
MARIA GORDON, CFA

PROFILE

CAPITAL MARKETS

Veteran investment professional with nearly two decades of experience in equity and debt capital markets

Accomplished finance executive with broad international experience and a record of delivering growth and investment performance. Built and led two teams in high performance organisations as *Managing Director* at Goldman Sachs and *Executive Vice President* at PIMCO

Strong understanding of issues of stewardship and governance informed by 5000+ meetings with management teams of prospective portfolio companies

NED at ALROSA, world's largest diamond miner

Raised over USD8bn in client assets and acted as an advisor to a wide range of institutional, high net worth and sovereign wealth clients

FCA approved person with a strong understanding of regulatory issues and challenges facing players in the financial sector

Thought leader and media commentator on global markets, geopolitics and EM

Named *40 under 40 in Asset Management* and *Rising Stars in Finance* by Financial News

EMERGING MARKETS

GOVERNANCE

EXECUTIVE EXPERIENCE

EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT, SENIOR PORTFOLIO MANAGER, HEAD OF EME STRATEGY, PIMCO 2010-2014

PIMCO is world's second largest asset manager with AUM of USD1.6 trillion

- Member of PIMCO's European Portfolio Committee, Equity Investment Committee and the New Products Review Committee
 - Portfolio manager for PIMCO's Emerging Markets Equity Strategy leading a team of experienced sector portfolio managers
 - Frequent presenter at leading industry conferences (e.g., Morningstar Conference in 2014)
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MANAGING DIRECTOR, HEAD OF EMERGING MARKETS EQUITY STRATEGY, GOLDMAN SACHS ASSET MANAGEMENT - 1998-2010

- Management responsibility for a team of 26 investment professionals across 5 regional offices
- Extensive marketing and client facing responsibilities for the strategy before institutional, private wealth and third-party clients with new money wins of over USD8bn
- Lead portfolio manager for a suite of emerging markets equity products with assets under management of over USD10 billion
- Winner of a number of Fund Manager of the Year awards in 2004-2007 (Lipper and Morningstar)

EARLY CAREER

REPORTER, THE WASHINGTON POST, MOSCOW BUREAU - 1992-1996

- Reporting on breaking news stories in Russia including the coup d'etat in 1993 and the war in Chechnya

NED EXPERIENCE

NON-EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER, ALROSA - 2015-Present

Member of Audit Committee and Strategy Committee

Alrosa is a public company and the world's largest and most profitable diamond miner with a market capitalisation of USD10bn. Nominated and voted in by institutional shareholders with a 11% vote (Genesis, Oppenheimer Funds, Capital and Lazard Asset Management)

NON-EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER, Moscow Exchange - 2016-Present

Member of Remuneration Committee

MEMBER OF INVESTMENT COMMITTEE, EDP Program, OXFAM UK - 2015-Present

DEVELOPMENT BOARD, ALMEIDA THEATRE- 2015-Present

ALMEIDA Theatre is UK's preeminent independent theatre company

VICE CHAIR, FLETCHER SCHOOL OF LAW AND DIPLOMACY, TUFTS UNIVERSITY, USA - 2008-Present

Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University is a leading graduate school in the United States focused on issues of public policy

MEMBER, BOARD OF ADVISORS, CFA INSTITUTE, UK — 2012-2014
CFA Institute of the UK is a national charity focused on the certification and continuous education of finance professionals

QUALIFICATIONS

Harvard Business School, Making Corporate Boards More Effective, 2014

Harvard Business School, Governing for Non-Profit Excellence, 2014

CFA Institute, Chartered Financial Analyst, 2001

Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University, MALD, 1998

University of Wisconsin, BA in Political Science, 1995

ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

SENIOR FELLOW, COUNCIL FOR EMERGING MARKETS ENTERPRISES,
FLETCHER SCHOOL OF LAW AND DIPLOMACY - 2014-Present

GUEST LECTURER, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, LONDON SCHOOL OF
ECONOMICS - 2015-Present

INTERESTS

ALPINISM (completed Seven Summits and Explorers Grand Slam
Challenge, including summiting Everest and skiing to the North and South
Poles)

LANGUAGES (fluent Russian and French)
