

# MMA INVESTMENT RETREAT 2026

WHERE FINANCIAL OPPORTUNITY BEGINS

MAY 20-25, 2026  
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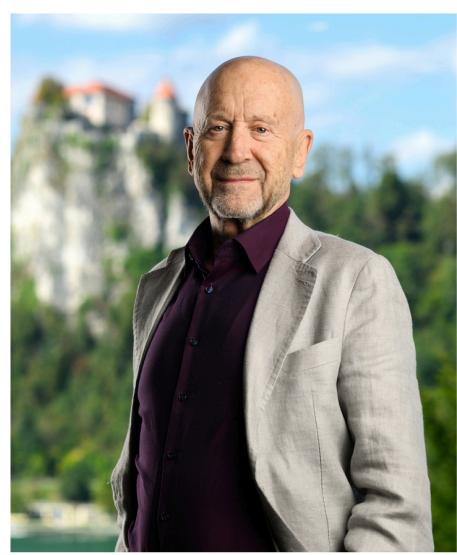
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**RAYMOND MERRIMAN**



**WIEBKE HELD**

## THE EXTRA EDGE

MMA is excited to offer its **2026 Trader's Retreat**, May 20-24, 2026, in beautiful Lake Bled, Slovenia. This retreat is designed for independent investors and especially traders who are seeking that “extra edge” identifying short- and intermediate-term trading opportunities in financial and commodity markets as they prepare to end – and then begin - new primary cycles that will be coming due in the six months following the MMA Retreat.

Many financial markets are already in the time band for their longer-term cycle crests and troughs, such as the 18-year stock market cycle. When both a longer-term cycle crest and trough are due, markets will oftentimes exhibit more cyclical distortions in the shorter-term cycles.

Our strategy then shifts from an investment psychology to a trading psychology until the criteria for a long-term cycle low are being met. Hence this year's MMA Retreat will focus on the primary cycle of various markets, but always with an eye on the longer-term investment cycles if and when the anticipated decline is well underway.

The MMA Investment Retreat is headed by Raymond Merriman, founder of the Merriman Market Analyst, Inc. in 1983, located in Scottsdale, Arizona (USA). Co-hosting this special event will be MMTA Director and MMA Technology Analyst Wiebke Held (Germany).

# WHERE & WHEN TO INVEST?

This year's MMA Trading Retreat will cover a range of trading strategies to implement in the weeks that will follow. It is designed to enlighten the participant as to which markets represent the next opportunities, based on current and original research studies that will be shared.

Strategies for how and when to scale in positions according to price targets, specific chart patterns, technical studies, and market timing signals (cycles and geocosmics) ahead will be addressed.

The faculty will include:

- **MMA President and Agricultural Analyst Wyatt Fellows (USA)**
- **MMA Crude Oil and Silver Analyst Pouyan Zolfagharnia (United Kingdom)**
- **MMA Currency Analyst Ulric Aspegrén (Switzerland)**
- **MMA Financials Analyst and former MMTA Director Gianni Di Poce (USA)**
- **MMA Trading Psychological Coach Rita Perea (USA).**

The markets that will be covered for trading opportunities include Stock Indices, Gold, Silver, Crude Oil, Soybeans, U.S. Dollar vis-à-vis the Japanese Yen and Euro, and more.

In addition, each day will end with a unique world view based on original geocosmic research studies by our special guest speakers and internationally renowned Mundane Astrologers:

- **Christof Niederwieser (Germany)**
- **Christeen Skinner (United Kingdom)**
- **Claude Weiss (Switzerland).**



# SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKERS



**DR. CHRISTOF  
NIEDERWIESER**  
GERMANY



**CHRISTEEN  
SKINNER**  
LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM



**CLAUDE  
WEISS**  
ZURICH, SWITZERLAND

## GUEST SPEAKER PRESENTATIONS

**Thursday, May 21:**

### **Dr. Christof Niederwieser; The World in 2025-2030**

A huge paradigm shift took place in 2020. We transformed from the old Earth Age of the capitalistic consumer society (1800-2020) into the new Air Age (2020-2150). This brings a radical new thinking, the revaluation of all values. Old keys of success don't work anymore, especially in the fields of business and investment. How will our societies change between the maelstroms of economic wars, government failure and the dominance of AI? The acceleration phase of the Air Age has started. How will it transform the world until 2030?

