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**100 Women in Hedge Funds and CAIA Foundation Announce the  
2014 CAIA Designation Scholarships**

**NEW YORK, NY and AMHERST, MA, May 27, 2014**—100 Women in Hedge Funds (100WHF), Pacific Alternative Asset Management Company, LLC (PAAMCO), and the Chartered Alternative Investment Analyst (CAIA) Foundation today announced the 10 recipients of the third annual 100WHF/CAIA Scholarships.

The scholarship program, established in 2011 by 100WHF through the 100WHF Institute and underwritten by PAAMCO, is a unique and forward-thinking initiative to help enable women in finance pursuing the CAIA Charter. 100WHF is a leading non-profit professional membership organization that seeks to enhance women's opportunities in the alternatives industry through educational programming, professional leverage, and philanthropic initiatives.

The CAIA Charter program is a rigorous, self-directed education program for finance professionals seeking deep knowledge and expertise in alternative investing. The scholarship is open to women with an interest in pursuing a career in alternative investment management, with a specific focus on portfolio management.

"These ten scholars are a testament to 100WHF's mission to provide professional development and educational programming access in the global alternative investment industry," said Mimi Drake, Chair of the 100WHF Association Board, and President of Permit Capital Advisors. "As partner to the CAIA Foundation, and with the support of PAAMCO, we have created and continued a scholarship program that identifies outstanding women, and enables them to deepen their knowledge and advance their careers."

The scholarship covers enrollment and registration fees for CAIA Level I and Level II exams, the CAIA textbooks, study courses, and the CAIA Association membership fee for the first year. The CAIA designation is valued by top employers and recognized globally as the highest standard of achievement in alternative investment education.

"We are very pleased to welcome our fourth year of scholars to the 100WHF/CAIA scholarship program," added Judy Posnikoff, a founding partner at alternative investment firm PAAMCO. "CAIA's extensive coverage of alternative asset investments will provide these women with the tools they need to further their careers within the alternative investment industry."

To be considered for the 100WHF/CAIA Scholarship, applicants must be full members of 100WHF, not be eligible for program reimbursement by their employers, and have one year of professional experience in the alternative investment industry.

“The success of the scholarship program underscores PAAMCO’s and 100 WHF’s commitment to excellence in alternative investment education,” said Thomas Schneeweis, President of the CAIA Foundation. “We also appreciate the ongoing support of John Wiley & Sons, Inc., Kaplan Schweser, and Institutional Investor Journals in helping these scholars earn the CAIA Charter.” As publisher of the CAIA Knowledge series, Wiley donates the books to the scholarship recipients.

The 2014 100WHF/CAIA Scholarship recipients are as follows:

- Christina Qi, Partner, Domeyard LLC; Cambridge, MA
- Fumi Shiba, Risk Analyst, Nikko AM Americas; Brooklyn, NY
- Ge Wu, Intern, JP Capital LLC; Baltimore, MD
- LeShanna Green, Officer, Transfer Agency Manager, International Fund Services (N.A.) LLC; Bronx, NY
- Nicola Le Brocq, Alternative Investments Consultant, Enhance Group; St Ouen, Jersey
- Margaret Towle, Partner, Towle Consulting; Indianola, WA
- Catalina del Mar Silva Bello, Fixed Income Trader, Profesionales de Bolsa; Bogota, Columbia
- Evis Pustina, Experienced Senior Associate, McGladrey LLP; New York, NY
- Divya Seth, Senior Manager, Colliers International; Mumbai, India
- Mercedes Owolabi, Analyst in Finance, Goldman Sachs; Staten Island, NY

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**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 12,000 alternative investment management investors and professionals through educational, professional leverage and philanthropic initiatives. Formed in 2001, 100 Women in Hedge Funds has hosted over 450 industry education events globally, connected more than 250 senior women through Peer Advisory Groups and raised over \$33 million for philanthropic causes in the areas of women's and family health, education and mentoring.

**About CAIA Association and CAIA Foundation ([www.caia.org](http://www.caia.org))**

The CAIA Association, a non-profit organization founded in 2002, is the world leader and authority in alternative investment education. The CAIA Association is best known for the CAIA Charter®, an internationally recognized credential granted upon successful completion of a rigorous two-level exam series, combined with relevant work experience. Earning the CAIA Charter is the gateway to becoming a member of the CAIA Association, a global network of 6,700 alternative investment leaders located in 80+ countries, who have demonstrated a deep and thorough understanding of alternative investing. Having grown rapidly, the CAIA Association now supports vibrant chapters located in financial centers around the world and sponsors more than 120 educational and networking events each year. For more information, please visit [CAIA.org](http://www.caia.org). The CAIA Foundation partners with leading industry organizations to increase knowledge and talent in the field of alternative investing. Please visit <http://foundation.caia.org> for more information.

**About PAAMCO**

Pacific Alternative Asset Management Company is a hedge fund of funds dedicated to offering strategic investment solutions to large, sophisticated institutional investors. Based in Irvine, California, PAAMCO was started in March 2000, has a global headcount of 132, and offices in London and Singapore. The firm's portfolio management team has both a strong academic background and years of experience in working with institutions and analyzing and creating multi-strategy portfolios of hedge funds.

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