

# RISING STAR

The SFA Women in Securitization (WiS®) Rising Star Program recognizes and celebrates the achievements of individuals making significant contributions to the industry.

*Participation in the WiS Rising Star program is limited to 12 selected candidates.*

## QUALIFICATIONS

- ★ Employed by a WiS Diamond Sponsor Firm for at least one year
- ★ 10-15 years of industry experience
- ★ Based in the U.S. or Canada
- ★ Each applicant will need a recommendation letter supplied by an MD, Group Head, or equivalent who can speak to her work accomplishments and leadership skills
- ★ Each Diamond Sponsor Firm can nominate ONE rising star

## RECOGNITION

- ★ Profile on SFA website and SFA social media channels
- ★ Special recognition banner to include in personal email signature

## EXCLUSIVE ACCESS

- ★ Invitation to participate in WiS Meet-and-Greet Opportunity
- ★ Invitation to participate in roundtable session at SFVegas 2026
- ★ Special events and workshops throughout the year

## CAREER GROWTH

- ★ 12 months of group executive coaching
- ★ 12 months of mentorship by the WiS Rising Star Advisory Council

## UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE

- ★ Complimentary 3-night stay at the ARIA for SFVegas 2026
- ★ Invitation to participate in VIP WiS Events at SFVegas 2026

## NOMINATION DEADLINE

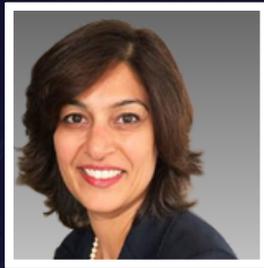
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