

18TH SUMMER SCHOOL ON EUROPEAN BUSINESS LAW

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We are pleased to welcome you to the **18th Summer School on European Business Law** at the Center for Business and Corporate Law at the Heinrich Heine University in Düsseldorf.

With significant scientific support from our joint partners, the Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya (Israel) and the University of Tilburg (The Netherlands), you will be part of an intensive program on European and International Business Law, conducted by experienced speakers from academia and the legal practice.

The comprehensive curriculum on European and International Business Law enables you to expand your knowledge of Business Law in an interdisciplinary and European context. It is also a unique opportunity to improve your professional and scientific skills in the areas of Corporate, Restructuring and Competition.

Apart from the academic experience, you have the unique opportunity to network with law firm representatives, academics and a group of highly qualified participants from all over the world. These cultural and social opportunities will also enrich your stay at the Summer School, Heinrich Heine University and Düsseldorf.

Enjoy your experience!

Best wishes,

Prof. Dr. Christian Kersting, LL.M. (Yale)

– CBC Director –

Prof. Dr. Thilo Kuntz, LL.M. (Univ. of Chicago)

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Program Schedule

1st Week	Corporate				Restructuring / Legal Theory
	Monday July 15, 2024	Tuesday July 16, 2024	Wednesday July 17, 2024	Thursday July 18, 2024	Friday July 19, 2024
10:00	Welcome Introduction to European Law <i>(Riedel)</i>	International Joint Ventures <i>(Daghles)</i>	ESG as a Model for Investing <i>(Joubert/vanWyk)</i>	Sovereign Debtors' Privileges <i>(Hauser)</i>	Introduction to Insolvency Law <i>(Andres)</i>
Lunch Break					
13:00	European Corporate Law <i>(Jungmann)</i>	Reasons and Solutions of Shareholder Disputes <i>(Leuring)</i>	Capital Market Compliance <i>(Günther)</i>	Securitizing the World: A Tale of Buzzwords, Regulation and Commercials <i>(Eckner)</i>	Fact finding and History setting - the Role of Courts and the State <i>(Seidman)</i>
15:00	Responsibility and Liability of Board Members <i>(Jungmann)</i>	Get together with <i>Kaffee und Kuchen</i> <i>(Leuring)</i>	Generative AI Technology: The Business Environment <i>(Aviv Gaon)</i>		
17:30		Special* Takeover <i>(Schiess)</i> Start: 17:00		Special* M&A <i>(Hiort)</i>	

2nd Week	Restructuring / IP	Competition			
	Monday July 22, 2024	Tuesday July 23, 2024	Wednesday July 24, 2024	Thursday July 25, 2024	Friday July 26, 2024
10:00		Introduction to EU Competition Law and Overview of Articles 101 and 102 TFEU <i>(Stange)</i>	Competition Economics <i>(Heimeshoff)</i>	Green Competition – Competition Law and Sustainability <i>(Lauer)</i>	
Lunch Break					
13:00		Merger Control <i>(dos Santos Goncalves)</i>	Private Antitrust Enforcement <i>(Klumpe)</i>	IP and Antitrust Law <i>(Malec)</i>	
15:00	Reorganisation and Restructuring <i>(Möhlenkamp)</i>		Public Antitrust Enforcement <i>(Klumpe)</i>	Vertical Restrictions & Distribution <i>(Maritzen)</i>	
17:30	Special Restructuring <i>(Möhlenkamp)</i>			Special* Arbitration <i>(Kessler)</i>	

* This event includes a get-together outside the regular venue.

Program Schedule

Dr. Christian G.H. Riedel



Dr. Christian G. H. Riedel is a legal officer at the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Nuclear Safety and Consumer Protection where he works in the unit “Sustainable Finance in the EU”. He also lectures on EU Law at the Heinrich Heine University in Düsseldorf in cooperation with the University of Hull (UK) and publishes articles on European and constitutional law topics.

Riedel completed his doctoral thesis focused on European fundamental rights at Bucerius Law School (Hamburg) while working as a research assistant for Professor Charlotte Kreuter-Kirchhof, who holds the Chair of German and Foreign Public Law, European Law and Public International Law in Düsseldorf. He gave lectures on the jurisprudence of the CJEU, fundamental rights and constitutional law at Heinrich Heine University and at the University of Cergy-Pontoise (France). In 2017, Riedel did an internship in the cabinet of Advocate General Professor Juliane Kokott and was a visiting researcher at the University of Luxemburg. During his legal clerkship, he worked for the German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy and for McDermott Will & Emery LLP. He also worked for the European Commission in Brussels. Therefore, he is specialized in all questions concerning European Union Law and German public law.

