

Draft agenda, subject to change

08.00 - 08.30	BREAKFAST AND NETWORKING Grab a coffee and croissant, and connect with your peers!
08.30 - 08.40	WELCOME <i>Richard Brent, head of content, Briefing</i>
08.40 - 09.15	KEYNOTE: Steering a course through economic uncertainty and geo-political chaos Persistent macroeconomic uncertainty, including slow growth, ‘stagflation’ and geopolitical instability; these are the economic pressures which require an agile and and proactive approach to financial planning and risk management. How can finance leaders steer their firms through these uncertainties while maintaining profitability and supporting long-term growth?
09:15 – 10:00	LEADERS PANEL: Growth, profitability and business planning in uncertainty <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivering growth in an uncertain world? • Managing the tension between the pressure to drive up productivity versus the push for growth • How to balance hybrid working and growth plans with long leases • The role of tech in releasing lockup and improving the firm’s financial position • How to engage leadership teams with longer-term planning
10:00 – 10.45	ROUNDTABLES: strategies to improve working capital, reduce lock up and harness efficiencies Choose a table and share your perspective on the strategic challenge for finance leaders <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategies for improving WIP to cash/lockup • Building commercial awareness to get fee-earners to think like finance leaders • Navigating business transformation: getting started with overhauling legacy systems • Smart Resourcing: matching skills, roles, and tools for maximum efficiency
10.45 – 11:00	COFFEE BREAK Continue the conversation over a brew
11:00 – 11:30	QUICKFIRE ROUND-TABLE FEEDBACK A chance to hear the key takeaways from all the roundtable discussions
11:30 – 12:00	FINANCE FOCUS: AI and the pricing/cost conundrum As genAI continues to be rolled out at pace, there is an emerging set of challenges around cost structures, client expectations around pricing and value, and the reallocation of fee-earners’ time.

12:00 - 12:30 – 30 mins	IN CONVERSATION: The changing role of the legal CFO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The CFO as strategist, change agent and cultural leader • Navigating tech investments, pricing evolution, and talent pressures • What skills and teams do finance need for the next five years
12.30 - 12:35	CLOSING REMARKS <i>Richard Brent, head of content, Briefing</i>
12.35 - 13:30	LUNCH Join us for a light lunch before heading back to your desk