

# Specialist Finance Conference

January 27, 2026 | 60 Victoria Embankment, London



## Agenda

Tuesday, January 27

All times are shown in GMT

- 8:15 a.m.–9:30 a.m.      **REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST**
- 9:30 a.m.–9:40 a.m.      **OPENING REMARKS**  
**Rob Tanna-Smith**, Co-Head of Northern European ABS, J.P. Morgan  
**Ben Tucker**, SPG Sales, J.P. Morgan
- 9:40 a.m.–10:15 a.m.      **LENDER M&A – MOVEMENT IN THE MARKET?**  
**Jayne-Anne Gadhia**, Lead NED HMRC, Snoop  
**Becky Harris**, Chief Financial Officer & Chief Operating Officer, Catalyst  
**Kieran McSweeney**, Partner, Quilam  
**Nick Parkhouse**, Global Head of Financial Services, Interpath  
**Paul Sheriff**, Chief Financial Officer & Chief Operating Officer, NewDay  
*Moderated By:* **Darren Novak**, Global Co-Head of M&A Capital Markets, J.P. Morgan
- 10:20 a.m.–10:55 a.m.      **DAME KELLY HOLMES – HOW TO SUCCEED**  
**Dame Kelly Holmes**, Olympic gold medalist  
*Moderated By:* **Deji Davies**, Head of EMEA Loan & CLO Trading, J.P. Morgan, IAB Chair, The FA & Director, Brentford FC
- 11:00 a.m.–11:35 a.m.      **HELD TO RANSOM – LIVE CYBER-ATTACK SIMULATION**  
**Dovi David**, Chief Executive Officer, MCL Finance  
**Scott Marshall**, Chief Executive Officer, Roma  
**Andrew Sillett**, EMEA Regional Information Security Officer, J.P. Morgan  
*Moderated By:* **John Macpherson**, Risk Advisory Partner, Ashurst
- 11:40 a.m.–12:15 p.m.      **JUNIOR CAPITAL – RESILIENCY IN THE STACK**  
**Alexander Curcio**, Partner and Leader of European Specialty Finance team, Castlelake  
**Hugo Davies**, Chief Capital Officer, Lendinvest  
**Kris Kraus**, Managing Director & Portfolio Manager, Pimco  
**Dipesh Mehta**, Chief Capital Officer, Funding Circle  
**Marc Sefton**, Partner, Quilam  
*Moderated By:* **Matthieu Wiltz**, Co-Chief Executive Officer EMEA, J.P. Morgan
- 12:15 p.m.–1:45 p.m.      **LUNCH**
- 1:45 p.m.–2:30 p.m.      **ALASTAIR CAMPBELL & SIR BEN WALLACE – DEFENCE & STRATEGY**  
**Alastair Campbell**, Strategist and Co-Host of the Rest is Politics Podcast  
**Sir Ben Wallace**, UK Secretary of State for Defence from 2019 to 2023
- 2:35 p.m.–3:10 p.m.      **FINTECH FORWARD – INNOVATIONS IN LENDING**  
**Richard Carter**, Chief Executive Officer, Lenvi  
**Gerald Chappell**, Chief Executive Officer, Fintern  
**Francesco Di Costanzo**, Chief Executive Officer, Jaja  
**Asesh Sarkar**, Chief Executive Officer, Salary Finance  
**Anna Wallace**, Chief Executive Officer, CFIT  
*Moderated By:* **Gabor Pogany**, Co-Head of Innovation Economy, J.P. Morgan
- 3:15 p.m.–3:50 p.m.      **EQUITY INVESTMENT IN SPECIALIST FINANCE**  
**Jeremy Benjamin**, Investor and Chairman, MCL Finance  
**Dan Coble**, Co-founder, ClearScore and Salary Finance, Angel Investor  
**David Issroff**, Principal, City Hall Capital LLC  
**Seb McDermott**, Managing Partner, AIM Capital  
**Thomas Olszewski**, Partner, 6 Degrees Capital  
*Moderated By:* **Lauren Clark**, Head of EMEA IB PB Partnership, J.P. Morgan

3:55 p.m.–4:30 p.m.

**JAKE HUMPHREY'S HIGH PERFORMANCE FIRESIDE CHAT**

**Conor Hillery**, Co-Chief Executive Officer EMEA, J.P. Morgan

**Jake Humphrey**, Presenter, Podcaster, Author and Businessman

**Mark Raddan**, Chief Executive Officer, Interpath

**Danny Waters**, Founder & Chief Executive Officer, Enra

4:30 p.m.

**CLOSING REMARKS**

**Rob Tanna-Smith**, Co-Head of Northern European ABS, J.P. Morgan

**Ben Tucker**, SPG Sales, J.P. Morgan

4:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m.

**NETWORKING RECEPTION**