Institute Career Center: Career Tools at Your Fingertips

The Career part of the CFA Institute website is a great tool with excellent information and functionalities for CFAI members. Career Tools, a Career Center Library and a Career Center online job search engine are all available to help members as they progress through their career.

For more information, [visit the webpage here](#).

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