**Friday, May 22:**

### **Christeen Skinner; Timing with the Planets**

Join Christeen for a 45-minute presentation exploring practical techniques in astrological timing:

- Learn how to use close-of-day charts and identify when planets become angular across different locations.
- Unlock the secrets of Mercury's 88-day cycle and how it can guide your planning.
- See how to forecast the week ahead using lunar phases, aspects, apogee, and perigee.

This session is designed to give you hands-on examples.

# GUEST SPEAKER PRESENTATIONS

**Friday, May 22:**

**Claude Weiss; The Fascinating Horoscope of Mankind: Potential Global Changes in the US, Russia, Western Europe and China from 2026 - 2032**

Explore the planetary dynamics unfolding between now and the 2032 Saturn–Uranus conjunction. During this period, we will navigate a solar minimum alongside a Saturn–Chiron conjunction, with Pluto forming challenging angles to both. These cosmic alignments raise pressing questions about global stability, including potential threats to food security and the possibility of another pandemic. Studying the eclipses leading up to 2032, we can identify which nations and industries may thrive, and which could face significant challenges. Where should our investment focus lie? Special attention will be given to risks and opportunities in South America and Europe.

**2026 2027 2028 2029 2031 2032**

## GUEST SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

**Dr. Christoff Niederwieser; Germany**

**Special Guest Speaker**

Dr Christof Niederwieser holds a PhD in 'International Economics' and has written an academic book series on prognostics. After years in the music industry he founded AstroMANAGEMENT in 2013, a company for Astrological Business Consulting in the fields of strategy, branding and human resources.

With CHRONLEX® he develops algorithms for horoscope interpretation and an innovative cloud software for astrology. This features novel techniques such as the Group Horoscope and the Prognoscope, that allow to combine a multitude of horoscopes and forecasting methods. His videos on mundane astrology have attracted more than 6 million views on YouTube.

website: [www.astrologie.de/en](http://www.astrologie.de/en)

**Thursday Lecture | The World In 2025 - 2030**



# GUEST SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

## Christeen Skinner; United Kingdom

### Special Guest Speaker

Christeen Skinner has been an astrologer for more than 30 years, and she has been studying planetary pictures since the age of nine. In particular, she is fascinated by the correlation between planetary formations and events on earth. It is extremely rewarding for her to measure the apparent correlation between these pictures and the financial markets.

She is a well-respected key player on the astrology speaking circuit who focuses on financial and business matters. *The Financial Universe* was published in 2004 and *Exploring the Financial Universe* in 2016. *The Beginners Guide to the Financial Universe* was released in March 2017 and followed by *Navigating the Financial Universe* published in August 2019. In this book, she predicted that there would be a pandemic in 2020.

website: [www.financialuniverse.co.uk/](http://www.financialuniverse.co.uk/)

