

2021 EVENTS***2021 Outlook: Investing in Life Sciences****January 21 | 1pm ET/ 10am PT**

Hosted by NVCA, Orrick, and Signature Bank, leading VC investors and life science experts discuss venture investing in the year ahead, including the continued impact of the pandemic and broader market dynamics. [Register here.](#)

VC University ONLINE February 2021 Cohort**February 1**

VC University is produced by NVCA, Venture Forward, and Startup@BerkeleyLaw and is the definitive online certificate course in venture finance. NVCA Members are eligible for a 20% discount. [Sign up here for updates.](#)

Comms 101: Building Your Brand as a VC Investor**February 23 (Application Deadline: January 15)**

Presented in partnership with Sparkpr, this 3-session educational program will provide foundational training to early-career VCs on the fundamentals of brand-building. The program is intended to serve participants from backgrounds that are historically underrepresented in venture capital. The event will feature speakers including PR professionals, in-house VC communications leaders, experienced VCs with strong public brands, and members of the media. [Apply here.](#)

Comms 201: Media Training for Emerging Voices in VC**March 2 (Application Deadline: January 15)**

Presented in partnership with Sparkpr, this 3-session educational program will cover more advanced communications topics such as media strategy and best practices for public speaking. The program is intended to serve participants from backgrounds that are historically underrepresented in venture capital and who are more experienced in their VC careers and have developed a track record and industry expertise. The event will feature speakers including PR professionals, in-house VC communications leaders, experienced VCs with strong public brands, and members of the media. [Apply here.](#)

VC Awards**March 2021**

NVCA will honor extraordinary achievement in the industry, including awarding Rising Star, Excellence in Healthcare, and Firm of the Year. More information to come!

NVCA & Venture Forward Event: [VC University LIVE with UNC](#)

June 3-4

Our next VC University LIVE is happening with UNC. Anyone interested in emerging company finance can learn about cutting-edge issues in VC and connect with local leaders as well as Silicon Valley influencers. [Learn more.](#)

***Additional Events to Be Added!**

View Previous Webinars – Recordings Below:

Exit This Way – Alternative & Traditional Paths to Going Public

Two-part webinar series on navigating the special purpose acquisition company (SPAC) market and routes to going public, sponsored by Latham & Watkins in partnership with NVCA. Amid volatility in the capital markets, private companies and their investors are increasingly evaluating a variety of options for how to go public. While traditional IPOs continue to be an attractive option, additional alternatives including SPACs and direct listings are becoming more prevalent. These two sessions focus on the evolving SPAC landscape and key considerations for going public options.

- **[A Closer Look at SPACS](#)**

Recorded December 9, 2020

This session focuses on the SPAC structure, advantages and benefits of merging with a SPAC, and key considerations when seeking a SPAC partner.

- **[Routes to Going Public: IPOs, Direct Listings & SPACs](#)**

Recorded December 16, 2020

In this session, we will discuss traditional and alternative paths to going public, as well as public company readiness. Attendees will learn about the key differences among the various options for going public in the U.S.

CVC Mentor Studio: Best Practices in Executing Cross-Border Deals

Recorded December 4, 2020

Leading investors discuss key strategic and process considerations CVCs and VCs must understand and navigate when making investments across borders.

How a New President will Transform the Tech Sector

Recorded on December 3, 2020

Join NVCA and Tusk Holdings to discuss: How President-elect Joe Biden's policies will impact state and local regulations in the coming year given the impact of COVID-19. Opportunities for creating new regulatory frameworks at the state and local levels for key sectors, such as telehealth, autonomous vehicles, gig economy companies, and cryptocurrency. What investors and start-ups should be on the watch for in emerging sectors in 2021.

[Industry 4.0: VC Outlook](#)

Recorded November 12, 2020

Join NVCA and leading VC investors to discuss the latest trends, insights, and predictions on "Industry 4.0," bringing digital innovation to the manufacturing sector.

[Use Intellectual Property to Unlock New Sources of Capital](#)

Recorded October 28, 2020

Join Aon as they discuss IP valuation, IP-backed lending, and how your company can use its intangible assets to access capital.

[Exploring M&A Deal Terms, Trends and Stories Pre and Post COVID-19](#)

Recorded October 15, 2020

Throughout the course of 2020, SRS Acquiom has been collecting data and observations around the issues that deal makers are grappling with during these challenging times. This program will include a discussion of deal terms and trends that existed prior to the pandemic, a review of what has (and hasn't) changed over the last six months and examples of the hot topics that deal parties are dealing with both in negotiations and after a deal closes.