Monday (July 15, 2023), 10:00

Introduction to European Law

Program Schedule

Prof. Dr. Carsten Jungmann,
LL.M. (Yale), M.Sc.



Prof. Dr. Carsten Jungmann, LL.M. (Yale), M.Sc. (Leicester) is Program Director at Bucerius Law School (Hamburg). At this institution, he is a member of the steering committee of the Bucerius Master program and coordinates the Diploma in Business Law Program at WHU - Otto Beisheim School of Management. In addition, he serves for the BIRKENSTOCK Group as Group Director Corporate Law & Structure and as a member of the Supervisory Board. Finally, he is a certified compliance officer and a practicing lawyer and business mediator.

Prof. Jungmann studied at the universities of Edinburgh and Bonn, where he was also employed at the Institute for Commercial and Business Law and completed his doctoral degree. Furthermore, he has obtained both, a Master of Laws from Yale Law School (USA) and a Master of Science in Finance from the University of Leicester (UK). Prof. Jungmann spent a year as an academic visitor at the London School of Economics and Political Science and was a visiting faculty member at the University of Surrey (UK) and at the Ludwig-Maximilians-University of Munich. He teaches various corporate and banking law related topics not only at Bucerius Law School but also in the Master of Laws in Cross Cultural Business Practice Program of the Université de Fribourg (Switzerland), at the University of Luxembourg and in the Master of Auditing program of Leuphana University (Lüneburg).

Monday (July 15, 2024), 13:00 and 15.00

Responsibility and Liability of Board Members

The management board is responsible for running the stock corporation and for its representation to third parties. In addition, it sets up long term goals and guidelines. Other functions of the management board are bookkeeping and the presentation of the annual accounts and reports to the general meetings that it is required to convene. The board members also have the power to represent the company in court proceedings. The members of the management board are appointed by the supervisory board for a renewable period of up to five years. Dismissal is restricted to severe reasons of gross breach of duty or incapacity and can only be effected by the supervisory board. The management board's actions in running the company's business are constrained by various statutory duties, especially by the duty of care and the duty of loyalty. Board members will be held liable for any violation of these duties. Sec. 93 of the German Stock Corporation Act contains, inter alia, the rule that the members of the management board are liable for damages that the company suffers as a result of their breach of duty. The general purpose of this rule is to protect the company's funds. What a breach of duty is and in which cases such a breach leads to the liability of a board member, however, are questions that are difficult to answer.

Readings: Jungmann, Responsibility and Liability of Board Members

Program Schedule

Dr. Murad M. Daghles,
LL.M. (KCL)



Dr. Murad Daghles is partner in the Corporate/M&A practice group of DLA Piper.

He advises national and international corporations on complex domestic and cross-border M&A-transactions and joint ventures. Moreover, he advises on public M&A as well as German stock corporations on take-overs and related capital market law and corporate governance matters.

Murad regularly advises German medium-sized and DAX-companies on international investments, joint ventures and transactions, in particular in the Middle East, and international investors on business activities and investments in Germany and Europe. As examples of Murad's practice, he advised Saudi Aramco on the specialty chemicals joint venture ARLANXEO and on the subsequent acquisition of the 50% stake in this joint venture from LANXESS. Moreover, he advised Saudi Arabian Industrial Investments Company on a strategic joint venture with General Electric to manufacture gas turbines in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

Murad is admitted to the German bar since 2008 and has worked inter alia in New York, Los Angeles and Abu Dhabi.

Tuesday (July 16, 2024), 10:00

International Joint Ventures (*Gesellschaftervereinbarungen*)

Program Schedule

Prof. Dr. Dieter Leuring



Prof. Dr. Dieter Leuring is a partner of the law firm Flick Gocke Schaumburg, one of the leading German corporate lawyers and honorary professor for commercial law at the law faculty of Heinrich Heine University in Düsseldorf. His practice focuses on corporate law including group law, corporate litigation, commercial and post-M&A disputes including arbitration, compliance, M&A and capital market law. Numerous management and supervisory board members seek his advice – whether for the company in which they work or in the context of a dispute with that very company. This also includes disputes concerning the liability of executive bodies (D&O liability).

