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# **About the Authors**

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Table 1: The authors of the Response to the Federal Reserve Discussion Paper

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Table 2: The Contributors helping formulate a Response to the Federal Reserve **White Paper** The OMG Members that have contributed to the Response are: 22:18

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×	Lars Toomre	BRC FinTech Corporation ("BRCF")	Lars Toomre is BRC FinTech's lead geek and leads the corporate team of BRC FinTech Corporation ("BRCF") and its subsidiary, Brass Rat Capital LLC ("BRC") both from Palm Beach County, Florida. Lars has had many pratfalls (and a "wee bit" of experience) as he has focused his professional career on uniquely adding value to financial firms and their business units. Lars organizes and helps teams to optimize Economic Value Added ("EVA") and serves as a thought leader and trusted advisor for issues that involve ontologies (think "semantic" meaning of data objects), valuations, analytics, risk, technology, and financial data.

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