[Enhanced Model Term Sheet Webinar](#)

Recorded October 2, 2020

The webinar will discuss the market analytics embedded in the Enhanced Model Term Sheet, how venture professionals can use the insights to improve decision making, and how additional NVCA Model Legal Documents may use market analytics in the future.

[Emerging Technology Meets National Security](#)

Recorded September 21, 2020

Listen to hear from Tom Feddo of the Treasury Department on how new CFIUS authorities are being implemented, and from Matt Borman of the Commerce Department on the "emerging and foundational technologies" rulemaking that could subject many more venture-backed companies to the CFIUS process and impact the ability of foreign nationals to work at U.S. companies. In addition, you'll hear from venture peers and national security experts with a panel on *Venture Capital & National Security: What's Around the Corner?*

[The SPAC Book – Current Trends and What You Need to Know](#)

Recorded September 29, 2020

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, special purpose acquisition company (SPAC) transactions have become incredibly popular. Join NVCA and Orrick for a discussion on the latest developments surrounding these rapidly evolving transactions. Topics will include market trends, projections, investor rights, lockups, BoD fiduciary duties, public company readiness, and how to navigate the current regulatory environment.

[Volcker Rule Reform](#)

Recorded September 23, 2020

Join NVCA and industry experts for a discussion on the new reforms to Volcker Rule going into effect on October 1st. This rule is especially important to small and regional VC funds who have greater challenges raising the capital needed to build businesses, and will put capital to work building startup communities around the country

[The New Normal in Venture Capital: Origination, PortCo Monitoring/Progression, Fundraising and Related Operations](#)

Recorded June 24, 2020

Online Webinar 1 CPE Credit

Join NVCA and Dynamo Software to take a deep dive into deal sourcing and portfolio management as the world adjusts to an unprecedented economic landscape. This webinar will cover sourcing deals from your home office, the state of portfolio companies, raising a new fund, and related operational challenges.

[Return to Work- Preparing for the Future Amid COVID-19](#)

Recorded on June 15, 2020

Join NVCA & Latham & Watkins as we cover the legal perspective on a broad range of HR and employment considerations, including compliance with federal, state, and local regulations, adoption of a Return-to-Work plan, and cost saving measures and potential associated legal issues, along with guidance on industry specific requirements as companies return employees to work in the coming months.

[Explore a \\$100 Billion Technology Customer: The Defense Department](#)

Recorded on June 11, 2020

It has never been easier to work with the DoD, but the challenge is in transitioning across the valley of death to major programs that provide recurring revenue. This is Defense Innovation Unit's (DIU's) specialty, and our fast and flexible contracting process provides a clear path to large-volume defense production contracts. Join NVCA and DIU to learn more about how DIU has created a new way for businesses to work with the DoD on commercial terms at commercial speeds.

[Best Practices for Building and Implementing a VC Compliance Manual](#)

Recorded on June 10, 2020

Join NVCA and experts from ACA Compliance Group and Proskauer as they walk through best practices for building and implementing a compliance manual, including: overview of current SEC regulatory framework for VC ERAs and RIAs, SEC examination and enforcement focus areas of relevance to VC ERAs and RIA, implementing and operating effective compliance programs – considerations & challenge, and latest trends (including business continuity planning lessons and considerations in the context of COVID-19).

[PPP Loan Forgiveness: What VC Backed Companies Need to Know Now](#)

Recorded on June 2, 2020

The Small Business Administration and Treasury Department recently released an interim final rule governing the loan forgiveness aspect of the Paycheck Protection Program. Join NVCA for a webinar to discuss how companies that are participating in PPP can navigate the loan forgiveness process. You will hear from Dana Settle (Greycroft); Trevor Loy (Flywheel); Dan Kahan (King & Spalding); Jeff Farrah (NVCA); and Justin Field (NVCA).

[Back to Work-What's Next?](#)

Recorded on May 28, 2020

What do you and your portfolio companies need to know and plan for as we prepare to return to the office? Join Chris Foster, Partner at McDermott, Will, & Emery; Todd Finger, Partner at McDermott, Will, & Emery; David Bergeron, President at T3 Advisors; and Michael Brown, General Partner at Battery Ventures to discuss key operational and safety issues as VCs and startups return to work in this next phase of COVID 19.