Tuesday (July 16, 2024), 13:00 and 15:00

Reasons and Solutions of Shareholder Disputes

Get together with *Kaffee und Kuchen*

Program Schedule

Dr. Maximilian Schiessl,
LL.M. (Harvard)



Dr. Maximilian Schiessl, LL.M. (Harvard) has been a partner at Hengeler Mueller, Düsseldorf since 1991 and is one of the leading German transaction lawyers. He studied law at the University of Munich (Dr. iur.) and Harvard Law School (LL.M.). He was admitted to the German Bar in 1986. Max was Chairman of the Committee 'Corporate and M & A' of the International Bar Association (1998 – 2002) and of the Capital Markets Forum (2002 – 2004). His practice areas include Mergers & Acquisitions, Private Equity and Corporate. Public M&A deals include Daimler/Chrysler, Linde/Praxair, Deutsche Telekom/Voicestream, Vodafone/Kabel Deutschland and Bayer/Schering. Max teaches in the field of corporate and securities law at Heinrich Heine University's Faculty of Law.

Tuesday (July 16, 2024), 17:00

Case Study on Takeovers

Following the lecture:

Reception hosted by Hengeler Mueller

Directions:

Hengeler Mueller Partnerschaft von Rechtsanwälten mbB
Benrather Strasse 18-20
40213 Düsseldorf

Program Schedule

Dr. Tronel Joubert

Dr. Sanita van Wyk



Dr. Tronel Joubert work as a Lecturer at Tilburg University. She is involved in the Master Program International Business Law and as course coordinator in the bachelor course, Inleiding Ondernemingsrecht. Her primary fields of research include corporate law, insolvency law and labour law. She acts as thesis coordinator for the Master program and supervises several students. She is involved in teaching activities at Akademia, a private university in South Africa. She also contributes to publications in a variety of legal fields and co-edit handbooks.

Dr. Sanita van Wyk works as a Lecturer of International Business Law at Tilburg Law School, Tilburg University (The Netherlands). She is a qualified Attorney of the High Court of South Africa, and previously a doctoral researcher at the Berlin Centre of Caspian Region Environmental and Energy Studies (CREES) at Freie Universität Berlin (Germany) as well as a TOP 20 Postdoctoral Research Fellow and Lecturer at Stellenbosch University (South Africa). She is a member of the IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law (WCEL) and a member of the Women Leaders for Planetary Health (WLPH) network. She is the author of the book entitled: The Impact of Climate Change Law on the Principle of State Sovereignty over Natural Resources. Her primary fields of research include international environmental law (with a focus on climate change law) and comparative law. Her research is currently situated at the intersection of business and environmental law.

Wednesday (July 17, 2024), 10:00

ESG as a Model for Investing

Program Schedule

Dr. Nicholas Günther,
LL.M. (Georgetown)



Dr. Nicholas Günther, LL.M. (Georgetown) is partner at Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP, Düsseldorf. He advises listed and non-listed clients on national and cross-border private and public M&A transactions.

His practice also includes stock corporation law and capital markets law.

Wednesday (July 17, 2024), 13:00

Capital Market Compliance

Program Schedule

Dr. Aviv Gaon



Dr. Aviv Gaon is a senior lecturer at the Harry Radzyner Law School, Reichman University (IDC Herzliya). He holds a Ph.D. from Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, and LL.B (Cum Laude) and LL.M from Reichman University. His work in the area of intellectual property and technology earned him the IP Osgoode David Vaver Medal for Excellence in IP Law in 2019. In 2019-2020, Dr. Gaon was a Post-Doc Fellow at the Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy at the University of Toronto. Dr. Gaon is a research fellow at IP Osgoode Center for Intellectual Property and Technology at Osgoode Hall Law School, and in 2019 he joined the Intellectual Property Journal (IPJ) editorial board – a leading Canadian journal for intellectual property and technology research. Dr. Gaon is also a member of the Bracing for Impact Artificial Intelligence Challenge conference series organizing committee. These conferences facilitate legal discussions about Canadian tech policy and attract academic scholars, tech companies, and government leaders. The Bracing for Impact conferences is supported by Canada Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC).

Dr. Gaon's research focuses on Intellectual Property, Law & Technology and Competition Law. His publications address the legal implications of emerging technologies, intellectual property, and artificial intelligence. In 2019-2021 he served as the Director of the Harry Radzyner Law School Experiential Programs and the Academic Director of the Honours Program. In 2022 Dr. Gaon served as the Executive Director of the school. Dr. Gaon serves as the Secretary of the University. In this role, his primary responsibility is supporting the governance of the University and facilitating the work of the University's Board of Directors.