**Friday Lecture | Timing with the Planets**

**Sunday Lecture | Global Outlook for 2026-2030**



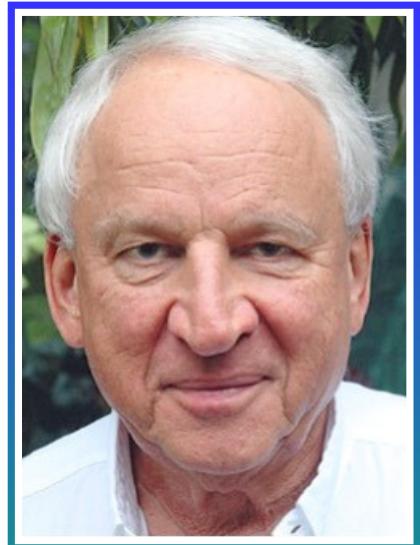
## Claude Weiss; Zurich, Switzerland

### Special Guest Speaker

An engineer by profession Claude Weiss has practiced astrology for more than 50 years. He is president of Astrodata Ltd. and author of a dozen Astrology books. A frequent speaker at Astrology Congresses he is publisher of the Astrological Magazine *Astrologie Heute* and president of SFER, a well known Astrology School in Switzerland. He has co-organized eight Astrology World Congresses in Switzerland and was, until 2019, president of the Swiss Astrological Association (SAB). He is an experienced and well known mundane astrologer with special interest for economic cycles and Financial Astrology.

website: <https://www.sfer.ch/team/clause-weiss>

**Friday Lecture | The Fascinating Horoscope of Mankind: Potential Global Changes in the US, Russia, Western Europe and China from 2026 - 2032**





# RIKLI BALANCE HOTEL



The location is the Rikli Balance Hotel overlooking the breathtaking beauty of Lake Bled, one of the most stunning locations on Earth.

The hotel itself is very attractive with modern and spacious rooms overlooking Lake Bled and the park that surrounds it.

Rooms start at 176€, with approximately 3-4€ in supplemental hotel charges per day. MMA attendees will receive the special discounted rate for overnight accommodations until April 1, or until the MMA allotment of rooms are filled.

A **LIMITED** number of rooms are reserved for our group available 5/19 - 5/26/2026.

Reserve now before rooms sell out (as they did in 2024).

To reserve your room at the special MMA rate, you must use the special MMA hotel code and link as follows:

**PLEASE BOOK YOUR ROOM THROUGH THE DIRECT LINK TO ON-LINE BOOKING:**

## **RESERVATION LINK**

In case you have trouble with on-line booking, you can contact the Hotel booking department for assistance: When contacting the booking department please note the **EVENT REFERENCE CODE: 42972**

E: [booking.eventsbled@sava.si](mailto:booking.eventsbled@sava.si)

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# RETREAT SCHEDULE OVERVIEW

## MAY 20 - 24, 2026

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 20 - ARRIVAL AND RECEPTION

7:00PM | MEET AND GREET RECEPTION - HOTEL LOBBY

### THURSDAY, MAY 21 - TECHNIQUES & TRADING SET UPS PART 1

9:30AM - 6:30PM | SHORT-TERM TRADING CYCLES, CRITICAL REVERSAL DATES (CRDS) AND SOLAR-LUNAR WEIGHTED VALUES

### FRIDAY, MAY 22 - TECHNIQUES & TRADING SET UPS PART 2

9:30AM - 6:30PM | MERCURY CYCLES, LUNAR RHYTHM CYCLES, SUN-MOON CORRELATIONS FOR SHORT-TERM TRADING IN GOLD / NASDAQ / DJIA / BITCOIN, AND TIMING USING INTRADAY CHARTS

### SATURDAY, MAY 23 - MARKET FORECASTING AND WEEKLY PLAN FOR TRADERS

9:30AM - 1:00PM | DJIA, NASDAQ, GOLD, SILVER AND PUTTING IT ALL TOGETHER FOR A DAILY TRADING PLAN

### SUNDAY, MAY 24 - MARKET FORECASTING AND WEEKLY PLAN FOR TRADERS

9:30AM - 4:45PM | EURO VERSUS DOLLAR, BITCOIN AND CRYPTOS, SOYBEANS, TRADING PSYCHOLOGY, MARKET OUTLOOK AND TRADING PLAN

7:30PM | SPECIAL BANQUET AT HISTORIC LAKE BLED CASTLE

MORE INFORMATION AT [WWW.BLEJSKI-GRAD.SI/EN/](http://WWW.BLEJSKI-GRAD.SI/EN/)

