



### BlackRock and ACI Slovenia webinar

## Global Outlook & ESG - Implementation of the SFRD Directive

Tuesday, 2 March 2021

#### Agenda

		Event details
14.00 - 14:05	<b>Opening remarks</b> Branko Petrović, President ACI FMA Europe & ACI Serbia	Date Tuesday, 2 March 2021
14.05 - 14.50	Global Outlook  Scott Thiel, Chief Fixed Income Strategist, BlackRock	No registration fee required
14.50 – 15:00	Investment Institute  Q&A	Registration link REGISTER NOW Contact details rok.makovec@abanka.si alenka.gedrih@bsi.si  ACI Slovenia
15.00 - 15.50	ESG and Implementation of the SFRD Directive  Manuela Sperandeo, Managing Director, EMEA EII  Head of Sustainable Indexing, BlackRock  International Limited	
	Richard Steel, Index Strategist within the EII Investment and Product Strategy team, BlackRock International Limited	
15:50 – 16:00	Q&A	Trg republike 2, 1000 Ljubljana
16.00 - 16:05	Closing remarks Rui Correia, ACI FMA Director, Education	http://aci-slovenia.org/



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#### Speaker bio



Scott Thiel is Chief Fixed Income Strategist for the BlackRock Investment Institute. Scott will be responsible for developing and delivering thought leadership, including actionable global fixed income market views based on the insights of our investment community. Scott is also a member of the BlackRock's Leadership Committee.

Scott has been with BlackRock for seventeen years and has held multiple roles within Fixed Income including Deputy CIO and head of global bond portfolio management. He began his career at Goldman Sachs. Although originally from New York, Scott has been based in London with his family for 15 years.



Manuela Sperandeo, Managing Director, is EMEA EII Head of Sustainable Indexing responsible for driving the sustainable strategy for BlackRock's indexing business including product innovation, research and client engagement. Prior to this, she was Head of Factor, Sustainable and Thematic ETFs, in charge of these product segments for the EMEA region, across product development, distribution and thought leadership. Prior to that, she was a member of the iShares Product Innovation team where she was responsible for Fixed Income product research. Manuela joined Blackrock in April 2014 from Barclays, where she spent 6 years working across several roles in the Investment Bank and the Wealth and Investment Management divisions. Most recently she was a Director at Barclays Capital Fund Solutions, an asset management business specializing in absolute return and alternative indexation strategies. Prior to that, she was a member of the Product Development team focusing on investment products for Barclays private and retail clients. Prior to Barclays she worked as an investment analyst at Alpstar, a credit hedge fund and as a Structured Derivatives Sales at Credit Suisse. Manuela has been a founding board member of the European chapter of Women in ETFs.

Manuela earned an Economics Degree, with distinction, from Bocconi University in Milan and an MBA from Harvard Business School.



Richard Steel is an Index Strategist within the EII Investment and Product Strategy team at BlackRock International Limited. His primary focus is to bring innovation to product selection by helping clients align their investment goal with the correct index strategy. In the past, Richard worked as an Equity Product Strategist within iShares, where his responsibility was to help clients navigate regional and fund specific strategies. With the vast range of products, he developed various analytical approaches to bring many processes to scale.

Richard joined BlackRock in October 2013 from Vanguard Asset Management, where he was an ETF Capital Markets Strategist. Prior to this, Richard worked as a Quant Index Strategist within Delta One trading at various sell side firms. Richard earned a degree in Chemistry from Durham University.

