Conference Series “Meet the Practitioner”

The Institute of Finance at USI and the Swiss Finance Institute, in collaboration with Paolo Cavatore from Banca Zarattini, the USI Career Service, and Lugano Finance Club, have the pleasure to announce the launch of a new conference series by the title Meet the Practitioner.

The target audience for these conferences is all the students at USI with an interest in a career in finance. During each conference, a finance professional will describe his/her career path and current occupation. The speaker will also provide details on the typical working day, the workflow, and the technical skills that are used on the job. These meetings will represent an opportunity for students to have an overview of the existing professions in finance. Each presentation will last approximately 45 minutes and there will be time for Q&A's.

The first conference will be held on April 27, 2016, at 6PM, in Room 250 at USI. The speaker will be Dr. Nicola Carcano, who is Head of Equity Investments at Open Capital in Lugano and professor of Structured Products at USI (a short bio follows below). Among other things, his presentation will discuss volatility management through financial derivatives.

You are strongly encouraged to take advantage of this unique occasion to learn more about the careers choices that you will face once you finish your studies.

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Short Bio

Dr. Nicola Carcano holds a degree in Economics from LUISS University in Rome, an MBA degree with major in Finance from the New York University, and a PhD in Financial Markets Theory from the University of St. Gallen. He was awarded a Fulbright Scholarship for the MBA program. During his professional career, he worked for Accenture as a consultant to financial service companies, headed the Quantitative Finance Team of UBS Investment Banking in Zurich, led Mercer Investment Consulting in Italy and the Portfolio Management for Ultra High Net Worth clients at Bank Vontobel in Zurich. Currently, he is Head of Equity Investments at OpenCapital SA, an independent asset management company based in Lugano.