

# MFA 2017 ANNUAL MEETING

## **KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**

#### **TODD PULVINO**

Founding Principal CNH Partners, LLC



Todd Pulvino is a Founding Principal at CNH Partners, LLC, the corporate arbitrage affiliate since 2001 of AQR Capital Management, LLC. In addition, Todd is a clinical professor at Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management. Prior to working in the investment management field, Todd was a tenured professor in Kellogg's finance department, served on the finance faculty at the Harvard Business School, and consulted extensively to funds of hedge funds. He holds Ph.D. and A.M. degrees in Business Economics from Harvard University, a M.S. degree in Mechanical Engineering from the California Institute of Technology, and a B.S. degree in Mechanical

Engineering from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Prior to completing his doctoral work at Harvard, Todd worked as a design engineer in the aerospace industry.

#### **RAGHURAM RAJAN**

*Katherine Dusak Miller Distinguished Service Professor of Finance Booth School of Business, University of Chicago* 



Raghuram Rajan is a Distinguished Service Professor of Finance at the Booth School. He was the 23rd Governor of the Reserve Bank of India between September 2013 and September 2016. Between 2003 and 2006, Dr. Rajan was the Chief Economist and Director of Research at the International Monetary Fund.

Dr. Rajan's research interests are in banking, corporate finance, and economic development, especially the role finance plays in it. He coauthored Saving Capitalism from the Capitalists with Luigi Zingales in 2003. He then wrote Fault Lines: How Hidden Fractures Still Threaten the World Economy, for which he was awarded the Financial Times-Goldman Sachs prize for best business book in 2010.

Dr. Rajan is a member of the Group of Thirty. He was the President of the American Finance Association in 2011 and is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. In January 2003, the American Finance Association awarded Dr. Rajan the inaugural Fischer Black Prize for the best finance researcher under the age of 40. The other awards he has received include the Infosys prize for the Economic Sciences in 2012, the Deutsche Bank Prize for Financial Economics in 2013, Euromoney Central Banker Governor of the Year 2014, and Banker Magazine (FT Group) Central Bank Governor of the Year 2016.

### **MITCHELL PETERSEN**

*Glen Vasel Professor of Finance Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University* 



Mitchell Petersen is the Glen Vasel Professor of Finance. He has published widely in finance and economics. His recent writing focuses on the funding of small firms and how such funding has been altered by technology and changes in the financial (banking) market. He was awarded the Smith-Breeden Prize for Outstanding Paper in the Journal of Finance in 1995 (for his paper "The Benefits of Lending Relationships: Evidence from Small Business Data") and the Michael Brennan Award for Best Paper in the Review of Financial Studies in 1998 (for his paper "Trade Credit: Theories and Evidence") and 2013 (for his paper "Investment and Capital Constraints: Repatriations Under the American Jobs Creation Act"). He was runner-up for the Brennan Award in 2008 (for his paper "Does the Source

of Capital Affect Capital Structure") and 2010 (for his paper "Estimating Standard Errors in Finance Panel Data Sets: Comparing Approaches").

He has been a member of the editorial board of various journals, including the Journal of Finance, Financial Management, Review of Financial Studies and the Journal of Financial Intermediation. He is also a research associate with the National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER) and was a member of the Moody's Academic Advisory and Research Committee.