

Speaker Biographies

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Maia Gez, a Partner in the Public Company Advisory Group of White & Case, advises companies and their boards of directors on corporate governance, compliance with U.S. federal securities laws and the requirements of the major U.S. stock exchanges, board and executive compensation and pay ratio disclosure, proxy advisory firm and investor policies, ESG and shareholder engagement. Ms. Gez regularly assists management and boards of directors on director independence, conflicts of interest, proxy statements and periodic reports, SEC and stock exchange reporting and disclosure requirements, disclosure controls and procedures and internal controls, auditor independence, insider trading, Regulation FD and other company policies, shareholder proposals and responses to SEC inquiries. Her practice also focuses on new developments and evolving best practices in corporate governance matters.

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