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**NICSA 2019 STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP FORUM
HEADLINES DISTRIBUTION, TECH TRENDS, AND DIVERSITY**

Washington, D.C. – April 3, 2019—NICSA announces the launch of its 2019 Strategic Leadership Forum, where over 300 executives from across the global asset management spectrum—including investment management firms, broker dealers, and professional service providers—will converge in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida to share their insights on evolving business models within the financial industry.

Among the conference’s headline programs are expert panels on evolving distribution models, artificial intelligence, and Diversity & Inclusion. The interactive breakout sessions will feature data management and analytics, product trends, and fraud prevention, among other topics. The full [agenda](#), including an overview of featured [expert speakers](#), can be found at nicsa.org.

The conference will feature keynote presentations by [Carla Harris](#), Vice Chairman, Managing Director and Senior Client Advisor at **Morgan Stanley** as well as [Amy Herman](#), President of **The Art of Perception**. NICSA’s annual *Face the Membership Roundtable*, moderated by **CNBC’s Tyler Mathisen** will feature C-Suite executives from **BNY Mellon Investment Management**, **Hennion & Walsh, Inc.**, and **MFS Investment Management**.

NICSA’s Chairman of the Board of Directors, Dan Houlihan, will open the event. Dan Houlihan is Executive Vice President and Head of Asset Servicing for the Americas at **Northern Trust Company**.

Lisa Hill, Vice Chairman of NICSA and Managing Director at **Blackrock** said, “The Strategic Leadership Forum is a content-rich event attended by some of the industry’s top talent. We hope that the event’s programs will showcase their diverse perspectives and lend to the industry’s strategic business planning in 2019 and beyond.”

Jim Fitzpatrick, President of NICSA, added: “NICSA offers great value to its members through interactive forums like the ones being delivered at this year’s SLF. Industry collaboration and idea sharing provides great building blocks for innovation and leadership within the asset management industry.”

At the conclusion of the Strategic Leadership Forum, NICSA will host the [2019 Blackwell Scholarship Charity Golf Tournament](#) in support of the NICSA [William T. Blackwell Scholarship Program](#), which recognizes outstanding students of the NICSA family with financial and social support for postsecondary education.

The [2019 Strategic Leadership Forum](#) is being held at the Sawgrass Marriott Golf Resort and Spa in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida from April 3-5, 2019. For the complete program, including sessions and speakers, click [here](#).

About NICSA

[NICSA](#) is a nonprofit trade association connecting all sides of the investment management industry to **develop, share and advance leading practices**. NICSA offers enterprise-level membership benefits to a diverse set of participants in the global asset management industry— including product, distribution, technology, operations, compliance, and accounting professionals.

For over fifty years, the Association has offered a collective, timely view on evolving themes shaping the financial industry. NICSA member companies operate in all segments of the financial industry and include fund complexes, broker dealers, custodian banks, transfer agents, and other professional service firms including audit, tax, legal, technology, marketing, telecom, and compliance.

At NICSA, deep expertise and unique perspectives come together in an open and collaborative environment to tackle the strategic implementation of the industry's most vital issues. For more information about NICSA and how to become a member, contact 508-485-1500 or visit www.nicsa.org.

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