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Legal Challenges in the Context of Globalization & Protectionism
M&A, Corporate Law, White Collar Crimes and Dispute Resolutions

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Zermatt, Switzerland

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PROGRAMME

Zermatt “The Peak of Alpine Experience” is the perfect environment for an UIA winter seminar. **Share the magic! UIA Winter Seminars are known for their excellence.** “The brilliant thing is that you have discussions and you get into the details. This distinguishes the winter seminars from other seminars” a leading UIA officer praised. Being in a wonderful mountain resort refreshes the minds. Zermatt has the highest concentration of four thousand-meter Peaks Mountains in the Alps, glacial ice and adventure, fun and highs of all sorts. The Matterhorn (4,478 meters above sea level) is the most photographed mountain in the world for more than 150 years, its unique pyramidal shape has attracted mountain lovers from all over the world. The village of Zermatt has been free of regular cars since ever and offers a unique infrastructure. Skiing in Zermatt smashes every record: highest ski resort in Europe, snow certainty, two countries, 360 km of slopes in Switzerland and its Italian neighbor. The ski lifts go to the highest heights.

All the information relative to our seminars is available on our Website www.uianet.org (“UIA events – seminars” section). The topics, the speakers and the allocation of speakers to the topics are still subject to change.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2018

7:30 pm Informal Get-Together

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2018

6:00 pm Opening Reception & Opening Remarks

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2018

MODERATOR: Franz SCHUBIGER, *Pestalozzi Attorneys at Law, Zurich, Switzerland*

8:00 – 10:30 am

Recent Legal Trends and Developments in Cross-Border M&A

- Impacts of Foreign Investment Control on M&A

Avimukt DAR, *Indus Law Advocates, New Delhi, India*

Francisco SOLER CABALLERO, *J&A Garrigues L.L.P, Valencia, Spain*

Torsten ROSENBOOM, *Watson Farley & Williams LLP, Frankfurt, Germany*

- Foreign Investment Issues in the CEE – with an Outlook to Chinese Investments

Viktória SZILÁGYI, *Nagy és Trócsányi Ügyvédi Iroda, Budapest, Hungary*

- The Exon-Florio Amendment – The Power of the US-President to Block the Acquisition of US Companies by Foreigners – More Protectionism to be Expected?

Winfried F. SCHMITZ, *SCHMITZ Law Offices, New York, N.Y., USA*

5:00 – 8:00 pm

Shareholder Activism and M&A

- Investments in and Transactions with Emerging Growth Companies
- Impact of Shareholder Activism on M&A
- Strategies and Instruments of Shareholder Activists and Responses by Companies

Emanuel DETTWILER, *Kellerhals Carrard, Basel, Switzerland*

- Corporate Strategies in Responding to Shareholder Activism in M&A Transactions and Avoiding to Kill the Deal: a Checklist

Diego SALUZZO, *Grande Stevens Studio Legale Associato, Turin, Italy*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2018

MODERATOR: Yoshihisa HAYAKAWA, *Uryu & Itoga, Tokyo, Japan*

8:00 – 10:30 am

Legal Challenges for Cross-Border Investments

- Framework for Investments and Factors for Choice of Location

Cephas GALLEY, *Trumacef & Associates, Accra-North, Ghana*

- Structuring Foreign Investment in the USA

Jacob STEIN, *Aliant LLP, Los Angeles, C.A., USA*

- Recent Legislative Initiatives and Reforms

- M&A in Italy upon Creation of Long Term Individual Savings Plan, Benefiting of Tax Incentives Connected to Investment in Italian SMEs

- Cross-border Investments in Small and Medium Sized Enterprises

Areej HAMADAH, *Lawyer, Kuwait City, Kuwait*

5:00 – 8:00 pm

Corporate Law, Corporate Governance Trends and Developments:

- Corporate Relocations, such as Re-Domiciliation, Inversions and the like
Franz SCHUBIGER, *Pestalozzi Attorneys at Law, Zurich, Switzerland*
- Shareholder vs. Company Interests vs. Interests of other Stakeholders
Olivier BLOCH, *Bloch Avocat, Yverdon-les-Bains, Switzerland*
- Privacy, Protectionism and Globalism
Sébastien FANTI, *Lawyer at the Valais Bar & Notary, Lexing Switzerland, Sion, Switzerland*
- Blockchain Technology and Smart Contracts
Jacob ENOCH, *M. Firon & Co. Advocates, Tel Aviv, Israel*
- Corporate Accountability, such as Social Responsibility, Sustainability and Environmental Aspects
- Trends in Executive Compensation and Related Regulation

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2018

MODERATOR: Winfried F. SCHMITZ, *SCHMITZ Law Offices, New York, N.Y., USA*

8:00 – 10:30 am

The Evolution and Framework of Global Regulatory System

- Transnational Corruption Control
Michèle HIRSCH, *Hirsch & Vanhaelst Avocats, Brussels, Belgium*
Véronique MOISSINAC MASSENAT, *Paris, France*
- International Combat against Money Laundering
Barbara BANDIERA, *Milan, Italy*
Marie-Paule GILLEN, *DSM Avocats à La Cour, Luxembourg, Luxembourg*
- Financial Markets and Investor Protection through Litigation New Criminal Responsibility of the Legal Person in Spain
Marla Vanessa BOJORGE ZÚÑIGA, *Bojorge & Associates, Valencia, Spain*