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# RETREAT SCHEDULE DAILY

## THURSDAY MAY 21: TECHNIQUES & TRADING SET UPS PART 1

9:30am	Welcome to the MMA 2026 Trading Retreat	Raymond Merriman
9:45am	Introduction, Greeting, and Announcements	Wiebke Held
10:15am	Introduction to Cycles Terminology and Principles for this Event	Wyatt Fellows
10:45am	Trading Cycles' Layers (Primary, half-primary, major, minor)	Gianni Di Poce
11:15am	Morning Break	
11:45am	CRDs Review: How to Calculate, How to Use	Pouyan Zolfagharnia
12:30pm	Introduction to Solar-Lunar Weighted Values and Isolated Lows/Highs	Wiebke Held Raymond Merriman
1-2:15pm	LUNCH BREAK	
2:30pm	Computing Solar/Lunar Weighted Value Scores to Measure Reversals, Crests and Trough Correlations (as used in the MMA App)	Wiebke Held
3:15pm	Determining Solar-Lunar Combinations as Trading Reversal Signatures	Wiebke Held
3:50pm	Trading U.S. Stock Market Opening – Interactive Discussion	Raymond Merriman Pouyan Zolfagharnia
4:15pm	Afternoon Break	
4:45pm	THE WORLD IN 2025-2030	Dr. Christof Niederwieser
5:40pm	Round Table Discussion with Christof, Claude, Gianni, and Pouyan with Ray Emcee.	Round Table Discussion
6:30pm	Closing and Summary Day 1	Wiebke Held
7:30pm	DINNER RIKLI BALANCE HOTEL	ALL

# RETREAT SCHEDULE DAILY

## FRIDAY MAY 22: TECHNIQUES & TRADING SET UPS PART 2

9:30am	Greeting, Announcements, and Daily Preview	Wiebke Held
9:35am	<b>TIMING WITH THE PLANETS: UNLOCKING THE SECRETS OF MERCURY'S 88-DAY CYCLE</b>	Christeen Skinner
10:45am	<b>Sun-Moon Correlations for Short-Term Trading Reversals in Gold</b>	Wyatt Fellows
11:15am	<b>Morning Break</b>	
11:45am	<b>Sun-Moon Correlations for Short-Term Trading Reversals in NASDAQ &amp; DJIA</b>	Wiebke Held
12:20pm	<b>The Trading Setup for Optimal Use of Solar-Lunar Reversals in Stocks, Metals, and Bitcoin</b>	Raymond Merriman
1-2:15pm	<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>	
2:30pm	<b>Enhanced Timing Using Intraday Charts: 60-, 30-, and 5-Minute Charts</b>	Wiebke Held Raymond Merriman
3:20pm	<b>Trading the U.S. Stock Market Opening – Interactive Discussion</b>	Raymond Merriman Pouyan Zolfagharnia
4:15pm	<b>Afternoon Break</b>	
4:45pm	<b>THE FASCINATING HOROSCOPE OF MANKIND: POTENTIAL GLOBAL CHANGES IN THE US, RUSSIA, WESTERN EUROPE, AND CHINA FROM 2026 – 2032</b>	Claude Weiss
5:35pm	<b>Round Table Discussion with Christof, Christeen, and Pouyan with Gianni Emcee.</b>	Round Table Discussion
6:30pm	<b>Closing and Summary Day 2</b>	Wiebke Held
7:30pm	<b>DINNER RIKLI BALANCE HOTEL</b>	ALL

