

Biography



Ursula Schliessler

Chief Administrative Officer

As Chief Administrative Officer, Ms. Schliessler oversees the firm's technology, risk management, insurance, internal audit, real estate, fund accounting and transfer agency departments and the implementation of strategic projects

Ms. Schliessler has been in senior roles with Legg Mason or predecessor firms for approximately 29 years, with a brief interruption between 2007 and 2010. Prior to being appointed CAO in April 2015, she was Head of Global Distribution Business Management for Legg Mason, managing day to day operations and aligning strategic initiatives to support the growth of Legg Mason's retail business.

Ms Schliessler is a member of Legg Mason's Executive Committee, is a Board member of a number of Legg Mason's international legal entities, as well as being a member of numerous internal business and operating committees. She leads the firms' Compete to Win initiative, a lean six-sigma efficiency program and is Executive Sponsor of Legg Mason's LGBTQ Employee Resource Group and Legg Mason's Global CSR Network.

Her expertise spans product development and maintenance, sales strategy, regulatory, compliance and fiduciary responsibilities and business process design and implementation.

Ms. Schliessler was with Citibank and Citigroup Asset Management in roles of increasing responsibility in a number of countries from 1984-2005, and worked to transition international product offerings to Legg Mason through December 2006. From 2007 to January 2009, she was Head of International Product Development and Management for Morgan Stanley Investment Management. She established UAS Global Solutions, Ltd, a management consultancy specifically focused on asset management before rejoining Legg Mason in 2010. She holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree in Economics and a Master of Commerce degree in Business Economics from the University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, South Africa.