Wednesday (July 17, 2024), 13:00

Generative AI Technology: The Business Environment

Dr. Patrick Hauser



Dr. Patrick Hauser is an attorney (*Rechtsanwalt*) at Berner Fleck Wettich in Düsseldorf. He counsels clients on all aspects of German corporate law with a focus on corporate litigation in shareholder disputes and management liability cases.

Patrick studied law at Bucerius Law School in Hamburg and the National University of Singapore. He completed his legal clerkship at the Higher Regional Court Düsseldorf and holds a doctoral degree from Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf (HHU). Patrick teaches and undertakes research in business law, focusing on corporate law, competition law and some aspects of finance law, including state finance law.

Prior to his current position, Patrick practised law at Gleiss Lutz from 2016 to 2018 focusing on litigation and arbitration in corporate, banking and capital markets law. From 2019 to 2022 he then served as the manager of the Institute for Competition law at HHU.

Thursday (July 18, 2024), 10:00

Sovereign Debtors' Privileges

Program Schedule

David Eckner, LL.M. (KCL),
EMBA (Quantic)



David Eckner, LL.M. (KCL), EMBA (Quantic) is Counsel at Chartered Investment Germany and attorney-at-law with a particular emphasis on investment, banking and securities regulation. David has been sales manager and strategist for a multinational credit institution with headquarters in London and Hong Kong and has worked as attorney-at-law for top tier German law firms in the field of asset management and investment funds. He studied in Düsseldorf, London, New York City, Washington, D.C., and Cambridge (MA). David is senior lecturer at universities in Germany, the Netherlands and Liechtenstein and frequently publishes on matters concerning asset and investment management as well as banking.

Thursday (July 18, 2024), 13:00

Securitizing the World: A Tale of Buzzwords, Regulation and Commercials

The securitization of assets as a structured finance tool as well as capital investment has a long-standing reputation, periods of glamour and glory going hand in hand with the most horrendous moments in contemporary economic history. More than fifteen years after the severe breakdown of the global securitization industry, securitizing assets has never been more in vogue for companies and investors likewise. Such development not only stems from regulatory improvements but also and very particular from technological innovation.

This lecture dives into the world of securitization and all its participants, exposes the buzzwords associated with the current landscape (including the opaque world of sustainability), depicts the regulatory environment in multiple jurisdictions (in particular USA, Luxembourg and several offshore jurisdictions) and gets into case studies.

Program Schedule

Dr. Malte J. Hiort



Dr. Malte J. Hiort is partner of the law firm GvW Graf von Westphalen and a member of the firm's China and US desks and heads the firm's Aviation focus area. He has extensive experience in advising national and international corporations on complex, often multinational M&A transactions (including acquisitions out of insolvency) with a broad industry focus (e.g. aerospace, healthcare, IT, fashion and insurance) and in corporate law (in particular with cross-border implications). He also regularly publishes on corporate and M&A topics, lectures and was a lecturer in M&A at Heinrich-Heine University Düsseldorf (2017).

Thursday (July 18, 2024), 17:30

Private M&A

Following the lecture:

Reception hosted by GvW Graf von Westphalen

Directions:

GvW Graf von Westphalen Rechtsanwälte Steuerberater Partnerschaft mbB
Königsallee 61 – Köblich
40215 Düsseldorf

Program Schedule

Prof. Dr. Dirk Andres



Prof. Dr. Dirk Andres is a specialist solicitor for insolvency law and partner of the law firm AndresPartner. He is appointed insolvency administrator by numerous insolvency courts in North Rhine Westphalia. In addition, he supports companies, managing directors, shareholders and creditors in all issues of corporate restructuring. Andres regularly publishes on insolvency law issues and co-publishes a commentary on the insolvency code for C.H. Beck. He is also a member of the Advisory Board of the Institute for Bankruptcy and Restructuring Law at Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf. He is a member of Gravenbrucher Kreis, the association of the leading insolvency administrators and restructuring experts in Germany, as well as of Forum 270 focussing on quality and responsibility of self-administrated restructuring (Eigenverwaltung). The renowned JUVE publishing house lists him in its handbook 2017/2018 to the leading names in insolvency administration. Since 2018, WirtschaftsWoche has included him in its list of Germany's most renowned insolvency lawyers, and the specialist publisher Best Lawyers has included him in its ranking of Germany's Best Lawyers 2020 for the area of restructuring and insolvency law.

