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  - Commercial directors and managers
  - Procurement directors and managers
  - Consultants

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# Negotiating and Structuring INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS

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To successfully compete in today's international marketplace, senior executives and their legal and strategic advisors must have an excellent grasp of how to negotiate, structure, manage and enforce international business agreements.

This **C5** programme will offer strategic insight into negotiating, drafting and structuring successful international commercial transactions and give attendees the opportunity to hear from seasoned practioners. Our esteemed speaker faculty will offer expert guidance on the legal and business issues commonly encountered when working on international commercial transactions.

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# DAY ONE AGENDA

- **Registration and Coffee** 8.30
- 9.00 Chair's Welcome and Opening Address

Jan Wrede, Partner, Clifford Chance LLP (Germany)

### 9.30 Planning and Structuring International Transactions

Richard Brown, Partner, Travers Smith (UK)

- Getting involved early, managing the process and setting realistic timeframes
- Letters of intent, memoranda of understanding and heads of agreement
- Due diligence issues
- Exclusivity and lock-in •
- Disclosure •

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- how can you determine what to disclose during negotiations?
- timing of disclosure
- two-way disclosure considerations
- required disclosure to third parties

### 10.15 **Morning Refreshments**

### 10.45 **Drafting International Business Agreements: Common Clauses**

# Gareth Jones, Partner, Nabarro LLP (UK)

- Analysis of major elements and terms
- Key common law y civil law issues
- Essential confidentiality clause issues
- Exclusivity and non-competition clause issues •
- Getting paid, including letters of credit and bank • guarantees
- Terms of appointment and length of relationship
- Termination: events and consequences •
- Planning for and managing currency and exchange issues arising in trans-national deals
- Using boilerplate clauses - more important than not

### 11.30 How to Protect Your Intellectual Property Rights in International Business Transactions

# Alex Wilson, Partner, Powell Gilbert LLP (UK)

# Zoe Butler, Partner, Powell Gilbert LLP (UK)

- Ensuring that you own the majority of the intellectual assets ensuring you have the IP rights you need to operate
  - under the agreement qualifying criteria, ownership and maintenance
  - of principal IP rights
- Protecting brands, trade secrets and patents generated under the agreement
  - Protecting and enforcing IP rights world wide: international protection and ownership
  - Protection and enforcement of IP rights in emerging economies
  - How to resolve any issues that may arise
    - managing IP disputes with your partners: arbitration v mediation
      - defending and enforcing IP rights against others

### 12.30 **Networking Lunch**

### 1.45 Choosing a Licensing Structure that Reflects your Business Strategy

# Guy Heath, Partner & Head of Intellectual Property Group Nabarro LLP (UK)

# Joerg Alshut, Partner, GSK Stockmann & Kollegan (Germany)

- · How to make your license structure reflect your business strategy
- Negotiating and drafting enforceable licenses what are the usual and recurring provisions?
  - what are the negotiation traps?
  - negotiating payment terms including royalty base, upfront payments and providing for currency fluctuations
- Assessing the UK and foreign laws that impact licensing and their effect on
  - ownership
  - competition
- Protecting your interests and evaluating your risks • and liabilities

### 2.30 **Negotiating and Structuring International Joint Venture Agreements**

# Philip Talboys, Partner, Herbert Smith LLP (UK)

- Factors that influence selection of joint ventures and strategic relationships
  - risk sharing and cost savings
  - brand leveraging
  - acquisition of distribution channels
  - local expertise
- Contemplating the dissolution while negotiating the joint venture
- Administration of host country laws of foreign investments and joint ventures
- Kinds of relationships to consider including entity • and non-entity
- Factors that influence choice of relationship
  - level of independence
  - tax and regulatory issues -
  - local legal requirements
- Negotiating the joint venture relationship ٠
  - Major recurring negotiation issues
    - revenues, income, costs and expenses
  - management and control
  - IP and technology sharing
  - decisions, disputes and claims
  - \_ termination of the relationship
  - term of the relationship: term, interim checks and extensions
  - Exclusivity or non exclusivity of relationship
- Dissolution and exit strategies including contractual • provisions and JV dissolution agreements
  - buyouts, indemnities and asset/liability splitting
- 3.15 Afternoon Refreshments
- 3.45 Managing Competition Law Issues and Cartel Risks in International Business Transactions

