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# 41st IBA International Financial Law Conference: Young Lawyers' Programme

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J&A Garrigues s.l.p, Madrid, Spain

## Working programme

All speaker materials and biographies can be found at [www.ibanet.org/conference-details/conf2760](http://www.ibanet.org/conference-details/conf2760)

1000 – 1745 **International Financial Law Young Lawyers programme**

*J&A Garrigues s.l.p*  
*Plaza de Colón, 2. 28046 Madrid*

1000 – 1100 **Welcome Coffee/tea**

1100 – 1110 **Opening Remarks**

*Speakers*

**Gaspar Atienza** *J&A Garrigues SLP, Madrid*

**Dirk Bliesener** *Hengeler Mueller, Frankfurt, Germany; Co-Chair, IBA Banking & Financial Law Committee*

1110 – 1245 **GenAI use in the legal markets: applications, use cases, benefits and challenges**

Legal GenAI applications present promising uses for lawyers and law firms. This roundtable seminar, which is open to all conference attendees, will explore the most promising use cases that exist or are developing in the legal markets, the risks and opportunities inherent in GenAI, data and confidentiality related policy issues and necessary guardrails, ethical duties of the legal profession in the use of GenAI, as well as tips and best practices for lawyers as they navigate this new environment.

*Session Co-Chairs*

**Daniel Karlsson** *Mannheimer Swartling, Stockholm; Vice Chair, AI Banking and Financial Subcommittee, IBA Banking & Financial Law Committee*

**Benjamin Leisinger** *Homburger AG, Zürich; Special Projects Officer, IBA Securities and Capital Markets Committee*

*Speakers*

**Maria Alonso Garcia** *Legora, Madrid*

**Anurag Bana** *Senior Project Lawyer, Legal Policy & Research Unit, International Bar Association, London*

**Gonzalo del Saz Albert** *Legal Engineer, Lagora, Madrid*

**Idoya Fernández** *Cuatrecasas, Madrid*

**Jose Luis Ortin Romero** *J&A Garrigues SLP, Madrid*

**Beatriz Rodriguez** *RocaJunyent, Madrid*

1245 – 1330 **Acquisition finance**

Market overview, case study of leading acquisition financing deal in Spain, and mock negotiation based on a private cross border acquisition in the regulated space.

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**Caroline Phillips** *Slaughter and May, London; Senior Vice Chair, IBA Banking & Financial Law Committee*

**Alexander Von Jeinsen** *Advestra, Zürich; Vice Chair, Conferences Subcommittee, IBA Securities and Capital Markets Committee*

*Keynote Speaker*

**Luis Casero Serrano** *Credit Agricole CIB, Madrid*

*In Conversation with*

**Luis Casero Serrano** *Credit Agricole CIB, Madrid*

**Luis Jimenez Lopez** *Uria Menendez, Madrid*

1330 – 1430 **Networking lunch**

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1430 – 1545 **Acquisition finance cont.**

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**Caroline Phillips** *Slaughter and May, London; Senior Vice Chair, IBA Banking & Financial Law Committee*

**Alexander Von Jeinsen** *Advestra, Zürich; Vice Chair, Conferences Subcommittee, IBA Securities and Capital Markets Committee*

*Negotiators*

**Gaspar Atienza** *J&A Garrigues SLP, Madrid*

**Alyssa K Caples** *Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP, London; Senior Vice Chair, IBA Securities and Capital Markets Committee*

**Xavier Foz** *RocaJunyent, Barcelona*

**Jürg Frick** *Homburger AG, Zürich; Co-Chair, IBA Financial and Banking Law Conferences Subcommittee, IBA Banking & Financial Law Committee*

**Shubhangi Garg** *Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co, New Delhi, Delhi; Co-Chair, Financial and Banking Law Conferences Subcommittee, IBA Banking & Financial Law Committee*

**Rein Van Helden** *Stibbe, London; Treasurer, IBA Banking & Financial Law Committee*

**Jose Felix Zaldivar de la Rica** *Uriá Menendez, Madrid*

1545 – 1600 **Coffee/tea break**

1600 – 1615 **Introduction to the IBA**

*Speakers*

**Arthur Davis** *Addisons, Sydney, New South Wales; Young Lawyers' Committee Liaison Officer, IBA Securities and Capital Markets Committee*

**Rosina Müller Bernar** *Red Nest, Madrid; Officer, IBA Young Lawyers' Committee*

**Lukasz Szegda** *Wardynski & Partners, Warsaw; Young Lawyers' Committee Liaison Officer, IBA Banking & Financial Law Committee*

1615 – 1745 **Cross-border skills seminar: From mastering cross-border transactions to building your international counsel network**

What skills do clients expect of cross-border lawyers? What are clients' expectations in multi-jurisdictional matters that involve multiple law firms or multiple offices of the same global firm? Whether working with foreign offices of the same global firm or retaining foreign counsel from independent local firms, creating a 'cross-border team' that will play seamlessly in the client's corner presents intrinsic challenges, running from lack of communication and proper understanding of cultural differences to lack of (or mis-) understanding of the legal position in the foreign jurisdiction. Building a reliable international counsel network is one of the keys to success in this endeavour. In this seminar, law firm practitioners and in-house counsel will lead the discussion of these topics, providing opportunities for active participation by the audience.

*Session Co-Chairs*

**Giorgio Bovenzi** *Haynes and Boone, New York, New York, USA; North American Regional Forum Liaison Officer, IBA Banking & Financial Law Committee*

**Kyung Hwa Moon** *Shin & Kim LLC, Seoul, South Korea; Newsletter Deputy, IBA Securities and Capital Markets Committee*

*Speakers*

**Toni Barios** *Cases & Lacambra Abogados, Barcelona*

**Daniel Gonzalez Pila** *J&A Garrigues S L P, Madrid*

**Fernando Minguez Hernandez** *Cuatrecasas, Madrid*

**Pablo Rodríguez Abelenda** *Ramón y Cajal, Madrid*

1800 – 2000 **Welcome reception**

*The Palace Hotel*

*7 Plaza de las Cortes, Madrid, 28014*

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