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This week, the Diversity in Fund Finance group had its second career panel event with **PENCIL**, the NYC-based non-profit whose mission is to provide New York public school students with access to relationships and opportunities with business professionals. After our first participation in the organization's career panel series in the summer, PENCIL invited us again to its virtual programming.

Kevin O'Hara, Director at Lloyds Bank, Gregory Paul, Business Development Director at Morgan Stanley, and Albert Tan, Partner at Haynes and Boone, participated in the virtual career panel focused on various career topics, including the importance of affinity groups. Kevin began his career at Standard Bank South Africa in securitization and predictive modelling before transitioning to Lloyds, where he is part of the Sponsors & Structured Finance team. Greg started as an analyst in MS's Corporate and Institutional Solutions group before moving into its Private Wealth Management Division. Albert has been at Haynes and Boone for 26 years and serves on the firm's Board of Directors and as Co-Chair of the Fund Finance Practice Group. The unique background of each panelist was well-received by the students, who were able to learn and ask questions and obtain general advice as they think about their future. The students appreciated the honest thoughts and varying backgrounds that each panelist had to offer to the session. We look forward to our continued partnership with PENCIL for more volunteer opportunities in 2021.

A friendly reminder that the Diversity in Fund Finance group is also holding an open committee meeting on Friday, December 11 at 12:30 p.m. EST. If you are interested in learning about our group, want to be part of planning future events and would like to join the meeting, please email **Michelle Bolingbroke** or **Natasha Puri**.