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Ms. Donald is managing director, global chief economist & global head of the macroeconomic and strategy team within the multi-asset solutions team (MAST) at Manulife Investment Management. The multi-asset solutions team is tasked with the design, delivery and management of bespoke cross-asset class investment solutions that include pension and retirement solutions, risk management- and outcome-oriented solutions, and multi-manager portfolios including both public and private assets. Solutions may be absolute return, peer- or benchmark-relative and are delivered in many formats including mutual fund (including fund-of-fund), pooled, segregated and customized. In her role, Ms. Donald forecasts global macroeconomic and financial trends, analyzes the economy and capital markets for potential opportunities and risks, and serves as a thought leader both within the firm and externally. As a senior member of MAST, she coordinates global macro research, assists in the team's return forecasting process, and contributes to portfolio positioning views. She's a frequent public speaker and regularly appears in international media, including Bloomberg and CNBC. Prior to joining Manulife, Ms. Donald worked as a financial economist for Scotiabank in Toronto, and before that as a global macro analyst for Pavilion Global Markets in Montreal. Earlier in her career, she held various positions at Deloitte, Roubini Global Economics, and Bank of Canada. Ms. Donald earned a B.A. degree (Honours) in economics from Queen's University and a master's degree in economics from New York University.