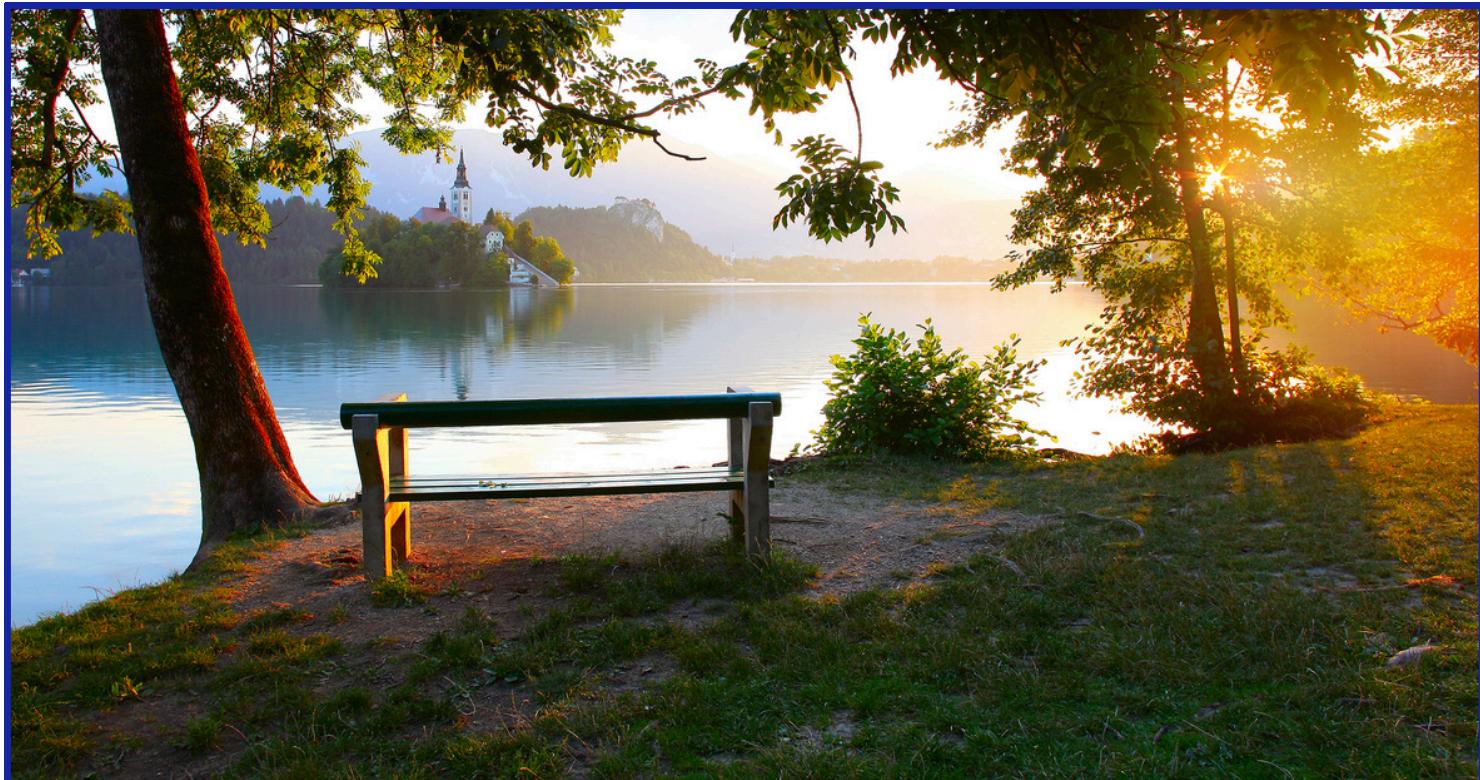
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## SATURDAY MAY 23: MARKET FORECASTING AND WEEKLY PLAN FOR TRADERS

9:30am	Greeting, Announcements, and Daily Preview	Wiebke Held
9:40am	Stock Market - DJIA	Gianni Di Poce
10:15am	NASDAQ	Wiebke Held
10:45am	Gold	Wyatt Fellows
11:15am	Morning Break	
11:45am	Silver	Pouyan Zolfagharnia
12:10pm	<b>Putting it All Together: Develop a Daily Plan with Cycles, CRD's, Solar-Lunar Studies, and Intraday Charts</b>	Wiebke Held Raymond Merriman
1:00pm	<b>BREAK FOR THE DAY</b>	

