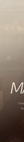

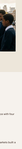

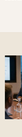

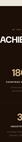

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ELIAS *MARCUS* WREN

Chairman & Chief Executive of Wren Capital Group. Four decades building across finance, real estate and emerging technology.

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Recognition & Highlights

Selected Distinctions

01 **TIME 100 Most Influential in Finance, 2023**

02 **Forbes Global Game Changers — three consecutive years**

03 **World Economic Forum Stewardship Award, Davos 2024**

04 **FT Visionary Leader in Sustainable Capital, 2022**

05 **Honorary Doctorate in Economics, University of Edinburgh**

ABOUT

A LIFE BUILT ON *Uncommon Conviction*

Elias Marcus Wren has spent four decades building institutions at the intersection of capital, infrastructure and culture.

As Chairman of Wren Capital Group he oversees $47 billion in assets across 34 markets and six continents.

TIME, Forbes and the World Economic Forum have each recognised his work in long-horizon, sustainable capital.

Areas of Expertise

Where the Work Sits

Strategy

Private Equity & Buyouts

Control positions in cash-generative businesses held through full economic cycles.

Capital

Sovereign & Institutional Mandates

Long-duration partnerships with sovereign wealth funds and public pension systems.

Real Assets

Infrastructure & Property

Ports, grid, and landmark real estate across London, Dubai, Singapore and New York.

Transition

Climate & Energy Finance

Clean energy, storage and resilience assets underwritten on thirty-year horizons.

Frontier

Emerging-Market Entry

Structuring first-mover positions in markets most institutional capital still avoids.

Oversight

Governance & Board Stewardship

Chairing boards through succession, restructuring and generational ownership change.

THE JOURNEY

BIOGRAPHY

1962 — 1980

ORIGINS

THE EDINBURGH YEARS

Born in Edinburgh to a civil engineer and a schoolteacher, Wren was the eldest of four children in a modest, book-filled house.

By sixteen he was reading balance sheets and financial papers daily, teaching himself the language of capital.

ST. MATTHEW'S
COMMUNITY SCHOOL

1980 — 1990

FORMATION

OXFORD TO WALL STREET

At Oxford he read Philosophy, Politics and Economics, taking first-class honours in 1984, then an MBA at Harvard by 1986.

Back in London he joined a merchant bank, where an instinct for undervalued assets quickly set him apart.

1990 — 2005

ASCENT

THE MAKING OF AN EMPIRE

In 1991 he founded Wren Capital from a single Mayfair office with four employees; by 1998 it held its first sovereign mandate.

Expansion into real estate, infrastructure and emerging markets built a structure resilient to any single cycle.

2005 — PRESENT

LEGACY

STATESMAN OF CAPITAL

After 2008 he became a statesman of capital, advising governments on sovereign debt and industrial restructuring.

The Wren Sustainability Fund, launched in 2018, has committed $3.2 billion to renewable and resilient infrastructure.

BY THE NUMBERS

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

$47B

ASSETS UNDER MANAGEMENT

180+

COUNTRIES OF OPERATION

12,000+

JOBS CREATED

Wren Capital Group portfolio across 34 markets

Active investments and partnerships globally

Through portfolio companies since 1991

47

ACTIVE PORTFOLIO COMPANIES

Spanning finance, technology, and infrastructure

35

INDUSTRY AWARDS

Including Forbes Global 100, FT Visionary, WEF Recognition

$3.2B

SUSTAINABILITY INVESTMENT

Committed to climate and renewable infrastructure since 2018

Credentials

Training & Affiliations

Harvard Business School

MBA — Baker Scholar, 1986

Balliol College, Oxford

BA (Hons) PPE, First Class, 1984

Chartered Institute for Securities & Investment

Fellow, elected 1999

Council on Foreign Relations

Member since 2007

Royal Economic Society

Trustee, 2015 — present

Bank of England Advisory Panel

External adviser, 2016 — 2021

INVESTMENT FOCUS

PROJECTS & COMPANIES

PRIVATE EQUITY / INVESTMENT · FOUNDED 1991

WREN CAPITAL GROUP

A multi-strategy investment firm managing $47B across equities, private credit, real estate and infrastructure.

