

## **BOD MEMBERS BIO**

### **ANDI BALLTA**

Andi Ballta has a long experience in the banking sector in the USA and Europe.

Since 2008, Mr. Ballta is a Managing Director at NCH Capital Inc., a private equity firm based in New York.

At NCH Capital Inc., until 2014 he was responsible for investment opportunities in Albania, Bosnia, Croatia, Macedonia, Greece, Kosovo, and Montenegro. During this time, he led the acquisitions of and managed a regional portfolio of prime shorefront land for tourist development in Greece and the Western Balkans. In July 2014, his primary-focus shifted to the management and growth of the regional debt purchase of NCH Capital Inc., collection, and financing company, Tranzit Finance LLC.

In 2015, after the purchase of Crédit Agricole Albania SA from Tranzit, Mr. Ballta became CEO of the newly formed American Bank of Investments SA.

Prior to joining NCH Capital Inc., Mr. Ballta worked for seven years with the Israel Discount Bank in New York and Miami as Senior Vice President - Head of Sponsored and Syndicated Financing. In this role, he managed a buy side team for high-yield loans, sourcing business, structuring, evaluating credit and trading in both the primary and secondary market. During the mid-1990s in Albania, Mr. Ballta assisted small and medium-sized enterprises in the privatization process and in facilitating direct investment in the country.

Mr. Ballta received a bachelor degree in Business Administration from the State University of Tirana and a MBA from St. Thomas University in Miami, Florida.

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