

Team portraits

Xavier F. Kraemer (1945)

After completion of higher studies, 5 years with Union Bank of Switzerland. Thereafter, 12 years (of which 4 in Asia) with Citibank as Investment Advisor for international private clients. Achieved the rank of Vice President, and appointed Business Manager for the Private Bank marketing segments Asia Pacific and Western Hemisphere. Graduate of the University of Michigan's Senior Management Programme and of [IMD](#) in Lausanne.

Roland Schwab (1943)

Acquired degree from the Graduate School of Business in St.Gall in Economics. Spent 5 years as a Financial Analyst in Toronto. Thereafter, Investment Advisor at [Bank Jenni & Cie AG](#) in Basle. Moved to Citibank, Zürich as Portfolio Manager and Manager of the company's Pension Fund. Director of the investment department of a Swiss investment company. Member of the [Institute of Chartered Financial Analysts](#) in Charlottesville, Virginia, USA.

Romano Babini (1950)

Graduate of the [University of Chicago's](#) Senior Management Programme. Joined Kraemer, Schwab & Co. AG in 1986 as Partner. Prior to that, 17 years with Citibank/Citicorp. Of these, 6 years spent in Singapore, achieving the rank of Vice President in charge of the Private Banking business for South Asia. Upon returning to Switzerland in 1983, appointed Business Manager for Citicorp (Switzerland) AG.

Hans-Mathias Kaeppli (1956)

Graduate of the University of St. Gallen with special emphasis in Banking and Finance (lic.oec.HSG). Spent 11 years as Director of the Freiamter Bank SLO in Muri / Switzerland. In 1996 moved to the Neuen Aargauer Bank. Acquired an MBA in 1998 from the International Bankers School in Chicago. From 2000-2007 Member of the Executive Board and CEO of the [Neuen Aargauer Bank](#) in Aarau, the largest Regional Bank in Switzerland. Since November 1st 2008 Managing Director and Partner with Kraemer, Schwab & Co. AG.

Peter Borer (1950)

Studied at the University of St. Gall, University of Paris II and Business School of Vienna and received degrees in economics (1978) and law (1986). Devoted himself to the practice of law after having worked as an academic assistant at the European Institute of the HSG. In 1985, was admitted to the bar and is now partner with [EBD](#) lawyers in Zurich. Lecturer for Civil Law on the Faculty of Law of the University of St. Gall since 1986.

Paolo Tramontana (1973)

Acquired a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Bocconi University in Milan and an MBA from Insead; CFA Charterholder since 2002. Spent four years in corporate finance for UBS first and later for Novartis, helping in structuring and executing capital market transactions such as mergers, acquisitions, IPOs and bond issues. Acquired four years of fund management experience within the Credit Suisse Group, initially as assistant fund manager for the CS European Small Cap

Fund. Later joined Clariden Bank to set up, launch and manage the [Clariden Global Selection Fund](#) for which Kraemer, Schwab & Co AG currently acts as investment manager.

Reto Davatz (1957)

After completing studies in the Banking field, spent 10 years with Citibank in various backoffice functions. Upon completion of the Swiss Banking Diploma in 1985, moved to an offshore bank in the Caribbean for 3 years. After returning to Switzerland in 1990, joined [Coutts Bank](#) as an Investment Advisor for private banking clients in Asia and South America. Achieved the rank of Vice President and transferred to Singapore for 5 years. Partner since 2001.

Markus Studer (1961)

Acquired degree in Law from the University of Berne. Thereafter 10 years with Credit Suisse as Portfolio Manager in the Private Banking Group. Of these, one year spent in Vancouver as Swiss Representative. Graduate of the [Canadian Securities Institute](#) as well as of a [Portfolio Management Programme](#) offered by the Swiss Central Bank. Furthermore, acquired the [Swiss Certificate for IT](#) Application. Since 1999, Partner with Kraemer, Schwab & Co. AG.

Enrico Silingardi (1966)

After completing studies at Commercial School in Lugano, obtained in 1998 the Federal Diploma for Expert in Finance and Investments (AZEK). Since then member of the [Swiss Financial Analysts Association](#). Working as a credit officer for Banca Unione di Credito Lugano, thereafter ten years at Citicorp Switzerland in Zurich; in 1998 joined Bank Cantrade, Zurich (taken over by [Bank Julius Baer AG](#) in 2005) as a client relationship manager in Private Banking, promoted to the rank of Director in charge for Italian speaking clients. End 2007 became executive Director of Trireme Finance, Zug an independent asset manager. Joined Kraemer, Schwab & Co. AG as Relationship Manager in 2009. Fluent in Italian, English, German and French

Rita De Nicola (1953)

After completing studies in Business Administration in Zurich, Switzerland, spent 20 years in the USA employed as Administrative Assistant as well as in other fields. After returning to Switzerland in 1994, employed as Administrative Assistant and Bookkeeper. Joined Kraemer, Schwab & Co. AG as Administrative Assistant in 2007.

Jaqueline G. Ernst (1960)

Upon completing three years of commercial training in Zurich Barkeeping for three years in a lounge with a pub. UBS AG Zurich for 1 year in foreign exchange department. From 1986 to 2009 with Privatbanker HUGO KAHN & CO AG Zurich. Assistant of portfolio manager and handling of global settlement and administration for all stock market transactions. Joined Kraemer, Schwab & Co. AG in October 2009 as a commercial allrounder for the investment manager.

Can Ikram (1972): Independent Representative Middle East

Magister Artium (M.A.) from Ludwig-Maximilians University of Munich, Germany in 1997. Part of the entrepreneurial start-up team of Jacobs University Bremen since 2001. Chairman of the American Colleges Overseas from 2004 - 2006. Co-founding member of the European Center for Value-Investing since 2006. Head of emerging markets financial statement analysis and security

valuation cooperation between Acatis value-style mutual funds and Jacobs University's equity research team. [Tea](#) commodity trader since 2007. Advisor to Kraemer, Schwab & Co. on business development and global equity research.