

Making LA Connections



Reception host, Frank Kline, **Klines Hawkes & Co.** welcomes Toigo Board Member, Robert Aguallo, a Fellow Commissioner Shelley Smith from **Los Angeles City Employees Retirement System** and Fred Buenrostro from **CalPERS** as guests to the reception.

The Toigo Foundation connected (and reconnected) with key partners in the Southern California private equity arena, with the gracious support of Frank Kline and Jay Ferguson (UCLA '94), Partners, **Kline Hawkes**. On September 30th, Kline Hawkes hosted a reception at the Marina Del Rey Ritz-Carlton where Toigo had the opportunity to expand its network of contacts and give an update on the Foundation's progress. Members of the Toigo Board attending the reception included Marcos Rodriguez, Managing Member, **Palladium Equity Partners, LLC**, and Robert Aguallo, Executive Director, **Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System**. The evening opened with remarks by Fred R. Buenrostro, Jr., CEO of **California Public Employees' Retirement System**, and a long-time supporter of Toigo. Shelley Smith of the **City of Los Angeles** (and a former Toigo Mentor), along with Frank Fernandez of the **Florida State Board of Administration** were also in attendance to enjoy the beautiful Marina del Rey surroundings and meet several Toigo Alumni currently working in the private equity sector. The Foundation plans to create more outreach and networking opportunities throughout the upcoming year, providing a platform for the Foundation to share more knowledge about its efforts with every sector of the finance industry.

We appreciate the attendance of Toigo Alumni Lester Hollis (Columbia '98), **Bivium Capital Partners**; Tarrus Richardson (Harvard '96), **ICV Capital Partners**; Chris Graham (Wharton '98), **Salomon Smith Barney**; Sam Jones (Harvard '97), **Centurion/MGT Partners**; Jose Feliciano (Stanford '99), **Tennenbaum Capital Partners**; and Fidel Vargas (Harvard '99), **Reliant Equity Partners**.