Friday (July 19, 2024), 10:00

Introduction to Insolvency Law

Program Schedule

Prof. Dr. Guy Seidman



Prof. Guy Seidman has been on faculty at the Radzyner School of Law since 1999. A graduate of Tel-Aviv University (LL.B., 1989; LL.M. 1995) and Northwestern University of Chicago, Illinois (LL.M., 1997, S.J.D. 1999) Prof. Seidman has visited and taught at various institutions in Israel, Europe and the United States including the University of Chicago, Northwestern University, Boston University and the Max Planck Institute at Heidelberg. Prof. Seidman is primarily interested in Administrative law and Comparative law and the cross between the two. A former officer of the Israeli Judge Advocate General's Corps., Prof. Seidman's other teaching and research interests include military law as well as medical law. Prof. Seidman has written extensively in his fields of research. Notable recent publications include: "Who Are You, The Israeli Administrative Law? – in View of Daphne Barak-Erez's Book Administrative Law" 51 Hapraklit (Israel Bar Association LJ, Hebrew, May 2012) 693-756; The Origins of the Necessary and Proper Clause (co-authored with Prof. Gary Lawson, Boston U.; Geoffrey Miller, NYU; Robert Natelson, U. of Montana) (Cambridge University Press, 2010) and "Is A Flat-Line a Good Thing? On the Privatization of Israel's Healthcare System" 36 Am. J. L & Med. 452-481 (2010).

Friday (July 19, 2024), 13:00

Fact finding and history setting – the role of courts and the state

Program Schedule

Dr. Andreas Möhlenkamp,
LL.M. corp. restruc.



Dr. Andreas Möhlenkamp, LL.M. corp. restruc. is a Lawyer in Duisburg/Essen and Co-owner of Dr. Möhlenkamp & Cie. Unternehmensberatung GmbH, Essen. He practices insolvency law and the restructuring of companies. Andreas studied in Münster and Paris. He received a Doctorate Degree in Münster and a Master-Degree at the University of Heidelberg. He started his career as a judge at the LG Köln (District Court) and worked as Expert of Competition Law for the Federation of German Industries (BDI). For more than 10 years Andreas Möhlenkamp was Director of an Industry Federation. Before specialising in restructuring in his own firm, Andreas was Director of a restructuring company affiliated to an insolvency law firm.

Monday (July 22, 2024), 15:00

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Special: case study Restructuring at 17:30

Reorganisation and Restructuring

Program Schedule

Beatrice Stange, LL.M. (London)



Beatrice Stange, LL.M. (London) is a lawyer at the Düsseldorf office of Heuking Kühn Lüer Wojtek. She was admitted to the bar in 2007 and advises clients on all areas of Antitrust / Competition Law, e.g. proceedings before the competition authorities, ensuring the compliant behaviour of clients in their day-to-day business and drafting and implementing compliance programmes. She also handles merger control proceedings, coordinates multi-national merger control applications and is involved in civil law litigation.

She studied law at the universities of Konstanz and Hamburg and holds a licence en droit from Université Paris 2 Panthéon-Assas and a Master of Laws in Economic Regulation (LL.M.) from King's College London / University of London.

Tuesday (July 23, 2024), 10:00

Introduction to EU Competition Law and Overview of Articles 101 and 102 TFEU

Program Schedule

Dr David Julien dos Santos Goncalves



Dr David-Julien dos Santos Goncalves is part of the Antitrust and Foreign Investment Group of Linklaters LLP. He specialises in European and German competition law, including merger control, foreign investment, foreign subsidies regulation (FSR), cartel and abuse of dominance proceedings before the European Commission, the German competition authority and the Federal Ministry of Economic Affairs and Climate Action as well as before national and European courts. His focus lies on the coordination of multijurisdictional merger control and foreign investment proceedings. David also advises on complex compliance programs (e.g. syndicated loans) as well as antitrust questions related to vertical agreements and the compliant restructuring of distribution systems with a particular focus on online sales channels. His focus is on the financial, automotive, energy, semiconductor, postal and logistic services, cosmetics, and private equity sectors.

