



## **Steven Fisher**

**CEO and Chairman of the Board**

**Citibank**

### **Biography**

Steven is American, originally from New York. He currently serves as Member of the Board of ACC. Steven Arrived in Kyiv in April 2010. He joined Citibank in 1983 and has completed a series of leadership roles in banking in both the OECD and the emerging markets of Asia and C.I.S./Eastern Europe. Citi is a full corporate and investment bank in Ukraine and plays an active role in supporting all sectors of the Ukrainian economy and proudly serves both local and international corporations. Before moving to Kyiv, Steven acted as Citi's Corporate Bank Head for the Cluster comprising Russia, Ukraine and Kazakhstan, based in Moscow. Steven was Citi's Head of Structured Trade Finance for Europe, Middle East and Africa, based in London, in 1999-2002. He served as Regional Corporate Finance and Investment Banking Head for Central Europe, based in Prague, from 1997-1999. Steven Worked in Asia with Citi for 10 years prior to moving to Europe. Steven has a B.A. from Cornell University, New York and M.S. degree in Foreign Service from Georgetown University in Washington D.C. His foreign language proficiencies are well known – he speaks fluent Russian and Chinese as well as Japanese, Thai and Spanish. In addition to his Chairman of the Board of directors role in 2016 and 7 years of Board membership in ACC, Steven served as the Chairman of the Board of the Forum of Leading International Financial Institutions ("FLIFI"), an organization founded under the umbrella of ACC in Ukraine, for 2 years in 2013-2014

**Why do you think Membership in the American Chamber of Commerce in Ukraine is important for business operating in Ukraine?**

I believe it is important to promote actions and dialogues within both the public and private sectors to improve the investment, governance and rule of law environment in Ukraine. The ACC is the ideal forum for members to help each other in terms of dissemination of information and good practices, and interact with government authorities to promote and secure vital policy, legal and regulatory changes that can support this goal!

**What motivates you to be a Chamber Board Member?**

ACC is a vibrant, important, well connected and relevant organization with a very important mission to support investment, business development and the rights of companies and investors in Ukraine. My company, just as yours, is committed to take actions to improve the business environment in Ukraine and ACC plays an important role in consolidating and promoting these efforts. I wish to be part of the ACC leadership that drives this important focus and commit the required energy and dedication.

**Why do you feel you are qualified to serve on the Chamber Board?  
What skills would you bring to the Board?**

I have served on the Board of ACC in both Russia and Ukraine for many years and I am also currently the Chairman of the Board of ACC. Additionally, I served for 2 years as the Chairman of the Forum of Leading International Financial Institutions ("FLIFI") which has extensive and very frequent interface with all levels of the Ukrainian government as well as the international business and diplomatic community. I am an experienced board member and manager of my company and have extensive public and private sector contacts that I have brought to bear to pursue issues of importance to ACC and its membership. I always strive to be an open, energetic, approachable and forward thinking member of ACC and within our community.

**How have you been active in the Chamber over the course of the last two years?**

In addition to my work in ACC's Membership Committee and in attracting new members to ACC, I have presented on relevant topics to the Banking & Financial Services Committee, and participated and supported many other ACC activities where I have worked with many of our members in formal and informal settings. With my support, Citibank has also organizationally supported ACC by contributing as a sponsor to many important ACC events in Ukraine as well as supporting ACC initiatives and strategic directions valuable to ACC outside of Ukraine, for example, recent visits by former U.S. Secretary of Commerce Penny Pritzker's visits to Ukraine, most recently in September 2016, OPIC's new President Ray Washburne and others.

**What activity or Committee would you participate in and be responsible for?**

I plan to continue to work on the Membership and Banking & Financial Services committees, and with my long background in finance, support ACC's budgetary work, as well as continue my contributions to the ACC sponsored Forum of Leading International Institutions ("FLIFI").