Dorothy Livingston, Partner, Competition Law Committee Member of the City of London Law Society Advisory Board Centre of European Law, King's College London Herbert Smith LLP (UK)

Patrick Hubert, Partner, Clifford Chance LLP (France)

# **OINT VENTURES**

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- COMPETITION LAW
- Current interpretation of articles 81 and 82 of the EU Treaty update on recent case law including Microsoft
  - understanding the EU Competition Commission's
  - current approach and enforcement priorities
- Horizontal and vertical agreements: current trends and lessons learned
- Understanding exceptions and block exemptions
- What to look out for in agreements to ensure you don't fall foul of anti-competitive provisions
  - exclusivity: duration, territory, customer
  - specific non-compete provisions
  - pricing and payment
  - promotional activities
- Drafting agreements to comply with UK and EU law
- What is the effect of a dominant position on agreements and corporate risk?
- Can a commercial agreement evidence a cartel?
- What types of commercial agreements might be affected • by merger control requirements?

### 4.30 Key Tax Considerations and Strategies in Structuring International Commercial Agreements

# Eric Tomsett, International Tax Partner **Deloitte & Touche LLP** (UK)

# Edward Jones, Senior Associate, Allen & Overy LLP (UK)

- · Key tax issues and strategies to be considered
- How to select the best structures for an international investment transaction
- Tax considerations for choice of entity
  - mergers and acquisitions
  - divestitures
  - joint ventures
- Transfers of technology, products and services
- Capital structures and offshore financing
- VAT, withholding, permanent establishment, transfer pricing and other issues
- Intercompany pricing matters
- Foreign tax credit planning and tax holidays
- Key accounting issues: consolidation and beyond

### **End of Day One** 5.15

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# DAY TWO AGENDA

### 8.30 Coffee

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8.45 **Chairs Introduction** 

Ellis Baker, Partner, White & Case LLP (UK)

### 9.00 **International Mergers & Acquisitions**

# Jan Wrede, Partner, Clifford Chance LLP (Germany)

- Assessing the market for cross-border M&A today understanding the effect of increasing consolidations what is the impact of the credit crunch?
- Understanding differences in UK vs US vs continental approaches
- Statutory v non-statutory regulation
- Deal structure and documentation
- Due diligence and project management

### 9.45 **Best Practices for Structuring International Outsourcing Agreements**

# Mark Turner, Partner, Herbert Smith LLP (UK)

- Identifying the risks of global outsourcing with emerging countries
  - staff employment and retention
  - ineffective legal enforcement
  - immature infrastructure \_
  - limited or non-existent intellectual property protection
  - lack of understanding of foreign laws
- How should you structure an international outsourcing agreement or BPO agreement?
  - master services agreement
  - country agreements: are they necessary?
  - checklist of common issues
- The importance of protection regarding:
  - security and confidentiality
  - legal compliance

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**ARBITRATION** 

CASE STUDY

- fees and payment
- proprietary rights
- auditing rights
- dispute resolution process
- Reviewing examples of successful international outsourcing agreements
- 10.30 **Morning Refreshments**

### 11.00 Planning for and Successfully Resolving International Disputes through the Use of Arbitration

# Jane Wessel, Counsel, Crowell & Moring LLP (UK)

- Deciding between international commercial arbitration v litigation in courts
  - recent trends and cases making the headlines
- Insight into choice of arbitration models and key arbitration institutions
- Effective drafting of international commercial arbitration clauses
- Governing law and dispute resolution clauses
- Understanding the United Nations Convention on • contracts for the international sale of goods
- When are alternative dispute resolution methods worth consideration?
  - conciliation
  - mediation
- How to develop strategies for minimising commercial disputes

### 11.45 Lessons from the Construction Industry on Negotiating an Effective International Agreement

Ellis Baker, Partner & Head of Construction and Engineering Practice, White & Case LLP (UK)