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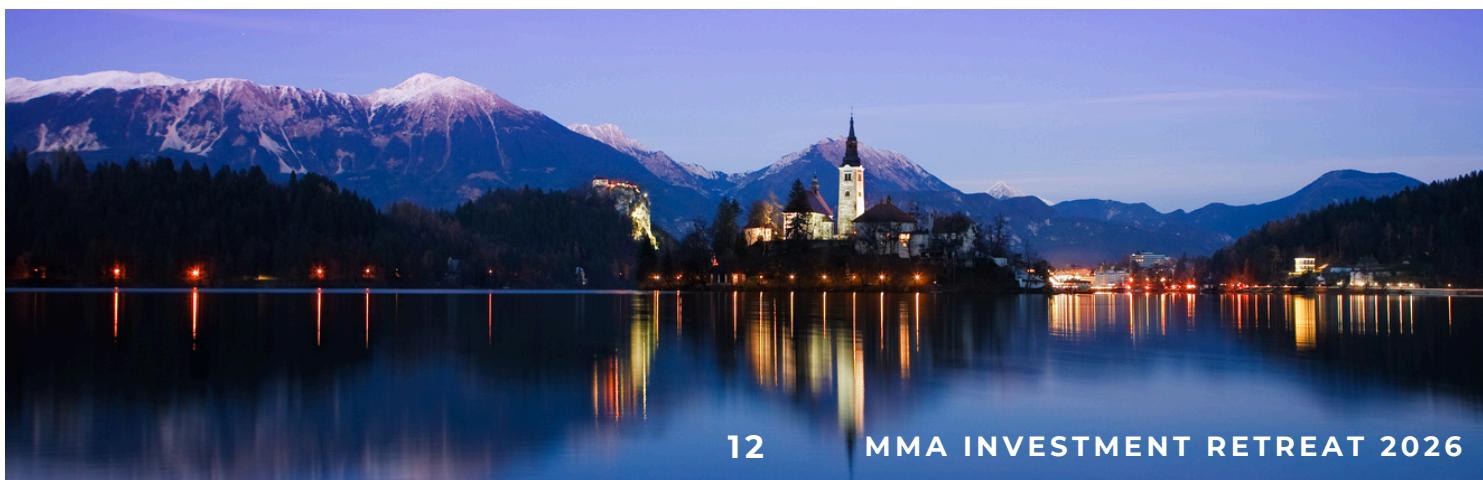


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## SUNDAY, MAY 24: MARKET FORECASTING AND WEEKLY PLAN FOR TRADERS

9:30am	Greeting, Announcements, and Daily Preview	Wiebke Held
9:40am	Outlook for Trading/Investing in Euro vs US Dollar	Ulric Aspegrén
10:30am	Outlook for Trading Bitcoin & Cryptos - Astrology	Pouyan Zolfagharnia Gianni Di Poce
11:15am	<b>Morning Break</b>	
11:45am	Outlook for Trading Soybeans	Wyatt Fellows
12:15pm	<b>The Final Edge: Psychological Mastery Across Market Cycles</b>	Rita Perea
1:00pm	<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>	
2:30pm	<b>GLOBAL OUTLOOK FOR 2026-2030</b>	Christeen Skinner
3:30pm	Market Outlook and Trading Plan Review for Next Week with Ulric, Gianni, Pouyan, Wyatt, Wiebke and Ray Emcee	MMA Analysts
4:15pm	<b>Afternoon Break</b>	
4:45pm	<b>Closing and Review of MMA 2026 Trading Retreat</b>	Wiebke Held
7:30pm	<b>Spectacular End-of-Retreat Banquet at Historic Lake Bled Castle</b>	ALL

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# MMA SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

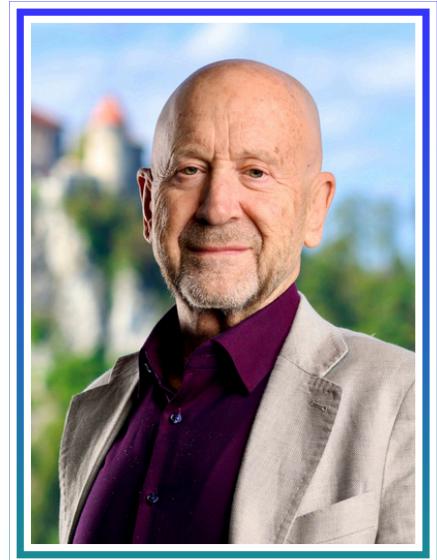
## Raymond Merriman; United States

### MMA CEO and MMTA Founder

Raymond A. Merriman is the CEO and founder of The Merriman Market Analyst, Inc. and also founder of the Merriman Market Timing Academy. He is a Commodities Trading Advisor (CTA), financial market analyst, and author of several books on the correlation of cycles and geocosmics studies to financial markets.

