

## Member News

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# EY LUXEMBOURG: 17 PROFESSIONALS ADMITTED TO PARTNERSHIP AS OF 1 OCTOBER 2020

**Luxembourg, 25 September 2020.** The Country Leadership Committee of EY Luxembourg is proud to announce the admission of 17 of its professionals to partnership – of which 4 professionals to the rank of Partner and 13 professionals to the rank of Associate Partner – and the promotion of 2 professionals to the rank of Director, as of 1 October 2020.

Olivier Coekelbergs, Country Managing Partner at EY Luxembourg said: “I’m very proud of these appointments testifying to the extraordinary talent of our new Partners, Associate Partners and Directors and to our ambition for a strong future in a changing market. They have all been through a rigorous selection process and their promotion is the result of their dedication to our clients, our teams and our purpose of *Building a Better Working World*. As they will lead courageously in uncertain times, I’m confident that they will continue to bring our values to life and inclusively. I wish them every success for the future.”

### **NEW PARTNERS AS OF 1 OCTOBER 2020**

**Zeeshan Ahmed**  
***Assurance, Private Equity***

Zeeshan, 43, Pakistani/Luxembourgish, joined EY in 2008. He is a Chartered Accountant and holds a Master from the Higher Education Commission of Pakistan. Zeeshan has gained 12 years of experience in the financial services industry in Luxembourg, mainly in private equity and real estate, with a particular focus on audits of Infrastructure, Venture Capital, Mezzanine, Buy-out as well as international investment structures. He regularly serves alternative fund managers in the selection and implementation of appropriate accounting standards, valuation methodologies, specific remuneration schemes, financial reporting and key performance indicators. He is also a qualified Islamic finance professional and actively involved in serving clients on governance structures and compliance matters. Zeeshan is a Certified Public Accountant (IRE) in Luxembourg.



**Julie Honoré**  
***Assurance, Real Estate***

Julie, 41, Belgian, joined the firm in 2001. She holds a Master's degree in Management from the University of Namur, Belgium. Julie has 19 years of experience in real estate, serving clients covering the entire value chain of the industry, i.e. clients active in development, construction, hospitality, real estate asset management and alternative investment funds. She has extensive experience in regulated and unregulated entities, in the consolidation of complex real estate funds and groups, in local GAAP, IFRS and US GAAP.

**Olivier Lambert**  
***Tax, Indirect Tax, Financial Services***

Olivier, 44, Belgian, started his career at EY in 2002. He graduated from the University of Liège, Belgium, in Political Science and Public Administration. He holds a degree in international and Luxembourg Tax Law. As an active member of the EMEIA FSO Indirect Tax network, Olivier has extensive experience in Luxembourg VAT advisory and compliance matters for Luxembourg and multinational organizations operating in the financial and real estate sectors. He is actively involved in internal process improvement, the organization of tax people events as well as working groups focusing mainly on people motivation and engagement.

**Jesús Orozco**  
***Assurance, Real Estate***

Jesús, 42, Spanish, joined EY Spain in 2003 and EY Luxembourg in 2008. He holds a Master's degree in audit from the University of VIC, Barcelona, Spain. He completed his studies of Economics at the University of Málaga, Spain, and in the Fachhochschule in Kiel, Germany. He has gained large professional experience in auditing and advising international regulated and unregulated alternative structures, mainly in real estate and private equity. He is leading the Asset Management working group of the Spanish Financial Forum in Luxembourg. He is a Qualified Chartered Accountant in Luxembourg.

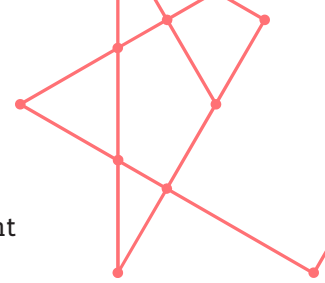
## **NEW ASSOCIATE PARTNERS AS OF 1 OCTOBER 2020**

**Marcello Belfiore**  
***Assurance, Real Estate***

Marcello, 38, Italian, holds a Master's degree in Business Administration with a major in Corporate Finance from the L. Bocconi University, Milan, Italy. He started his audit career with another Big 4 in Milan and joined EY Luxembourg in 2007 as a Senior in the Real Estate Audit practice. Between 2010 and 2012, Marcello was on secondment at EY Sidney, where he served listed commercial companies specialized in hospitality and development. Since his return to Luxembourg, he has been focusing on international real estate funds and Italian alternative investment funds. Marcello is a fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants and a member of the Institut des Réviseurs d'Entreprises of Luxembourg.