5:00 – 8:00 pm

Developments in Global Internal Investigations

- Combat against Modern Slave Trade
Catherine HOHL-CHIRAZI, *LHA Avocats, Geneva, Switzerland*
- Financial Fraud and Corruption – Need for Transnational Regulations
Pradeep K.P., *LLM & Ph.D, M/s Poduval Legal, Ernakulam, India*
- The “Weak Party” in Litigation Worldwide: Necessary Protection or Unfair Advantage?**
 - Are Consumers weak party of global market actors in worldwide litigations?
Oreste CALLIANO, *University of Turin, Turin, Italy*
 - Recent Developments in Sovereign Immunity for Terrorism Claims
Robert K. KRY, *Molo Lamken LLP, Washington, D.C., USA*
 - Arbitration in Investment Disputes according to the Washington Convention
Katerina GRAMATIKOVA, *Dobrev & Lyutskanov, Sofia, Bulgaria*

THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 2018

MODERATOR: Véronique MOISSINAC MASSENAT, *Paris, France*

8:00 – 10:30 am

Recent Trends and Developments in Litigation and Arbitration Worldwide

- Practical Considerations and Case Studies in English Law when Cross Border Transactions Go Wrong - Litigate or Arbitrate?
Cecilia XU, *9 Stone Buildings Barristers Chambers, London, UK*
- Artificial Intelligence in the Boardroom and Robot Law in America
Victorine FROEHLICH, *Former Administrative Law Judge, N.Y., USA*

- Challenges to Experts Appointed by the Arbitral Tribunal and to Party-Appointed Experts in International Arbitration

Philipp KÄRCHER, *AGS Acker Schmalz, Frankfurt, Germany*

- Some Strategies on the Seat of the Arbitration

Yoshihisa HAYAKAWA, *Uryu & Itoga, Tokyo, Japan*

- Lifting the Corporate Veil in Litigation

Francisco RAMOS ROMEU, *RAMOS & ARROYO, Barcelona, Spain*

5:00 – 8:00 pm

Trends in Arbitration and ADR

- International Arbitration During an Isolationist Interlude: Concerns for Clients and Practitioners

C. Ryan REETZ, *Bryan Cave LLP, Miami, F.L., USA*

- Multi-tiered Arbitration Clauses before Arbitral Tribunals Seated in Switzerland

Niklaus ZAUGG, *CMS von Erlach Poncet AG, Zurich, Switzerland*

- Forum Shopping in the Age of Protectionism

Julius NKAFU, *Great James Street, London, UK*

- Production of Electronic Documents in International Arbitration

Lars PERHARD, *CERTA Advokatbyrå, Stockholm, Sweden*

- New Laws Imposing ADR in Italy

Alessia SIALINO, *Sialino Studiolegale Internazionale, Udine, Italy*

FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 2018

MODERATOR: Francisco RAMOS ROMEU, *Ramos & Arroyo, Barcelona, Spain*

8:00 – 10:30 am

Legal & Ethical Issues for International Lawyers

- Lawfully Obtained Evidence and its Use in Dispute Resolution, Especially in Worldwide Asset Recovery proceedings

Sandro VECCHIO, *Vecchio Avocats, Geneva, Switzerland*

Pierluca DEGNI, *Vecchio Avocats, Geneva, Switzerland*

- Ethical Risks regarding the Use of Artificial Intelligence in the Financial Industry

Silvestre TANDEAU DE MARSAC, *Fischer, Tandeau de Marsac, Sur & Associés, Paris, France*

- Collision of Public Interest and the Protection of the Lawyer

Jaime Enrique CUEVAS MARTÍNEZ, *Cuevas & Carbonell Abogados Madrid S.L.P., Madrid, Spain*

- New Legislation towards ADR in Turkey and Impact of Commercial and Labour Contracts

Yonca Fatma YÜCEL, *BRSA, Ankara, Turkey*

Review of the Seminar, Concluding Remarks

7:30 pm

Closing Dinner

SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 2018

Informal interaction on the slopes

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The working language will be **English**.

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	Early Bird <= 25.01.2018	Standard > 26.01.2018	Speaker fees
Full Course	€ 544	€ 594	€ 435
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Accompanying Person**	€ 292	€ 312	€ 272
Monday to Wednesday	€ 390	€ 440	€ 312
Young Lawyers (under 35)*	€ 298	€ 348	€ 238
Accompanying Person**	€ 156	€ 176	€ 136
Wednesday to Friday	€ 424	€ 474	€ 339
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Accompanying Person**	€ 208	€ 228	€ 188

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For the nights from February 25 to March 1:

Standard Single Room: **CHF 170.00/ night***

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B. SEMINAR SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Please indicate below whether you plan to attend the following events included in the cost of your registration:

- Welcome Cocktail – Sunday, February 25, 2018
- Closing Dinner – Friday, March 2, 2018

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- Welcome Cocktail – Sunday, February 25, 2018 x __ person(s)
- Closing Dinner – Friday, March 2, 2018 x __ person(s)

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