[How Litigation Funding Can Help VCs and Startups Unlock Assets](#)

Recorded May 21, 2020

The global pandemic has forced VC-backed companies to conserve capital and look for creative sources of funding. Join the conversation with [Eric Bahn](#) Co-Founder and General Partner at Hustle Fund, [Stephanie Southwick](#), Investment Manager at Omni Bridgeway (formerly [Bentham IMF](#)), a publicly traded global litigation finance firm with AUD\$2.2 billion to fund disputes), and [Aravinda Seshadri](#), Founding Partner at Venturous Counsel, a mission-driven law firm representing diverse-led startups and VC firms about how litigation finance can help investors and their portfolio companies unlock litigation assets and secure non-dilutive working capital in these difficult times.

[Corporate Venture Mentor Studio – Evolution of CVC Structures](#)

Recorded May 15, 2020

[Jim Adler](#), Managing Director, Toyota AI Ventures will discuss the range of CVC structures in the market today, including the organization of their respective teams and how they arrived at these models. This workshop will be a chance to compare and contrast approaches as well as explore respective “journeys” to CVC operational structures.

[Streamlining and Coordinating Back Office Processes to Improve LP Accounting and Fostering Collaboration with Remote Co-Workers and Investors](#)

Recorded May 12, 2020

Join NVCA, Erin Mauro from Matrix Partners, and Dynamo Software for a thoughtful leadership webinar discussing automating, auditing, and reporting investor allocations and statements, as well as web portal basics to improve the investor statement distribution process.

[Supporting Portfolio Companies in Times of Crisis: Offensive Strategy & Positioning for the Future](#)

Recorded May 7, 2020

NVCA and TCV discuss how VC firms can support their portfolio companies during the current COVID-19 pandemic and economic downturn and begin shifting from defensive strategies to offensive ones that will position portfolio companies for the future. TCV's portfolio operations team speak on how they are providing COVID-19 support to their growth stage companies in the areas such as: work force planning, spending on vendors and facilities, media relations and communications, customer and GTM initiatives (Sales/Marketing/Success), and cash management.

[Corporate Venture Mentor Studio – How to Build & Grow a Platform Team](#)

Recorded May 1, 2020

Adam Coccari, Portfolio Lead, M12, shares his experience designing and expanding a value add program supporting portfolio engagement across Microsoft business units. This members-only online forum invites participants to examine various approaches to encouraging and measuring parent company-portfolio relationships.

[Seed Stage Financing Using the NVCA Model Legal Documents](#)

Recorded April 24, 2020

This webinar walks through how to efficiently close your early stage seed financings using the NVCA Model Legal Documents, better positioning companies for raising Series A rounds. Billy Murphy, Partner at Dwyer Murphy Calvert LLP, provides guidance and commentary regarding how practitioners typically customize and streamline the NVCA Model Legal Documents in the seed context, including for both institutional seed financings and company-structured angel or friends and family seed rounds.

[VC GC M&A Checklist: Post-Close Drafting Considerations](#)

Recorded April 16, 2020

SRS Acquiom has represented shareholders in more than 2,500 transactions and has negotiated and litigated thousands of issues related to purchase price adjustments, indemnification, and earnouts. Paul Eastwood and Micah Sucherman will discuss their experiences and items to watch out for as you structure your next exit.

[COVID-19 Webinar: Should Portfolio Companies take PPP Loan?](#)

Recorded on April 9, 2020

Barry Eggers (Lightspeed), Bobby Franklin (NVCA), Jan Garfinkle (Arboretum Ventures), and Mike Kendall (Goodwin Procter) discuss different perspectives on advising portfolio companies to take out a loan with the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP), the \$350 billion small business lending facility enacted by the recent stimulus bill.

[PPP Rollout: Where We Are and Guidance for Next Steps](#)

Recorded on April 7, 2020

The NVCA Policy team discusses what types of startups can likely apply for PPP loans and provides guidance on how startups that are eligible should move forward with their applications.

[COVID-19 Webinar: Navigating Resources for Startups](#)

Recorded on April 6, 2020

Bobby Franklin (NVCA), Erin Estevez (Cooley), Greg Becker (SVB), and Jan Garfinkle (Arboretum Ventures) held an online conversation around the various resources available to startups from the federal government and how startups can best access these resources.

