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IBA Maritime and Transport Law Conference: Shipping and Chartering in Challenging Times

7–8 May 2015

Swissôtel Métropole Geneva, Switzerland

A conference presented by the IBA Maritime and Transport Law Committee, supported by the IBA European Regional Forum

Topics will include:

- The restructuring and insolvency trend in the shipping sector – legal implications and cross jurisdictional strategies
- Commodity trade in volatile markets: new challenges
- Salvage: Costa Concordia – the challenges of spiralling wreck removal costs caused by 'mega' ships
- Topical issues and what you need to know about...

Who should attend?

Lawyers and company representatives involved in international maritime law and maritime regulatory compliance, vessel operations and/or acquisitions, and all those with an interest in maritime and transport law generally.



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Programme

Conference Co-Chairs

Jan Dreyer *Dabelstein & Passehl, Hamburg*

Ricardo Rozas *Jorquiera & Rozas Abogados, Santiago; Chair, IBA Maritime and Transport Law Committee*

Host Committee Chair

Elizabeth Leonhardt *General Counsel, SwissMarine Services SA, Geneva; Secretary, IBA Maritime and Transport Law Committee*

Thursday 7 May

0800 – 1700 **Registration**

0900 – 0915 **Introduction**

0915 – 1230 **SESSION ONE**

The restructuring and insolvency trend in the shipping sector – legal implications and cross-jurisdictional strategies

Following the 2008 world economic crisis, the shipping industry has been subject to the erratic rise and fall of the market. While the global financial conditions have improved over the past few years, the shipping crisis deepened in 2012 due to low supply and overcapacity, which in turn reduced charter party rates and asset values. The year 2013 saw some improvement in the market with short-lived spikes in freight rates, but overall rates and assets value remained low. The market continued to experience problems last year, with several major players filing for bankruptcy protection. This has meant that owners and charterers continue to struggle with losses, claims, operating expenses and financing costs.

This session will focus on how insolvency and restructuring in the shipping industry has effected vessel owners, cargo owners, charterers and mortgagees. Experts from the US, UK, Switzerland, China and South Africa will discuss how their clients are dealing with issues in key trading markets that affect their particular jurisdictions.

Session Chair

Neil Klein *McKasson & Klein, Irvine; North American Regional Representative, IBA Maritime and Transport Law Committee*

Speakers

Raphael Brunner *Benz Attorneys Limited, Zurich*

Jeb Clulow *Reed Smith, London*

Craig Cunningham *Bowman Gilfillan, Cape Town*

Leslie Shen *Clyde & Co, Shanghai*

Richard Singleton *Blank Rome, New York; Newsletter Editor, IBA Maritime and Transport Law*

1030 – 1100 **Coffee/tea break**

1230 – 1400 **Lunch**

1400 – 1700 **SESSION TWO**

Commodity trade in volatile markets: new challenges

The trading of commodities over the last five years has been affected by volatility in the market and a rising world demand for energy and natural resources. Coupled with logistical challenges, fast-changing international regulations, shifts in trading patterns, as well as health and safety risks relating to certain bulk commodities, this has resulted in a substantial litigation and arbitration. In this environment, commodity trade has become increasingly challenging.

This session will cover the full spectrum of international sales including soft commodities, oil and gas, and coal. Speakers will discuss topics that include cargo liquefaction, insurance related issues, assessment of damages arising from breach of contract, key risk areas in the storage of commodities, and recent developments in arbitrations.

Session Chair

Claudio Perrella *LS Lexjus Sinacta, Milan; Chair, IBA Land Transport Subcommittee*

Speakers

Su Yin Anand *Ince & Co, Hong Kong SAR*

Zarir Bharucha *Bharucha & Associates, Mumbai*

Yves De Cocker *Bettens De Cocker Van Hemelen, Antwerp*

Henri Najjar *DelViso-Avocats, Paris*

Andrea Papaioannu *Claims Expert, Swiss Re Corporate Solutions, Genoa*

1530 – 1600 **Coffee/tea break**

1930 **Conference dinner**

Restaurant Hôtel du Parc des Eaux-Vives

The conference dinner takes place in a magnificent, historical 18th century building overlooking the beautiful Parc des Eaux-Vives with fantastic views of Lake Geneva.

Transport will not be provided.

