The UK, Switzerland, Norway and the EU: cross-border business relations after Brexit

Trade and Services – Corporate – Insolvency – Dispute Resolution

Brexit raises fundamental questions and creates legal uncertainty in cross-border commercial relations between British, EU, Norwegian and Swiss companies. At the same time, third States like Switzerland and Norway have a role model function for the future relations between the UK and the European Union. It is of common interest to avoid frictions in economic relations between the UK and its neighbouring States, with whose economies it is closely intertwined and to continue close cooperation, including in civil justice matters. To achieve this goal is an important challenge for lawyers and policy makers across Europe. This conference is intended as a forum for exchange and debate on questions that are relevant from a business point of view. It covers the areas of Trade and Services, Cross-border Company Law, Insolvencies and Dispute Resolution and reunites practitioners and academics from the UK, Switzerland, Norway and EU Member States.

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Programme

Welcome: Eva Lein

13h30 – 15h00 Panel 1: Trade and Services
Chair: Spyros Maniatis, BIICL / Queen Mary University of London
• Andreas Ziegler, UNIL
• Thomas Sebastian, Monckton Chambers
• Kaja Sandvig, DLA Piper, Oslo
• Federico Ortino, King’s College London / Clifford Chance

15h00 – 15h15 Coffee Break

15h15 – 16h45 Panel 2: Company Law and Insolvencies
Chair: Adam Johnson QC, Herbert Smith Freehills
• Stefania Bariatti, University of Milan
• Rodrigo Rodriguez, University of Lucerne
• John Whiteoak, Herbert Smith Freehills, London
• Kern Alexander, University of Zurich

16h45 – 17h00 Coffee Break

17h00 – 18h30 Panel 3: Dispute Resolution
Chair: Andrea Bonomi, UNIL
• Diana Wallis, former vice-President of the European Parliament / ELI
• Trevor Hartley, London School of Economics
• Benoît Arthur Mauron, Lalive
• Peter Arnt Nielsen, Copenhagen Business School
• Eva Lein, UNIL / BIICL

18h30 Reception

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• External academics £ 100 (ca 135 CHF)
• UNIL academics, UNIL students and BIICL members: free