



Bulletin

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Dear Daniela ,

We have an exciting few months ahead! From upcoming legal developments in the field of digitalisation on a European level to legal privilege on a national level, lawyers must be vigilant and alert. In addition, our upcoming activities, whether it is one of our upcoming conferences, discussion roundtables, or certification courses, are sure to provide the highest value for European corporate lawyers that one can find. Feedback is always greatly appreciated - get in touch with us to discuss more!

LD. legal DISRUPTION 2023



Legal Disruption: 15-16 May in Paris

We are thrilled to invite you to the must-attend legal conference of the year in Paris on 15-16 May, where the present and the future of corporate lawyers takes center stage! Join industry-leading experts and legal innovators as they discuss the most pressing issues and opportunities for European lawyers in 2023.

The agenda is packed with captivating sessions, including:

- ✓ Digital transformation and legal innovation
- ✓ Legal disruption and the evolving role of corporate lawyers
- ✓ Contemporary legal challenges in the Metaverse, ESG, AI, and more!

Registration to the event is free for in-house counsel!

→ [Registration can be done by clicking the link here.](#)

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ROUNDTABLE

General Counsel Roundtable series

For General Counsel and Heads of Legal Departments, our two upcoming online Roundtables, 11 May on M&A Trends and 7 June on Foreign Direct Investments (FDI).

Furthermore, our fifth iteration of our Rome Antitrust Roundtable will take place at the end of June. Highly impactful and always exciting - we are delighted to return to Rome!

- 11 May (Online): M&A Trends
- 7 June (Online): Foreign Direct Investments (FDI)
- 29-30 June (Rome, Italy): Antitrust and Competition Law
 - Venue: Rome Cavalieri Waldorf Astoria

→ [Registration can be done by clicking the link here.](#)

ECLA 40th Anniversary Conference

This year, ECLA is proud to celebrate its 40th anniversary!

We are happy to invite everyone to celebrate with us in Frankfurt, Germany, at the Hotel Meliá Frankfurt City. As of today, we have opened registrations and have put together a framework overview of the event for you to understand what topics will be discussed. Ultimately, the event is about **time** - where will the profession be when ECLA celebrates its 100th anniversary? What about the 50th, a decade from now? What about now, as we are celebrating our 40th? Technology is evolving, our roles are evolving, our expertise is evolving. We are not static.

If you would like to join us as a speaker, please get in touch with us (e.g. by replying to this email)! We are always looking for passionate lawyers of all seniorities who want to utilise the ECLA platform for sharing their own expertise and thoughts.

→ [Registration can be done by clicking the link here.](#)



Get yourself and your colleagues certified!

We are also running several certification courses in 2023. The courses are tailored for the activities and challenges that company lawyers in Europe must address and are ideal for enhancing your legal skills with high efficiency and convenience.

- 23 May (One-day crash course) OR 27 June - Drafting International Contracts
- 12 June (One-day crash course) - Legal English for Negotiation

For more information and to register, please click the link below.

→ [Learn more](#)

Let us know your thoughts!

A network is only as strong as the enthusiasm of its members. For that purpose, we would like to strongly encourage company lawyers to utilise our platform fully. Whether it is about a recent (inter)national legal/regulatory development, or about the evolving role of the profession, or about other challenges that lawyers must tackle, from ESG to AI - get it touch with us and share our thoughts with your peers!

→ [Get in touch!](#)

The Digital Services Act: A New Era for Online Platforms and Search Engines

On 29 March 2023, the European Commissioner for Justice Didier Reynders presented a proposal for a Directive aimed at upgrading digital company law in the EU. The proposal's main goals include improving transparency, fostering trust, and reducing the administrative burden for companies, particularly SMEs, engaged in cross-border activities within the EU.

→ [Learn more](#)

I would like to personally thank everyone who has supported our network. We hope to continue the fascinating dialogue that we have had on the evolving profession and the challenges that await. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to get in touch with us!

Kind regards



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