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Dear Lakshmi,

I wanted to congratulate you and your team for the excellent Global Wealth Conference that you held at the House of Commons, the Guildhall and the London Stock Exchange last month.

The quality of the event, panel sessions and speeches made it a truly leading global forum to discuss key issues with a wide range of large asset owners. I was also delighted by the collective sense of purpose and collaboration with the aim of making a positive difference to society and the planet.

I felt incredibly honoured to receive the GOOD Fellows Award at the dinner held at the Guildhall which made it even more of a special occasion. I enjoyed the fireside chat with you Lakshmi, at the Awards Ceremony, and I really valued the opportunity to hear others also describe their fascinating journeys.

I have been privileged to work with highly inspirational, motivated and hard working people and teams in a range of businesses, pension funds and charities that have achieved so much. With everyone working together, optimising the collective diversity of thought and experience, it is possible to make positive and sustainable change.

The Global Wealth Conference, wherever it's held in the world, brings together multinational leadership and influence from which new initiatives, innovation and positive change can be created – leading to better outcomes for people and our planet.

I look forward to supporting future initiatives and events led by you and your team.

Finally, many congratulations to you Lakshmi in being granted the very well deserved Freedom of the City of London and it was a privilege to have attended the ceremony.

Yours sincerely,

Ruston Smith Chair