In 2013, he created MMTA, the Merriman Market Timing Academy, a two-year training course in Merriman's market timing methodology. At present, several of the MMTA graduates are now market analysts with MMA, analyzing various financial and commodity markets for traders and investors worldwide.

Merriman is the author of several books on Financial Market Timing, including the series *The Ultimate Book on Stock Market Timing, Volumes 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5* (1997-2012); *The Gold Book: Geocosmic Correlations to Gold Price Cycles* (1982); *The Sun, Moon, and Silver Market* (2006); *Solar/Lunar Correlations to Gold Price Reversals: Secrets of a Gold Trader* (2015); and the annual *Forecast* book (since 1976), which outlines his projections a year ahead of time for financial markets, the world economy, and political trends.



## Wiebke Held; Germany

### MMA Technology Analyst and MMTA Director

Wiebke is a financial market timer and trader specializing in cycle-based market analysis. Born in Germany, she earned a Master of Science degree in Business from the University of Amsterdam, laying the groundwork for a career centered on systems thinking, data-driven analysis, and strategic execution.

She is a top graduate of the Merriman Market Timing Academy (MMTA) and now serves as Program Director of the Academy, where she leads the current MMTA4 program.

Wiebke is also the author of the *MMA Monthly Tech Report*, in which she publishes her Nasdaq research, including proprietary Nasdaq-specific Critical Reversal Dates (CRDs), based on over 45 years of historical market data.



**Ray and Wiebke are lecturing and co-hosting at the retreat daily.**

# MMA SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

## Ulric Aspegrén; Switzerland

### MMA Currency Analyst

Ulric is a top graduate of Merriman's first MMTA program. He is a market-timing analyst focused on currencies and covers the Euro for the monthly *MMA Monthly Cycles Report*. Born in Sweden, but raised in Switzerland, he holds electrical engineering and computer science degrees from the University of Colorado. After 21 years, he left the corporate world for financial trading.

**Sunday Lecture | Outlook for Trading/Investing in Euro vs US Dollar**



## Gianni Di Poce; USA

### MMA Financials Analyst and Former MMTA Director

Gianni Di Poce is an advisor for the Merriman Market Timing Academy (MMTA) and an MMA analyst covering a span of diverse markets. Gianni reports on stocks, cryptocurrencies, the Japanese Nikkei, the Japanese Yen, the Zurich SMI, and the Shanghai Composite for MMA. He is frequently featured in MMA Webinars, our annual *Forecast* book, and is lead editor of *MMA's Daily and Weekly Reports*. Gianni joined MMA in 2018, and has used MMA's methods since 2016. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Economics, served as a financial adviser for 5 years, and has over 14 years of real investment and trading experience.

**Thursday Lecture | Trading Cycles' Layers (Primary, half-primary, major, minor)**

**Saturday Lecture | Market Forecasting & Weekly Plan: DJIA**

**Sunday Lecture | Outlook for Trading Bitcoin and Cryptos – Astro**



# MMA SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

## Wyatt Fellows; United States

### MMA President and Agricultural Analyst

Wyatt Fellows is MMA President and the MMA Agriculture Analyst. He is the editor of the *MMA Monthly Grain Report*, covering Soybeans, Corn, and Wheat. A graduate of the MMTA2 program, Wyatt also covers Gold for the *MMA Monthly Cycles Report* and the annual *Forecast* Book. He is passionate about commodity trading with 20+ years of agricultural trading experience. Wyatt is the president and owner of a multi-generational family farm in Wisconsin producing Corn, Wheat, Soybeans, and Livestock.

