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Evan Connell



MBA2019 AEA Investors

- **Profile:** Evan began his career at Bain & Company where he worked on private equity and corporate strategy projects out of the Atlanta and London offices. Following Bain, Evan joined AEA Investors as an Associate in the Middle Market Private Equity Fund focused on Industrials and Business Services investments. He left AEA to complete his MBA at LBS, where he served as Student Association President and graduated in 2019. After graduation, Evan rejoined AEA as a Vice President in the London office.
- **Firm:** Founded in 1968, AEA Investors is a pioneer in the private equity industry with an unparalleled global network of investors, business leaders and sector-focused investment professionals. Today, AEA is a leading global private investment firm with over \$15 billion assets under management, focused on private equity and debt investments in the middle market. The AEA Middle Market Private Equity team is currently investing out of its \$4.8 billion Fund VII Investment Program.

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Elisa Russo



MBA2016 Carlyle Europe Technology Partners

- Profile: Elisa Russo is a Senior Associate focused on Technology opportunities in Europe (Carlyle Europe Technology Partners). Prior to joining Carlyle, Ms. Russo worked in the London office of NextWorld Capital, a San Francisco-based venture capital firm. Before LBS, she was an Analyst in Greenhill's M&A office in London and worked as a Financial Tutor for E4Impact in Kenya. She is fluent in Italian, French and Spanish. Ms. Russo received her M.B.A. from London Business School in 2016 and a BSc. in Business Management (Hons.) from King's College London (2011).
- Firm: Began investing in 2019 as a €1.35 billion fund, Carlyle Europe Technology Partners is primarily focused on lower middle market technology-focused opportunities in Europe and U.S.

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James O'Gara



MBA2012 Warburg Pincus LLP

- Profile: James O'Gara is based in London, joined Warburg Pincus in 2014 and focuses on investments in the Financial Services sector. Prior to joining Warburg Pincus, Mr. O'Gara was an investment professional at H.I.G. Capital in Boston. Mr. O'Gara is currently a director of McGill and Partners and has been involved with Warburg Pincus's investments in Tilney Smith & Williamson, Max, Santander Asset Management, Allfunds, and DBRS. He received a B.S. cum laude in Business Administration from Georgetown University and an M.B.A. with distinction from London Business School.
- **Firm:** Warburg Pincus is a leading global private equity firm focused on growth investing. The firm has more than \$56 billion in private equity assets under management, and an active portfolio of more than 190 companies highly diversified by stage, sector, and geography. Founded in 1966, Warburg Pincus has raised 19 private equity funds, which have invested more than \$86 billion in over 910 companies in more than 40 countries. The firm is headquartered in New York with offices in Amsterdam, Beijing, Berlin, Hong Kong, Houston, London, Luxembourg, Mumbai, Mauritius, San Francisco, São Paulo, Shanghai, and Singapore.