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The Big Picture -- What's the Fate of Leveraged Deals ?

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Wednesday, July 16, 4:30 - 8:00 p.m.
Bryant Park Grill, NYC
42nd Street & Fifth Avenue
(behind the Library)

SPEAKERS

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James H. M. Sprayregen

Restructuring Advisor & Managing Director,
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MODERATOR

John Miscione

Managing Director,
Duff & Phelps LLC



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Last summer, the credit market drama dealt private-equity mega-deals a losing hand. But what the credit meltdown has in store for middle-market (LBOs) deals is still something of a mystery.

Even though leveraged deals in the middle-market seem to be holding off the downstream spread of credit upheaval for now, everybody, it seems, is watching for tell-tale cracks in the dam and asking:

Is the credit infection spreading? If so, who's more at risk – equity or debt investors? What new funding opportunities are emerging? Is there another shoe still left to drop?

To answer these questions and learn what underlying factors will shape the murky credit markets and deal-making in all parts of the middle market for the remainder of the year and beyond, we invite you to an important new **MasterForum -- and cocktail reception -- on Wednesday, July 16, called “the fate of leveraged deal financing,”** featuring Ed Altman, Peter DeMaria, and James H.M. Sprayregen. [Click here for speakers' bios.](#)

Their high-level discussion and lively Q&A session will be moderated by leveraged-finance investment banker John Miscione, himself a former commercial lender and current Managing Director at Duff & Phelps LLC.

Come hear how these top minds view the erosion of confidence in the credit markets -- and what they predict will happen next for middle-market buyouts and the larger economy. They've given leveraged investing a lot of study -- and their well-considered recommendations for how best to proceed amid hemorrhaging valuations and liquidity demand our attention.

And if you're active in middle-market deals during these volatile times, then you **need** to hear what these three wise men are saying.

Come to the MasterForum and hear these finance heavyweights discuss:

- The importance of LBO deals in wider economic health
- Reactions to what has already happened in the credit market and how to interpret the unique developments
- Comparisons to other historical credit droughts
- What the latest bankruptcy trends are and the opportunities for investors
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How the availability of credit differs among the upper-, middle- and lower-markets

- How, when and where to refinance the debt of portfolio companies
- What credit market stability will look like in the future
- How sound credit-risk fundamentals actually are and how long lenders will hold the line
- What kinds of innovative forms of debt-financing are emerging and what new risks and opportunities they present
- What role the secondary markets will play in future deals
- What PE sponsors expect to happen and how it impacts their investing
- The different roles intermediaries are playing in today's deals

At this **MasterForum** you'll hear first-hand accounts of recent and pending restructurings, bankruptcies and turnarounds, distressed investing and PE funding strategies as well as the findings of cutting-edge research into credit risk.

And be sure to stick around after the panel for an open-bar cocktail and hors d'oeuvres reception!

For more information, please feel free to contact Amy Geiger at 212/832-7333 ext. 103 or ag@capitalroundtable.com.

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