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# Cedrus' Head of Life Sciences, Ms. Kimberly Nearing invited to speak at the BIO CEO & Investor Conference in New York City

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HONG KONG, March 4, 2019 /PRNewswire/ -- Ms. Kimberly Nearing, Managing Director - Life Sciences at [Cedrus Investments \("Cedrus"\)](#), served on the **Conference Advisory Committee** and as a speaker on a panel at the 21st annual BIO CEO & Investor Conference in New York City on February 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>.



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The panel Ms. Nearing participated on focused on the impact of the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States ("CFIUS") on cross-border investments and deal making. Fellow panelists included Jeff Farra, Vice President, Government Affairs, **National Venture Capital Association (NVCA)**; Joseph Benkert, Senior Advisor, **Morrison & Foerster LLP**; and Jun Bao, Ph.D., MBA, President and CEO, **IMPACT Therapeutics**. One of the key take aways from the discussion is that regulatory reform is causing concern and pause on the part of many China-based investors and uncertainty by both investors and early-stage biotech's in the US that relies on these funds. It's unlikely these investments would stop altogether, it is very possible that these investments will go to other countries (including Europe) and or other industries.

**Nareg Sagherian, Director, Biotechnology Innovation Organization** said, "BIO's conference audience greatly benefited from Kim's experienced perspective on the priorities of life sciences investors in China and her ability to summarize current concerns among deal makers interested in cross-border investing. Cedrus has an impressive network of contacts in China and she was very helpful to us in putting our program together."

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