

CIPF Podcast Series

Regulating Financial Innovation

In this podcast, Suzanne Lasrado discusses the types of innovation that CIRO is currently observing. She also comments on CIRO's initiatives that support financial innovation and that also balance the need to protect investors. Finally, she provides an update on key takeaways and next steps from a crypto-focused roundtable discussion organized by CIRO earlier this year.



**Suzanne
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Suzanne Lasrado has had an illustrious career with the regulatory organization spanning almost two decades. She joined the Investment Dealers Association in the Financial & Operations Compliance group in 2005 and ascended through various managerial roles within FINOPS to become Director. In 2021, her responsibilities extended to the organization's strategic function when she assumed the position of Director, Member Regulation & Strategy at IIROC, before moving on to her current role.

She previously worked at professional accounting firms including Deloitte where she obtained her Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA, CA) designation. Suzanne is also a registered Certified Public Accountant with the State of Illinois in the USA, and has a Master of Management and Professional Accounting degree from the University of Toronto's Rotman School of Management.



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Odarka Decyk joined CIPF upon the amalgamation of the MFDA Investor Protection Corporation (MFDA IPC) and the former CIPF. She was President of the MFDA IPC from 2019 to the date of amalgamation. At CIPF, she leads a team with responsibility for membership and insolvency readiness.

Prior to her role as President of the MFDA IPC, she served as Vice-President and Controller for the MFDA IPC, and as an Associate Partner at KPMG LLP where she specialized in the financial services sector focused on investment dealers and mutual fund dealers.

She is a Chartered Professional Accountant and Chartered Accountant and holds a Bachelor of Arts, Honours Chartered Accounting degree from the University of Waterloo.