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Barcelona

Friday, September 16 & Saturday, September 17, 2011



Third Business Law Forum – Infrastructure Projects

Seminar organised by the UIA with the support of the Barcelona Bar Association

Introduction

Despite occasional economic ups and downs, there is a continuous need for public and private infrastructure developments. However, the legal challenges faced by both public and private sector parties to infrastructure projects change rapidly. These changes result from sustainability requirements, environmental issues, constantly evolving EU legislation, political battles and many other factors.

This seminar will cover the main issues affecting cross-border infrastructure projects, not only from a civil law and regulatory point of view, but also from an economic

perspective by involving industry and financial experts to explain the economic and financial aspects of infrastructure development projects.

In addition to the professional programme, we hope that participants will take the opportunity to enjoy the many sights and attractions of Barcelona.

We hope that you will join us to help to make this a memorable seminar on this important topic in one of the most beautiful cities in Spain.



19:00

WELCOME COCKTAIL

Il·lustre Col·legi d'Advocats de Barcelona

Pati de Columnes – Palauet Casades

Calle Mallorca, 283 (Corner Roger de Llúria / Mallorca)

08037 Barcelona



Friday, September 16

8:30 – 9:00

REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS

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8th floor

Calle Mallorca, 283

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9:00 – 9:15

► **WELCOME AND OPENING OF THE SEMINAR**

Pedro L. YÚFERA, *President of the Barcelona Bar Association, Barcelona, Spain*

Pascal MAURER, *UIA President, Keppeler & Associés, Geneva, Switzerland*

9:15 – 9:30

► **Introduction**

Stephan KÖNIG, *Oppenhoff & Partner, Cologne, Germany*

9:30 – 11:00

► **Case study on transport or energy infrastructure privatisation**

Discussion of the case:

- Ownership of facility (civil law and administrative law questions, limitations)
- Right to operate the facility (concession and other licensing)
- Tenders
- Corporate law and capital market rules in connection with the contemplated method of sale (private to public company, public company, auction, public offering)

MODERATOR:

Jorge MARTÍ MORENO, *Uría Menéndez Abogados, Valencia, Spain*

SPEAKERS:

Natalia MARTI PICÓ, *Roca Junyent Lawyers, Barcelona, Spain*

Marta CASAS CABA, *Abertis in-house Lawyer, Barcelona, Spain*

Francisco Victor BOUISSOU, *Pianhyllino Monteiro Sociedade de Advogados, Brasília, Brazil*

11:00 – 11:30

COFFEE BREAK

11:30 – 13:00

► **Green-field infrastructure projects**

- Specific environmental questions
- Specific real property law issues
- Specific construction law issues
- Cross-border issues

MODERATOR:

Patricia LOPEZ AUFRANC, *Marval O'Farrell & Mairal, Buenos Aires, Argentina*

SPEAKERS:

Carlos DE MIGUEL PERALES, *Uría Menéndez Abogados, Madrid, Spain*

Antonio DE LARA PASQUÍN, *AES Energía Cartagena, Cartagena, Spain*

Pablo VINAGERAS COBIELLES, *J & A Garrigues, Barcelona, Spain*

13:30 – 15:00

LUNCH on the terrace of the Barcelona Bar Association

15:00 – 17:00

► **Financing of infrastructure projects**

- Composition of an infrastructure financing consortium
- Financing parties (equity and debt), demands of financing parties
- Bankability of infrastructure projects (collateral, ability to execute on collateral)

MODERATOR:

Judit BUDAI, *Szecskey Attorneys at Law, Budapest, Hungary*

SPEAKERS:

Ana BEN VAZQUEZ, *Prol & Asociados, Madrid, Spain*

Thomas GOOSSENS, *BCCC Avocats Sarl, Geneva, Switzerland*

Giuseppe DE FALCO, *Ughi & Nunziante, Rome, Italy*

17:00 - 18:00

► Government experience in infrastructure projects

18:00

End of Day 1

20:30

OPTIONAL "Tapas" DINNER in restaurant Bestial

C/ Ramon Trias Fargas, 2

Barcelona



Saturday, September 17

9:00 - 9:30

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9:30 - 11:00

► **M&A issues – participation of financial investors**

Case study and discussion

- Regulatory obstacles and merger control
- Transactional issues – structuring
- Financing issues
- Tax considerations
- Restructuring of business and employee issues
- Exit scenarios