[Updated Guidance on Small Business Loan Facility](#)

Recorded on April 2, 2020

Guidance for startups on how the affiliation rule will impact their use of the SBA loan program in the \$2 trillion stimulus package that was signed into law to address the COVID 19 crisis.

[Crisis Communications + COVID-19](#)

Recorded on March 31, 2020

Join VC communications experts Becky Buckman (Battery Ventures), Kate Barrett and Ashley Mitchell (NEA), and Sue Kwon (Comcast Ventures) to get crucial crisis communications tips and best practices for VC firms and startups to plan and execute to investors, customers, and the public during the COVID-19 pandemic.

[CARES Act and the Startup Ecosystem](#)

Recorded on March 27, 2020

Get more details and analysis on the \$2 trillion stimulus package and how it will impact the startup ecosystem in our webinar with the NVCA policy.

[Beyond VC: Wellness + COVID-19](#)

Recorded on March 26, 2020

Join Jake Chapman, Co-Founder and Managing Partner at Alpha Bridge Ventures, and Dr. Kari Sulenes, Partner at Alpha Bridge Ventures and Executive Director of Atlas, ABV's affiliated leadership platform dedicated to holistic founder support, for practical guidance on team and personal well-being at this challenging time for companies and leaders. Session to cover recommendations for GPs and founders on how to foster strong culture, maintain morale, navigate the unknown, hold colleagues accountable, and practice diligent self-care in this unstable and unpredictable environment.

[What We Know and What We Don't Know from Washington](#)

Recorded on March 25, 2020

NVCA's policy team is closely monitoring the outbreak of the coronavirus (COVID-19) and is working diligently to address the VC industry's needs to help firms and portfolio companies during this challenging time. Tune in at 4:00pm ET today to hear what we know and what we don't know about the latest COVID-19 stimulus package.

COVID-19: VC Veterans Weigh-in on How to Weather the Storm

Recorded on March 24, 2020

VC veterans who have weathered prior downturns share their insights on how their firms are approaching the changes COVID-19 has brought to their workforce and fund management; how they are guiding their portfolio companies on operations and funding; advice for their VC peers and startups; and how they see the next 3-6-12 months playing out.

Best Practices on Building and Implementing a Compliance Manual

Recorded on March 20, 2020

Join NVCA and experts from ACA Compliance Group and Proskauer tomorrow as they walk through best practices for building and implementing a compliance manual, including:

- *Overview of current SEC regulatory framework for VC ERAs and RIAs*
- *SEC examination and enforcement focus areas of relevance to VC ERAs and RIAs*
- *Implementing and operating effective compliance programs - considerations & challenges*
- *Latest trends*
- *Challenges faced by VC ERA firms considering transitioning to RIA status*

COVID-19: What VCs & Startups Need to Know Now

Recorded on March 20, 2020

In our leadership role as an industry convener, we want to address the opportunities and challenges our industry is facing in the uncertain period ahead. Join the NVCA Policy Team and leaders in the industry as they share what's going on in Washington, common challenges facing VCs and startups, and resources available.

Visualizing the Exit: How to Plan Follow-on Round Through Scenario Analysis

Recorded on March 17, 2020

Best practices in scenario analysis to help firms find smarter ways to deploy capital and reduce risk of dilution.

Cybersecurity Considerations for VCs

Recorded on February 19, 2020

Cybersecurity experts at Marsh examined the changing regulatory landscape for investors and examples of robust cyber risk strategies, including:

- *Maintenance of prescriptive schedules and processes for testing data integrity and vulnerabilities*
- *Established and enforced controls to access data and systems*
- *Mandatory employee training*
- *Engagement of senior management*
- *Insurance policies to have in place (cyber-specific and/or GPL)*
- *Implementation and compliance*

CFIUS Final Rules & VC Impact

Recorded on January 28, 2020

NVCA hosted a webinar with WSGR attorneys Stephen Heifetz, Melissa Mannino, and Beth George to explore many of the key issues and potential problems entailed in the legislation.

- *What is the extent of foreign involvement that would make a transaction subject to CFIUS review?*
- *When would CFIUS filings – currently advisable for many transactions but not legally required – become mandatory under the new legislation?*
- *What is a “purely passive” investment that does not trigger CFIUS concerns?*