**Madjid Boukhelifa**  
***Assurance, Wealth & Asset Management***

Madjid, 39, French, joined EY Luxembourg in 2005 as an Assistant of the Audit practice. He holds a Master of Business Administration specialized in Audit,



Control and Advisory from the Business Administration Institute (I.A.E), Lille, France. Madjid has 15 years of experience in the Wealth and Asset Management industry. He is a Qualified Chartered Accountant in Luxembourg.

**Jean-Bernard Dussert**  
***Tax, Asset Management***

Jean-Bernard, 36, French-Australian, joined EY Melbourne in 2010 and EY Luxembourg in 2015.

He holds a Master of Sciences in Finance from IAE Lyon School of Management, France and a post-graduate degree in International Management from the University of Otago, New Zealand. Jean-Bernard has over 10 years of experience in assisting multinational groups with their transfer pricing, from policy set-up to controversy projects. Over the last years, he has focused on the asset management, debt and hedge funds industry. Jean-Bernard represents EY in the debt funds working group of the Association of the Luxembourg Fund Industry (ALFI).

**Christine Frentz**  
***Assurance, Extended Assurance***

Christine, 39, French, joined EY Luxembourg in 2006 as an Assistant of the Audit practice (Asset Management in Banking industry). She started her career as an auditor in France prior to joining EY. She holds a Master's degree in Audit and Management from the Burgundy School of Business, France. Since 2011, she has been fully dedicated to Anti-Money Laundering (AML) and Know Your Customer services, leading the team in charge of AML audit and providing other AML consulting services for different sectors (banks, PFS, insurance and funds). Christine is a Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialist (ACAMS) and an EY representative in working groups for AML experts (ALCO and ALFI).

**Claire Goachet**  
***Tax, Private Equity***

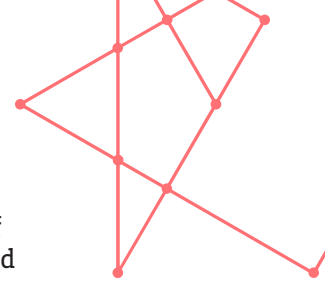
Claire, 36, French, joined EY Luxembourg in 2018. She holds a Master's degree in Law and Financial Engineering from the Jean Moulin Lyon 3 University, France. Claire has 12 years of transaction tax experience covering corporate taxation as well as regulated and unregulated fund structuring and taxation. Claire focuses on advising private equity funds on the tax aspects which are relevant to their investments, restructurings and divestments, as well on fund structuring aspects. She has extensive experience in designing and implementing fund and holding structures for US and European funds in a wide range of transactions such as IPO exits, trade sales, mergers and refinancing.

**Antoine Le Bars**  
***Assurance, Banking & Capital Markets***

Antoine, 36, French, joined EY as an assistant in Assurance in 2010, working for various Financial Services engagements. Antoine also completed a secondment in the EY Dublin office. He holds a Master's degree in Management from Kedge Business School, France. Antoine is a Certified Public Accountant (Réviseur d'Entreprises) in Luxembourg. Antoine focuses on serving large universal Luxembourgish banks and Chinese banks. He has gained experience in serving private equity clients.

**Réphaël Havrenne**  
***Law, Financial Services & Private Equity***

Réphaël, 36, Belgian, joined EY Luxembourg in 2009 as an assistant of the Corporate Law practice. He holds a Master's degree in Law from the Catholic



University of Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium. Réphaël has more than 11 years of experience in advising clients with their cross-border legal implementation of international restructuring and, as a global project manager, he has specialized in large international and cross-border transactions. During this period, he has worked for EY in Luxembourg, New York and has also established the legal desk in California (San Jose) where he is currently located. Réphaël is serving clients mainly originated from the US and Canada.

**Anca Lungu Negoita**  
***Assurance, Audit services***

Anca, 35, Romanian, started her career at EY Romania in 2007 and joined EY Luxembourg in 2011. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Finance from the Academy of Economic Students in Bucharest and is an ACCA (Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) member since 2017. Since she has joined EY Luxembourg, Anca has been working in the commercial and private equity sectors serving large audit mandates. She has also extended her experience in IFRS and in auditing consolidated accounts. She is a member of the Luxembourg Private Equity Association (LPEA) Market Practice and Operations working group.

