

# Thursday 29th September 2022

## Metropolitan Arts Centre, 10 Exchange St, West, Belfast BT1 2NJ

#### **Seminar Programme**

Registration from 16:00

16.30 Introduction from event chairman

Quick sum up of EIS, the basic stats and history

Boyd Carson, Sapphire Capital Partners

### 16.35 Investing in the EIS

Summary of the EIS/SEIS reliefs and best use, including the carry back facility. Quick comparison with other tax incentive schemes, VCTs. The dos and don'ts of investment planning. Spreading the risk, funds and single companies. Exits and investment timelines.

Leona Leonard, Cavanagh Kelly

<u>16.45 - Funding your start-up – overview of the opportunities for entrepreneurs and start-ups</u> **Susan Nightingale, British Business Bank** 

<u>16.55 - Panel discussion – Key Considerations – sectors, social impact, asset allocation and</u> the pros and cons of EIS investing

Andrew Aldridge, Deepbridge Capital, James D'Mello - Fuel Ventures, Sunil Shah, o2h Ventures, Michael McDowell, Raise Ventures, Raj Saxena, Velocity Capital

#### 17.10 - Company showcase — Intro by Deepbridge

The attractions of the SEIS and EIS for entrepreneurs and start-ups, how to go about raising fund **Shannon Beattie, GenoME Diagnostics Ltd** 

#### 17.20 - The Future of EIS

Working together to preserve the EIS. The work of EISA with HMT and HMRC. The Sunset Clause. *Christiana Stewart-Lockhart, Director General, EISA* 

17.25 Q&A

17.30 Close

**NETWORKING RECEPTION 17.30-19:30**