MODERATOR:

Stephan KÖNIG, *Oppenhoff & Partner, Cologne, Germany*

SPEAKERS:

Pierre-Menno DE GIRARD, *Reinhart Marville Torre, Paris, France*

Stéphane KONKOLY, *Vischer, Basel, Switzerland*

Michal BARLOWSKI, *Wardynski, Warsaw, Poland*

11:00 - 11:30

COFFEE BREAK

11:30 - 13:00

► **Cutting Red Tape: The Iberian Experience**

Pedro PAIS DE ALMEIDA, *Abreu Advogados, Lisbon, Portugal*

Miguel TORRES BLANQUEZ, *Ebame & Associats, Barcelona, Spain*

13:00

End of the seminar

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General Information

VENUE OF THE SEMINAR

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REGISTRATION FEES

	UIA Member		Non Member	
	≤ 16.08.2011	> 17.08.2011	≤ 16.08.2011	> 17.08.2011
Standard Registrations	350 €	400 €	400 €	450 €
Young Lawyers (<35)*	300 €	350 €	350 €	400 €
Iberian Lawyers	50 € reduction on the general registration fees			

* Please attach proof of age to the registration form to benefit from young lawyers fee.

These fees cover participation in the seminar, coffee breaks, lunch on Friday, September 16, 2011, as well as the documentation of the seminar. The dinner on Friday night, September 16, is optional and at additional charge. Please note that the number of places at the seminar is limited. The organisers reserve the right to refuse registrations in the event of excess applications.

VISAS

Any person who would like to receive a visa invitation letter to attend the seminar should register and pay their registration fees during the early bird rate to ensure there is enough time to obtain a visa. Only then it will be possible to benefit from a reimbursement in case the visa is refused.* - **

Should we receive your registration after the early bird deadline, only 50% of the registration fees will be reimbursed.

Should your visa be issued after the seminar date, you will not be reimbursed.

* 100% refund of the amount paid minus € 50 (administrative costs).

** We need to receive proof of refusal before we proceed with the reimbursement.

CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION

Every participant attending the seminar will receive a "Certificate of Participation" at the end of the event that may be used for obtaining "Credits" for "Continuing Legal Education" - "Continuing Professional Development" purposes, depending on national rules. For more information, please contact the UIA Paris office.

LANGUAGE

The working language will be **English**.

HOTEL ROOM RESERVATION

A limited number of rooms have been pre-booked at a preferential rate. It is indicated whether reservations should be made directly through the hotel or through the agency IURISTRAVEL. Credit card details must be given in order to secure your reservation. Please note that the number of rooms is limited. We recommend that you proceed with your reservations as soon as possible.

Hotels	Rates	
Hotel Claris (5*) Calle Pau Claris 150 Barcelona, Spain T +34 93 487 62 62 F +34 93 215 79 70 E claris@derbyhotels.com	Standard Single Room	195 €
	Standard Double Room	210 €
	Breakfast and taxes included	
	Please download the hotel reservation form from our website: www.uianet.org	
Hotel Eurostars Cristal Palace (4*) Calle Diputació 257 Barcelona, Spain -> reservations through agency IURISTRAVEL T +34 93 207 31 98 F +34 93 458 54 84 E aayats@iuristravel.com	Standard Single Room	152 €
	Standard Double Room	162 €
	Breakfast and taxes included	
	Please download the hotel reservation form from our website: www.uianet.org	
Hotel 987 (4*) Calle Mallorca 288 Barcelona, Spain -> reservations through agency IURISTRAVEL T +34 93 207 31 98 F +34 93 458 54 84 E aayats@iuristravel.com	Standard Single Room	139 €
	Standard Double Room	151 €
	Breakfast and taxes included	
	Please download the hotel reservation form from our website: www.uianet.org	
Hotel Best Western Confortgolf (3*) Travesera de Gràcia, 72 08006 Barcelona, Spain T +34 93 238 68 28 F +34 93 238 72 39 E info@hotelconfortgolf.com	Standard Single Room	103,50 €
	Standard Double Room	108 €
	Breakfast and taxes included	
	Please download the hotel reservation form from our website: www.uianet.org	

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