**Intro:**

**Hang in there!**

With reading week just around the corner, we are just as surprised as you are about how fast this term is speeding by! We are well into term now, but do not fret - that just means we have more exciting events in store for you to look forward to.

**Woman of the Month:**

**Inga Beale**

This week we would like to draw your attention to Inga Beale. Born in 1963, British businesswoman Inga Beale graduated in Economics from the Newbury College, Berkshire. Beginning her career at Prudential Assurance Company in London, she trained as an underwriter, specialising in international treaty reinsurance – a male-dominated field at the time. Beale quickly climbed the corporate ladder, assuming leadership roles in GE Assurance Solutions, Swiss reinsurer Converium and the Zurich Insurance Group. In 2014, she surpassed an extraordinary milestone after being appointed as the CEO of Lloyds of London - being the first female CEO in the company’s 326 year history.

During her five-year term as CEO, Beale introduced many culture-changing reforms. She was the first to move the company from paper-based to digital, started the Pride@Lloyd initiave as an open bisexual and today is Deputy Chair at London First.



**Finance Brief:**

* Shares around the world tumbled on Wednesday, 28th October 2020 as coronavirus infections grew rapidly in Europe and the United States, igniting fears of possible strict lockdown measures that could damage already fragile economic recoveries.
* The Vietnam Trade Alliance, a grouping of buyers and producers, signed a pact on Wednesday to buy up to $500 million worth of American pork over three years
* Goldman Sachs has recently released a software than enables clients to embed banking services into their own products, characterizing its efforts to broaden its services in corporate and consumer banking. This move is part of their plan to expand their revenue base away from volatile trading.

**Upcoming Events: Whats on this month**

* Exclusive Case Study Workshop with Strategy& (Nov 2)
  + Interested in Strategy Consulting? Don’t miss this opportunity to meet Strategy&, the global consulting team at PwC. You will have the chance to complete a case study and get first-hand advice from their consultants!

* Stock Pitch Workshop with Joanna Tucka from Ninety-One (Nov 16)
  + Join us in an exclusive workshop with Joanna Tucka, a healthcare equity analyst at Ninety One. With the opportunity to learn about stock pitches in equity and hone your skills, you do not want to miss out. More details coming soon, so keep an eye out!