**Giulio Melillo**  
***Tax, International Tax and Transaction Services, Private Equity***

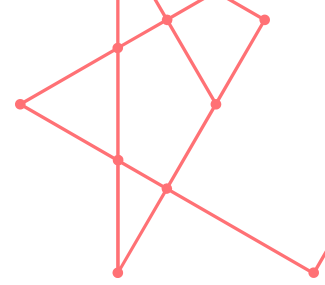
Giulio joined EY on 15 September as an Associate Partner to strengthen the EY Tax Private Equity Team. Giulio, 38, Italian, holds a Master's degree in Business Economics of the University of Genoa, Italy, and is CPA licensed since 2010. Having previously worked at EY in Milan and for another Big 4, he is joining EY in New York. Giulio has approximately 14 years of experience as a Tax advisor specialized in the advice on cross-border M&A transactions, corporate reorganizations, LBO transactions and debt restructuring for private equity funds especially. Having served clients in Europe as well as in the US, he has extensive international experience, also used to lead multidisciplinary teams with a proven track record representing US and European clients for their planned outbound and inbound transactions across the US and a wide range of EU jurisdictions.

**Xavier Picha**  
***Tax, International Tax and Transaction Services***

Xavier, 38, French, joined EY Luxembourg in 2006. He holds a Master's degree in Business Taxation and a Master degree in Private Wealth Management from the University of Rennes, France. Xavier has gained significant experience on a variety of international tax matters for major US multinationals and US alternative investment funds (including private equity and real estate funds) and has specialized in structuring acquisitions, cross-border investments/financing as well as reorganizations. Xavier has represented the EY Luxembourg firm in various roles across the US since 2010. As part of the Global Tax Desk network based in New York, he currently represents the EY Luxembourg tax practice there.

**Monika Reschka**  
***Assurance, Audit services***

Monika, 39, German, joined EY Luxembourg in 2016 as an Audit Manager in the commercial sector. Monika is Diplom Kauffrau (FH), Scottisch Chartered Accountant and Réviseur d'entreprises. Monika worked for a German global automotive manufacturer after graduation and was part of different projects in controlling and Mergers & Acquisitions (M&A). Prior to joining EY, she had worked for another Big 4 auditing US and EU listed entities.



**Romain Swertvaeger**  
**Assurance, Audit services**

Romain, 35, French, joined EY Luxembourg in 2009 as an Assistant in our Audit practice. He holds a Master's degree in Management, Accounting and Audit from the Ecole de Management Strasbourg, France. Romain has gained over 11 years of experience and primarily focuses on the Telecom, Media and Technology and Fintech sectors. Romain is also an EY representative in various working groups of the ALFI and is a member of the EY Blockchain Global PPG Group. Romain holds the ACCA qualification.

**Priscilia Valtær**  
**Law, Financial Services & Private Equity**

Priscilia, 37, French, joined EY Luxembourg in 2012 as a Senior in Assurance in charge of various audit engagements in private equity. She holds a Master's degree in Management with a major in international management control from the ESCM Tours-Poitiers, France. Priscilia has over 10 years of experience in private equity and primarily in the venture capital and funds of private equity funds sectors. She is a Certified Public Accountant (IRE) in Luxembourg. She is also part of the EY Technical Committee.

**NEW DIRECTORS AS OF 1 OCTOBER 2020**

**David Poncé**  
**Executive Management**

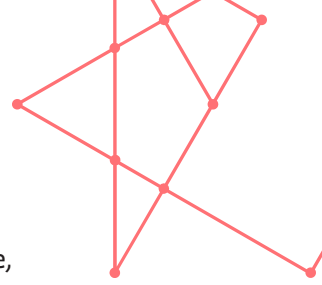
David, 50, Belgian and Luxembourgish, joined Arthur Andersen/EY Luxembourg in 1999 as a Senior Business Consultant dedicated to the investment funds industry. Since then, David has focused more and more on various internal projects at the Executive Management level, including operations, business developments and strategy aspects. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Economics, Politics and Social Sciences and a Master degree in Sociology from the University of Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium. Since 2010, David has been the Luxembourg Country Leadership Committee (CLC) Project Management Office Leader, also responsible for corporate secretarial matters.

**Fouad Ezzine**  
**Finance**

Fouad, 46, French, is graduated in Finance and accounting from the Business School of Nancy, France. Fouad has more than 20 years of experience in Finance. He joined EY Luxembourg in 2001. Fouad has been leading the EY Luxembourg Finance department during the last 10 years and has been initiator and project leader of several improvement projects in close cooperation with the Country Leadership Team.

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