



## Top Executives to Discuss The Future of South Florida Commercial Real Estate at the Miami Finance Forum's CEO Power Breakfast

*South Florida's Real Estate and Banking Professionals to Gather November 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 A.M. at The Bankers Club in Downtown Miami to Debate Future of Vital Industry*

Miami, FL - November 10, 2010 - The Miami Finance Forum, Inc. ("MFF"), South Florida's premier networking group for finance and investment professionals, today announced that it will be holding a quarterly CEO Power Breakfast on November 30<sup>th</sup> at the Bankers Club, located at 2 South Biscayne Boulevard in Downtown Miami, Florida. Registration will open at 7:30 A.M. followed by breakfast and a panel discussion from 8:00 A.M. to 9:30 A.M. This breakfast event, which is regularly attended by South Florida's foremost financial executives and decision makers, is sponsored by Advanced Fund Administration and will feature an expert panel discussing the topic: "The Future of Commercial Real Estate: Pending Implosion or Soft Landing?" Panelists will include Jose Hevia, CEO/President of Flagler Development, Raul Valdez-Fauli, Jr., Miami-Dade President, CNL Bank, and Tere Blanca, President/CEO of Blanca Commercial Real Estate. The panel will be moderated by Hank Klein, Vice Chairman of Blanca Commercial Real Estate, a newly appointed Miami Finance Forum Board member.

"For the last couple years, the global recession has had a significant impact on the South Florida commercial real estate market. Yet lately, investors are indicating to us that this may be time that they have been waiting for to expand their holdings in South Florida," said Michael Schmidt, Board Member of the Miami Finance Forum and Vice President of USI Insurance Services. "Don't miss this opportunity to hear from heavy hitters in South Florida finance and real estate as to where this market may be headed."

"Commercial Real Estate has long been central to the growth and success of South Florida. Many investors and tenants are seeing today's excellent valuations as a signal to jump into the market while many others are still paralyzed on the sidelines wondering when or if the other shoe is going to drop," added Hank Klein, Board Member of the Miami Finance Forum and Vice Chairman of Blanca Commercial Real Estate. "Our panel will dispel some of the confusion about investing in Commercial Real Estate by addressing the pertinent issues and providing valuable insight into the inner workings of this market."

Attendance at this CEO Power Breakfast is complimentary to all Miami Finance Forum members and costs \$55.00 for non-members. Limited seating and some sponsorships are still available. You must RSVP to attend this event. To RSVP or to inquire about sponsorship of this or other Miami Finance Forum events, please contact Elena Djakonova at [Elena@miamifinanceforum.com](mailto:Elena@miamifinanceforum.com).

### **About Miami Finance Forum**

Established in 2006, the Miami Finance Forum is a non-profit trade association of leading firms in private equity, venture capital, investment banking, capital markets, commercial banking, investment management and related professional fields in South Florida. The MFF sponsors professional networking and educational events to create a forum for the advancement of South Florida as a leading global financial marketplace.

Upcoming events include:

11/16 - Miami Finance Forum Happy Hour at YOLO Las Olas in Fort Lauderdale

11/30 - MFF CEO Power Breakfast: The Future of Commercial Real Estate: Pending Implosion or Soft Landing at the Bankers Club in Downtown Miami

12/7 – Holiday Party at Gibraltar Restaurant at Grove Isle, Coconut Grove

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