- Friend or foe across the table: negotiating traditional and collaborative contracts
- Understanding the dynamics of the relationship relative bargaining strength of the parties and the "market factor"
- Identifying the heart of the project: securing the objectives of the purchaser/client
  - the perspective of the supplier/contractor
- Approaching risk allocation issues: identifying the crunch questions on time and money
- Establishing the machinery for dealing with claims and dispute resolution from the outset

# 12.30 Networking Lunch

ANTI-CORRUPTION

# 00 Compliance Due Diligence Checklist for Corporate Transactions: How to Avoid the Common Pitfalls

# Heiner Hugger, Partner, Clifford Chance LLP (Germany)

Stephen Lewis, Partner & Head of Forensic Accounting, Clifford Chance LLP (UK)

- Case study examples of avoiding non-compliance pitfalls relating to anti-trust, anti-corruption, employment law and data protection when structuring your agreements
- How to identify potential high-risk issues and implement the correct checks and controls
  - identifying deficiencies in compliance systems
  - reducing the risk of anti-trust and anti-corruption violations
- Successful investigation techniques
  - what to investigate and why
  - forensic accounting and IT issues
- Data-protection and employment law issues
  - recognising the importance of local data protection and labour laws
  - how do they affect multi-jurisdictional transactions which invited affect and a particular
  - which jurisdictions do parties need to be particularly aware of now?
- How to comply with local reporting obligations

# 3.00 Afternoon Refreshments

# 3.30 Roundtable on International Transactions: Tips, Traps and Techniques

Gareth Jones, Partner, Nabarro LLP (UK)

Jane Wessel, Partner, Crowell & Moring LLP (UK)

Patrick Hubert, Partner, Clifford Chance LLP (France)

Stephen Lewis, Partner, Clifford Chance LLP (UK)

# Heiner Hugger, Partner, Clifford Chance LLP (Germany)

Our expert speaker faculty will give you their first hand tips, perspectives and experiences on international transactional work they have conducted. The session will also include a Q & A session to allow delegates to directly ask the experts any burning questions or discuss any current issues, trends, or ask for any hints and tips!

The discussion will include topics such as:

- · How early should you get involved?
- Setting realistic timeframes
- Managing international deals
- How to go about selecting local counsel
- · Successfully obtaining foreign investment approvals
- Managing the process
- Global "clout" and how to use it wisely
- Ensuring flexibility, fairness and patience
- Staying involved and providing ongoing support of overseas ventures

# 4.30 Conference Adjourns



# Post-Conference Workshop A Step-by-Step Guide to International Commercial Arbitration

# 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

Jane Wessel Counsel, Crowell & Moring LLP (UK) Associate Editor, Transnational Dispute Management Member, London Court of International Arbitration

# Joseph Tirado

# Partner & Head of International Arbitration & ADR Norton Rose LLP (UK)

Despite the fact that the majority of international contracts include an arbitration clause, many involved parties fail to recognise the unique problems that can arise during an international arbitration. This means that the problems must be recognised and planned for from the outset. This workshop is designed to build on the arbitration session in the main programme and to introduce you to the pitfalls of international arbitration, so you can learn how to minimise or avoid these pitfalls through proper planning and contract construction. Your workshop leaders will not only discuss the key decisions that must be made when drafting an international arbitration clause, they will also show you a series of flawed arbitration clauses and ask you to identify their defects. Your facilitators will then walk you through a mock ICC arbitration from start to finish, focusing on the legal, political and cultural issues that may rise and how to resolve these to your advantage. The workshop will also cover:

- Litigation v arbitration v mediation: what's right for your dispute?
  - are some types of disputes more suited to arbitration proceedings than others?
  - what are the current trends and statistics?
- Cost and time factors
- Confidentiality issues
- Standard clauses vs tailored clauses
- Disputes with governments: special considerations
- Special expertise of arbitrators
- Using ad hoc vs institutional arbitration
  - comparison of major international institutions and regional alternatives, including UNCITRAL, LCIA and the ICC

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