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A new credit ecosystem is taking shape, marked by the rapid rise of direct lending, innovative partnerships, creative deal structures, and expansion into diverse subsectors. In this dynamic landscape, these twenty-five Trailblazing Women in Credit are setting the standard for excellence. From lenders and capital markets professionals to limited partners, capital raisers, and other executives, they are reshaping the field with expertise and vision. Their savvy and skill in navigating today's complex credit markets have earned them recognition as leaders in their respective roles. Join us in celebrating their contributions to this vital and ever-evolving industry.

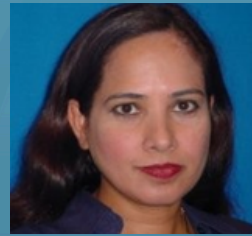
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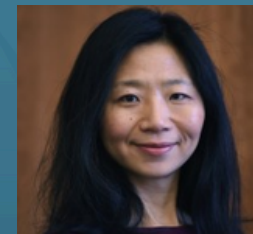
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