CHAIRMAN & CEO

REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT · FOUNDED 2001

MERIDIAN TOWER PARTNERS

A premium real estate development and management company with landmark properties across London, Dubai, Singapore, and New York.

FOUNDER & CHAIRMAN

TECHNOLOGY & DEEP TECH · FOUNDED 2014

HELIX VENTURES

An early-stage venture fund backing AI, quantum computing, biotech and advanced materials.

GENERAL PARTNER

CLIMATE FINANCE · FOUNDED 2018

WREN SUSTAINABILITY FUND

A $3.2B impact investment fund dedicated to clean energy infrastructure, sustainable agriculture, and environmental resilience.

FOUNDER & MANAGING PARTNER

PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP · CO-FOUNDED 2010

GLOBAL INFRASTRUCTURE ALLIANCE

An international platform linking private capital with public infrastructure mandates across developing economies.

CO-FOUNDER & BOARD CHAIR

WEALTH MANAGEMENT · ESTABLISHED 2005

WREN FAMILY OFFICE

The private family office overseeing personal and philanthropic investments, estate planning, and succession strategy.

PRINCIPAL

Philosophy

How the Capital Thinks

Capital is patient or it is nothing. We underwrite decades, not quarters, and hold only what we'd be proud to own in thirty years.

Quote

The market rewards conviction; history rewards stewardship.

— Elias Marcus Wren

Testimonials

In Their Words

"Elias reads a balance sheet the way a historian reads a primary source — slowly, and for what is missing."

Dame Helena Roth
Chair, Meridian Tower Partners

"He was the only investor who stayed in the room in 2009. That is really the whole story."

Rajiv Menon
Chief Executive, Helix Ventures

"Wren's climate fund set a standard the rest of the industry is still catching up to."

Ingrid Sollberg
Director, Nordic Pension Alliance

BEYOND WORK

HOBBIES & INTERESTS

OCEAN SAILING 01	Three transatlantic crossings aboard his 60-foot ketch, Meridian — the one place, he says, decisions cannot be delegated.
CLASSICAL CHESS 02	A FIDE-rated player who has competed in correspondence chess for thirty years, treating it as a study in patience.
CONTEMPORARY ART COLLECTION 03	The Wren Collection holds over 340 works by emerging and established artists, co-curated with Catherine and lent to museums.
EQUESTRIAN SPORT 04	Horses at the Perthshire estate since 2003. A dressage and polo rider, he considers the saddle a necessary corrective.

LITERATURE & ANNOTATION
05

A private library of more than 8,000 annotated volumes, spanning Stoic philosophy, military history and monetary theory.

CULINARY ARTS
06

Trained informally by Michelin-starred chefs, he treats cooking as active meditation and hosts a private quarterly dinner.

MEDIA & RECOGNITION

MEDIA & VISUALS

DRAG TO EXPLORE

TARGET AIR
TARGET AIR

MILESTONES

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1962	**Born in Edinburgh, Scotland**	March 14th
1980	**Scholarship to Oxford — Balliol College**	Philosophy, Politics & Economics
1984	**First-class honours, Oxford University**	Valedictorian distinction
1986	**Harvard MBA — Baker Scholar**	Top 5% of graduating class
1987	**Black Monday — First major trade**	Net long during the crash; early reputation established
1991	**Founded Wren Capital Group**	Mayfair, London — 4 employees
1998	**First sovereign wealth mandate**	AUM crosses £1 billion
2003	**Forbes 'Rising Power in European Finance'**	Cover feature, April edition
2008	**Navigates the financial crisis**	Zero client losses; reputation solidifies globally
2010	**Co-founds Global Infrastructure Alliance**	With backing from 7 sovereign funds
2015	**TIME 100 Most Influential People**	Finance & Economics category
2018	**Launches Wren Sustainability Fund**	$3.2B committed to climate infrastructure
2022	**Keynote — World Economic Forum, Davos**	"The Patience Premium" — most-cited speech of the forum
2024	**Wren Capital AUM exceeds $47 billion**	Active in 34 markets across 6 continents

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