David studied law at the University of Münster and wrote his PhD thesis at the University of Münster. He also studied economics (bachelor and master degree) at the University of Münster, St. Gallen and Aberdeen. David joined Linklaters as a lawyer in March 2016 and has been promoted to Partner in May 2024. He was working at the London Office in 2019 and to the New York Office in 2016.

David regularly publishes on competition law, including recent publications of foreign investment control. He is co-author in *Deutsches und Europäisches Kartellrecht – Kommentar* (Berg/Mäsch).

Tuesday (July 23, 2024), 13:00

Merger Control

Readings:

Case M.8660 – FORTUM / UNIPER Commission decision pursuant to Article 6 (1) (b) of Council Regulation No 139/20041 and Article 57 of the Agreement on the European Economic Area (pages 1-11 and 32-52)

Program Schedule

Prof. Dr. Ulrich Heimeshoff



Prof. Dr. Ulrich Heimeshoff is a partner of DICE Consult and professor of economics at the Düsseldorf Institute for Competition Economics (DICE). He has extensive expertise in the application of econometric methods, particularly in the conduct of antitrust damages analyses. Here he has advised numerous clients on both the plaintiff and defendant sides (including escalators, logistics, gas-insulated switchgear (GIS), confectionery, trucks).

Professor Heimeshoff has also acted as an expert witness for Deutsche Telekom, Vodafone, RWE, EON, Siemens, ADAC, the German Trade Association (HDE), the Federal Ministries of Finance and Economics, the European Parliament and the Federal Network Agency, among others.

His research analyzes, among other things, competitive and consumer behavior in automotive and retail markets as well as in telecommunications, energy and transport markets. He has published econometric work on competition and regulatory economics in national and international journals.

Wednesday (July 24, 2024), 10:00

Competition Economics

Program Schedule

Presiding Judge at the District Court Dr. Gerhard Klumpe



Dr. Gerhard Klumpe studied law at the Ruhr University Bochum (Germany). After obtaining his first State Exam, he began his doctoral studies at the same institution. In 1998 he was awarded his doctorate and started judicial training at the District Court of Bochum. He passed his second state exam and entered the judiciary in 2000.

In 2013 he was appointed as Presiding Judge at the District Court of Dortmund where he chairs a Chamber for Commercial Matters as well as the only Civil Law Chamber for Cartel Damage Actions within the jurisdiction of the Higher Regional Court of Hamm.

Gerhard Klumpe holds courses within the judicial training, lectures at the Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf and has contributed to number of leading academic journals.

Wednesday (July 24, 2024), 13:00 and 15:00

**Private Antitrust Enforcement
Public Antitrust Enforcement**

Program Schedule

Dr. Anne-Kathrin Lauer



Dr. Anne-Kathrin Lauer is Senior Associate of Hogan Lovells LLP. She advises national and international clients on all areas of German and European competition law specially in complex multi-jurisdictional merger control proceedings. She is particularly experienced in the automotive and the health care sector. Anne offers comprehensive solutions to complex distribution queries and related aspects of competition law. Furthermore, she defends clients in cartel and abuse of dominance investigations before the German Federal Cartel Office and the European Commission.

Anne studied law at the University of Heidelberg and the University of Leeds, UK. Prior to joining Hogan Lovells, Anne worked in the competition law teams of international law firms in Dusseldorf and Beijing, China.

Thursday (July 25, 2024), 10:00

Green Competition – competition law and sustainability

Program Schedule

Anita Malec



Anita Malec is Counsel in the Competition, Regulatory and Trade team of the Dusseldorf office of Fieldfisher.

Before joining Fieldfisher, she practiced competition law in different international law firms in Düsseldorf and London. She studied law in Göttingen, Bristol (UK) and Würzburg.

Her practice area covers German and EU competition law. Anita is experienced in cartel investigations of the European Commission as well as the German Bundeskartellamt, leniency applications and dawn raid and compliance trainings. Anita further focuses on competition law guidance for horizontal cooperations such as R&D and licensing agreements and for competition law questions in relation to the use of IP rights.

Anita lectures competition law at the University of Applied Sciences in Darmstadt and is a member of the German Association of Competition Law and of the German-British Association of Lawyers.

Thursday (July 25, 2024), 13:00

IP and Antitrust Law

Program Schedule

Dr. Lars Maritzen LL.B. MLE



Dr. Lars Maritzen is a partner at Schalast & Partner Rechtsanwälte mbB and has been advising on competition law, compliance and commercial matters for more than ten years and is a member of the Commercial and IP practice groups. He advises his international and national clients, which include corporations, medium-sized companies and start-ups, on the drafting and negotiation of contracts in the areas of purchasing and sales, distribution and in the area of research & development, in particular research and development cooperations, with a focus on competition law.

