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## **Leo A. Guthart** Chairman and CEO, Topspin Partners, LP

Prior to founding Topspin, Leo Guthart was president, CEO and chairman of ADEMCO, which he joined in 1964. Under his tenure, the company grew from a fledgling manufacturer to become the Pittway Corporation Security Group, a \$1.5 billion enterprise. This group encompassed the world's largest manufacturer and distributor of security systems in addition to a number of security-related businesses. Following its sale to Honeywell International in 2000 for \$2.2 billion, Mr. Guthart was named CEO of Honeywell's Security and Fire Solutions Group. Leo Guthart currently serves as a board member of the Aptar Group (NYSE: ATR). He is also a member of the board of trustees of Hofstra University, where he served as chair from 1993 to 1996. He served as the chairman of Cylink Corporation (Nasdaq: CYLK), a board member of Symbol Techonologies (NYSE: SBL), and as a trustee for the Acorn Group of Funds.

Mr. Guthart received an A.B. in physics from Harvard College and an M.B.A. from Harvard Business School where he was a Baker Scholar. He also received a doctorate from Harvard Business School with a specialty in corporate finance, and served on its faculty where he was a Ford Foundation Fellow.

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Leo A. Guthart

"Private Equity: A Long Island Perspective"

Wednesday, May 2, 2007 8-9:30 a.m.

Lowenfeld Conference and Exhibition Hall Joan and Donald E. Axinn Library, 10th Floor South Campus

Conference to follow breakfast:

Private Equity: A New Force for Value Creation Scott Skodnek Business Development Center, Room 246 Joan and Donald E. Axinn Library, South Campus

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#### **PROGRAM**

9:45-9:50 a.m. WELCOMING REMARKS

Andrew Spieler, Ph.D., Hofstra University

Conference Director

9:50-11:30 a.m. SESSION I: Private Equity Fundamentals: Markets, Process

and Participants

Moderator: Ehsan Nikbakht, Ph.D., Hofstra University

Speakers:

Clark Maxam, Ph.D., University of Colorado-

Colorado Springs

David Flynn, Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal LLP

John MacKessy, FTI Consulting

11:30-11:40 a.m. Coffee Break

11:40 a.m.-1 p.m. SESSION II: Markets for Private Equity Deals

Moderator: Nancy White, Ph.D., Hofstra University

Speakers:

Mark Beiber, CFA, New York Life Investment Management

Mark Deutsch, Hudson Ferry Capital

Douglas Cumming, Ph.D., Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

1-2:15 p.m. Buffet Lunch

Keynote Speaker: Kenneth Lehn, Ph.D., University of

Pittsburgh

2:30-3:30 p.m. SESSION III: Oversight and Linkages to Public Markets

Moderator: Esmeralda Lyn, Ph.D. Hofstra University

Speakers:

Jennifer Marietta-Westberg, Ph.D., Securities and

Exchange Commission

Georgiana Fung, Merrill Lynch & Co.

3:30-4:45 p.m. ROUNDTABLE

Moderator: Clark Maxam, Ph.D., University of Colorado-Colorado Springs

Panelists:

Mark Deutsch, Hudson Ferry Capital

Frank Lackner, American Safety Insurance Holdings and

Greenlight Capital Re, LTD Michael Odrich, Lehman Brothers

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Cynthia Campbell, Ph.D., Iowa State University

4:30 p.m. CONCLUDING REMARKS

Andrew Spieler, Ph.D, Hofstra University

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