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**100 WOMEN IN HEDGE FUNDS PARTNERS WITH PRINCE WILLIAM IN SUPPORT OF YOUTH  
HOMELESS CHARITY CENTREPOINT**

***BLAINE TOMLINSON AND FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT SIGN ON AS FIRST THREE YEAR  
PATRONAGE SPONSOR***

***2010 LONDON GALA AND OTHER FUNDRAISING EVENTS TO BENEFIT CENTREPOINT***

London – December 16, 2009 – 100 Women in Hedge Funds, a non-profit organization for professionals in the investment management industry, today announced during Prince William's visit to a Centrepoint hostel that, as part of the Prince's patronage of 100 Women in Hedge Funds, it has chosen to partner with Centrepoint. Centrepoint is the UK's leading national youth homeless charity, to build on its existing mentoring programme. This announcement follows the news in October that Prince William, who in 2005, chose Centrepoint to be the first charity of which he would become patron, will be patron of 100 Women in Hedge Funds' philanthropic initiatives.

100 Women in Hedge Funds has a track record of supporting charities in the fields of family health, mentoring and education. From January 2010, 100 Women in Hedge Funds will focus its philanthropic endeavours consecutively, for a year each, on three of Prince William's Patronages: Centrepoint in 2010; the Child Bereavement Charity in 2011; and Skill Force in 2012.

Prince William visited one of Centrepoint's locations today to celebrate the organization's 40th anniversary of serving young people. Centrepoint works to support those young people who are on a downward spiral, to give them a chance to turn their lives around and build a more fulfilling future.

Seyi Obakin, Chief Executive, Centrepoint said: "At Centrepoint, we are committed to giving homeless young people a future. We are delighted that, with Prince William's patronage, 100 Women in Hedge Funds will be supporting Centrepoint throughout 2010. This support will make an invaluable contribution to lives of the 800 homeless young people we support each day."

Commenting on the announcement, Anne Popkin, Chair of 100 Women in Hedge Funds, said: "We are thrilled as an organisation to partner with Centrepoint as they continue to meet their mission beyond their 40th anniversary, and are pleased to be working in partnership with Prince William to do so. All of our efforts and programs are aimed at supporting our three pillars of education, professional peer leverage, and philanthropy; and this partnership allows us to leverage our collective abilities and expertise in order to give back to the community.

"Funds raised by 100 Women in Hedge Funds in 2010 will be used to fund a mentoring programme aimed at enhancing the efforts already made by Centrepoint to impact the lives of young people by developing their employability skills, building their sense of self worth and self-esteem and setting goals for the future.

"In addition to Prince William's patronage, we are pleased to announce that Financial Risk Management and its chairman Blaine Tomlinson have signed on to be the first Patronage Sponsor where they will support the charity of the year selected by 100 Women in Hedge Funds over the next three years," added Popkin.

100 Women in Hedge Funds is planning a number of events in London during the year that will culminate in the 100 Women in Hedge Funds London Gala on September 30, 2010 at The Honorable Society of the Middle Temple (<http://www.middletemple.org.uk>). Firms and individuals interested in learning more about sponsorship opportunities or for further details on 100 Women in Hedge Fund's Gala event for 2010, please send an email to [londongala@100womeninhedgefunds.org](mailto:londongala@100womeninhedgefunds.org).

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### Notes to Editors

#### About 100 Women in Hedge Funds ([www.100womeninhedgefunds.org](http://www.100womeninhedgefunds.org))

100 Women in Hedge Funds is a global, practitioner-driven non-profit organization serving over 10,000 alternative investment management investors and professionals through educational, professional leverage and philanthropic initiatives. Formed in 2001, 100 Women in Hedge Funds has hosted more than 160 events globally, connected more than 150 senior women through Peer Advisory Groups and raised in excess of \$17 million for philanthropic causes in the areas of women's health, education and mentoring.

#### About Centrepont ([www.centrepont.org.uk](http://www.centrepont.org.uk))

Centrepont is the national charity working to improve the lives of socially excluded, homeless young people. It provides a range of accommodation based services, including emergency night shelters and short stay hostels, specialist projects for care leavers, ex-offenders, young single parents, foyers and supported flats and floating support services in London and the North East. From these accommodation services, Centrepont helps young people to turn their lives around by helping them gain essential lifeskills; tackle their physical and mental health issues and move into education and employment. Centrepont supports over 800 16 – 25 year olds each night of the year.

Since the charity was founded in 1969, it has helped over 70,000 homeless young people. Centrepont's Patron is HRH Prince William of Wales (since 2005); who took over the role from his mother, the late Diana, Princess of Wales (patron from 1992). Centrepont is registered charity number 292411. For more information, please visit: [www.centrepont.org.uk](http://www.centrepont.org.uk)

#### About Financial Risk Management ([www.frmhedge.com](http://www.frmhedge.com))

Financial Risk Management is a leading hedge fund-of-funds investing approximately USD9 billion globally on behalf of institutions and sophisticated investors. FRM serves clients in Japan, Continental Europe, the UK, Asia, Australia, North America and the Middle East through a worldwide network of offices.

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