In addition, Lars advises on the structuring and auditing of compliance management issues and internal investigations, in particular due to his in-house experience. Lars has particular expertise in the area of fine proceedings including e-discovery and assists national and international clients in antitrust and data protection fine proceedings before the respective authorities.

Finally, he acts as a mediator under the Platform 2 Business Regulation.

Thursday (July 25, 2024), 15:00

Corp Tech and the Algo-Board

Program Schedule

Dr. Nicholas Kessler,
LL.M. (Cambridge), EMBA



Dr. Nicholas Kessler, LL.M. (Cambridge), EMBA (Münster), Rechtsanwalt and Solicitor (England & Wales) is partner in the Düsseldorf office of Orrick Herrington & Sutcliffe and a member of the firm's International Arbitration Group. His practice focuses on national and international arbitration, complex litigation, product liability cases, investment disputes, restructuring, corporate law with a particular emphasis on post M&A, and construction disputes. His experience includes proceedings under the auspices of all major arbitral organizations, such as, e.g., the ICC, DIS, LCIA, SCC, Vienna-Rules and UNCITRAL-Rules. Nicholas is a visiting lecturer at the Universities of Münster and Düsseldorf, lectures on international arbitration as well as international and European procedural law and regularly publishes in these areas.

Thursday (July 25, 2024), 17:30

Special: Clash of Cultures in International Arbitration

Following the lecture:

Reception hosted by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP

Directions:

Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP

Heinrich-Heine-Allee 12

40213 Düsseldorf

Program Schedule

Düsseldorf



Historically the river Rhine has been Düsseldorf's natural link across borders to other cities and countries. It has provided a continuous flow of trade and a constant exchange of ideas and has thus been the source of the friendliness that has become a distinguishing mark of the Rhineland. Geographically and economically, the city lies at the heart of Western Europe. It is therefore not surprising that the state capital with almost 600,000 inhabitants has been able to build such strong international connections. Düsseldorf has established itself as a major economic partner in the European Community and as an important scientific and cultural hub in Germany's most populous federal state: North Rhine-Westphalia.

Düsseldorf, an internationally-noted banking centre and home of continental Europe's largest Japanese expatriate community, has an outstanding creative climate, to which numerous industrial designers, commercial artists, product developers and advertising agencies contribute. The new and growing Harbour Media Centre provides a setting for several top-flight communications companies and photography studios. Dubbed the Paris of Germany, Düsseldorf boasts a fashion industry which contributes to the charm and "joie de vivre" of the city. In summers its famous and elegant boulevard known as the *Kö (Königsallee)* turns into a vast café – a place to see and be seen. Tree-lined promenades, interspersed with beer gardens, offer inviting places to stroll and watch the boats on the Rhine or look at the eye-catching Art Nouveau facades on the opposite bank of the river.

Meadows and parks provide extensive grounds for those keen on sports, and a setting for the annual *Kirmes* (outdoor fair) on the Rhine. The Old Town is a popular entertainment area and one of Düsseldorf's most extensive pedestrian districts. It abounds with narrow alleys, restaurants, cafes and pubs as well as old-fashioned comfort and hospitality. This historic core of the city survived World War II intact and is still carefully preserved today.

Under Jan Wellem of the Palatinate, who reigned from 1679 to 1716, the town began to thrive, and the foundation was laid for the rich and multifaceted cultural life which can be found today. The *Deutsche Oper am Rhein* offers classical and modern repertoire and remarkable ballet performances. The theatre scene is varied, with an internationally renowned playhouse as its focal point, plus a political cabaret, numerous studio theatres and the puppet theatre. The concert hall or Tonhalle stands out for its artistic design as well as its diverse music programme. All aspects of modern art are very well represented at the State Art Collection *Kunstsammlung*. Düsseldorf's Academy of Fine Arts is one of the leading art schools in Germany. With numerous internationally known galleries Düsseldorf is one of the European art centres. Apart from the Heinrich Heine University and the Academy of Fine Arts, Düsseldorf is the home of a number of research institutes and educational facilities; among them the Robert Schumann Conservatory, the University of Applied Sciences (*Fachhochschule*) and the Academy of Business and Administration.

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