**Thursday Lecture | Introduction to Cycles Terminology and Principles for this Event**

**Friday Lecture | Sun-Moon Correlations for Short-Term Trading Reversals in Gold**

**Saturday Lecture | Market Forecasting & Weekly Plan – Gold**

**Sunday Lecture | Outlook for Trading Soybeans**



## Rita Perea; United States

### MMA Trading Psychological Coach

Rita Perea is a globally recognized authority in Financial Psychology, with over 25 years of experience advising traders, investors, and high-performing business leaders. A PhD researcher in Financial Psychology, Certified Financial Behavior Specialist, and graduate of the Merriman Market Timing Academy, Rita works at the intersection of market cycles, behavioral finance, and emotional mastery. She is the founder of the Academy of Financial Psychology, where she helps traders strengthen decision-making under pressure, regulate stress across market cycles, and build enduring performance. Rita is a sought-after speaker at international financial gatherings, known for transforming psychological insight into measurable trading advantage.

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**Sunday Lecture | The Final Edge: Psychological Mastery Across Market Cycles**



# MMA SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

## Pouyan Zolfagharnia; United Kingdom

### MMA Crude Oil and Silver Analyst

Pouyan Zolfagharnia, ACA, was born in Iran in 1982 and is currently living in Cardiff, United Kingdom. His journey into the realm of Persian Astrology began in 2012, when he discovered a profound interest in Mundane and Financial Astrology. In 2021, Pouyan had the unique opportunity to learn from esteemed mentors, Raymond Merriman and Gianni Di Poce, as part of the Merriman Market Timing Academy (MMTA). Presently, Pouyan serves as a Merriman Market Analyst and Commodity Trader, dedicating countless hours to the meticulous study of cycles within the Financial and Geo-Political arenas. His commitment to understanding these cycles stems from a belief that by comprehending the harmonies and balances inherent in the Macrocosm, one can gain profound insights into what may seem like a chaotic world.



#### Thursday Lectures |

- CRDs Review: How to Calculate, How to Use
- U.S. Stock Market Opening – Interactive Discussion

#### Friday Lecture | Trading U.S. Stock Market Opening – Interactive Discussion

#### Saturday Lecture | Market Forecasting & Weekly Plan – Silver

#### Sunday Lecture | Outlook for Trading Bitcoin and Cryptos – Astro



# MMA INVESTMENT RETREAT 2026



FOR AN UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE WITH LIKE-MINDED INVESTORS AND TRADERS INTERESTED IN THE CORRELATION OF CYCLE AND GEOCOSMIC STUDIES TO FINANCIAL MARKETS, THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY NOT TO BE MISSED!

## REGISTRATION & FAQS

The cost for this retreat is \$3,900 USD with discounts available for early registration. Discounts for early reservations: \$3300 if registered before March 1, 2026. \$3600 if registered before April 1. Call us now at 800-662-3349 or email us at [customerservice@mmacycles.com](mailto:customerservice@mmacycles.com) or visit our website at [MMA RETREAT 2026](#) to register for this one-of-a-kind special event.

The event fee is the same for in-person or online participation and does not include your hotel accommodations. A spouse, partner, child, etc., may also attend the classes in person or via Zoom for an additional \$750.

### What is covered for attending the event onsite in-person?

- Wednesday night welcome reception.
- 4 breakfasts, 3 lunches, plus daily snack and coffee breaks.
- 3 dinners including the special Sunday Night Banquet at the stunning Castle on Lake Bled (pictured above).
- Plus ALL attendees will have access to video recordings of the daily presentations.

### What if I can't make it to the live event? Can I join the Retreat online?

- Yes, we will make the presentations available online via Zoom.
- Online attendees will also have access to ALL recordings after the event is over as some may not be able to stay online live from 9:30am to 6:30pm Central European Time (six hours earlier than Eastern Standard Time of the U.S.).