Ticket price: £95

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0830 – 1745 **Registration**

0930 – 1230 **SESSION THREE**

Salvage: Costa Concordia – the challenges of spiralling wreck removal costs caused by ‘mega’ ships

The shipping industry generally, and salvage industry in particular, is facing huge and unprecedented challenges when it comes to effective management of marine casualties. There are very few global players in the salvage market, with limited and ageing resources and the main players are perhaps increasingly risk adverse? Wreck removal costs are rising exponentially, due to ever larger vessels and an increasingly zero tolerance approach from coastal states producing an increasingly demanding political and legal environment. These problems are highlighted by recent casualties such as the *Rena* and, of course, the *Costa Concordia* (the most expensive wreck removal in history). We now have ultra large container vessels crossing the seas, VLBC and huge passenger vessels. Are these vessels too large to salvage? With the ice melting in the Arctic we can see new shipping patterns with large cruise ships outside Greenland and the Northern Sea Route being a new way to transport cargo from Europe to Asia. Up in the Arctic there are very limited salvage resources (if any). Is it possible to even handle a salvage in the Arctic? Port of refuge issues also abound. Despite clear IMO Guidance it is increasingly difficult to secure cooperation for the authorities to nominate a suitable place of refuge for a marine casualty. Active audience participation is anticipated and will be welcomed.

Session Chair

Erik Linnarsson *Advokatfirman Lindahl, Stockholm; Senior Vice Chair, IBA Maritime and Transport Law Committee*

Speakers

Andrew Chamberlain *Holman Fenwick Willan, London*

Nick Platt *Vice President, Gard UK Limited, London*

Marjan Schuringa *Award and Claims Manager, SMIT Salvage BV, Papendrecht, the Netherlands*

Kjersti Tusvik *Norwegian Coastal Administration, Oslo*

1030 – 1100 **Coffee/tea break**

1230 – 1400 **Lunch**

1400 – 1730 **SESSION FOUR**

Topical issues and what you need to know about....

This session will provide a legal update on recent developments within key jurisdictions for the shipping and trading industry. A panel of leading lawyers from Continental Europe, to southeast Asia and Australia will discuss hot topics and new legislation regarding maritime issues and arbitrations in their respective legal systems. Discussions will include developments and/or recurring issues that impact cross-border businesses and legal disputes. The session will allow for interactive discussions between the audience and panellists.

Session Chair

Elizabeth Leonhardt

Speakers

Johannes Grove Nielsen *Bech-Bruun, Copenhagen*

Joe Hurley *HVL Ebsworth Lawyers, Sydney*

Giovanna Montanaro *Schelleberg Wittmer, Zurich*

Marco Remiorz *Dabelstein & Passehl, Hamburg*

Corina Song *Allen & Gledhill, Singapore; Membership Officer, IBA Maritime and Transport Law Committee*

1530 – 1600 **Coffee/tea break**

1730 – 1745 **Closing remarks**

1745 – 1945 **Closing reception**

Swissôtel Métropole Geneva



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For conference delegates from jurisdictions where CPD/CLE is mandatory, the IBA will provide a Certificate of Attendance for the conference. Subject to CPD/CLE requirements, this can be used by conference delegates to obtain the relevant number of hours' accreditation.

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The organisers may at any time, with or without giving notice, in their absolute discretion and without giving any reason, cancel or postpone the conference, change its venue or any of the other published particulars, or withdraw any invitation to attend. In any case, neither the organisers nor any of their officers, employees, agents, members or representatives shall be liable for any loss, liability, damage or expense suffered or incurred by any person, nor will they return any money paid to them in connection with the conference unless they are satisfied not only that the money in question remains under their control but also that the person who paid it has been unfairly prejudiced (as to which, decision shall be in their sole and unfettered discretion and, when announced, final and conclusive).

Information

Date

7–8 May 2015

Venue

Swissôtel Métropole Geneva
Quai Général Guisan 34
1204 Geneva, Switzerland
Tel: +41 22 318 3200
Fax: +41 22 318 3300
Email: geneva@swissotel.com

Fees

Online registrations received:

	on or before 27 March	until 29 April
IBA member	£665	£755
Non-member *	£800	£890
Young lawyers (under 30 years)	£500	£890
Academics/judges (full-time)	£500	£890
Public lawyers	£500	£890
Corporate counsel	£600	£890
Guest	£50	£50
Conference dinner	£95	£95

After 29 April registrations must be received in hard copy at the IBA office.

Hard copy registration forms and fees received:

	on or before 27 March	after 27 March
IBA member	£740	£840
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Young lawyers (under 30 years)	£555	£990
Academics/judges (full-time)	£555	£990
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* By paying the non-member fee, we welcome you as a delegate member of the IBA for the year in which this conference is held, which entitles you to the following benefits:

- 1) Password access to certain parts of the IBA website.
- 2) Receipt of IBA E-news and access to online versions of IBA Global Insight.
- 3) Pay the member rate for any subsequent conference registrations for this calendar year.

If you would like to become a full or general member of the IBA, which includes membership of one committee or more – and inclusion in and access to our membership directory – we encourage you to do so now in order to register for this conference at the member rate. Full details of how to join can be found at www.ibanet.org.

A reduced rate is offered to lawyers who are over the age of 65, have been an IBA member for more than 20 years and are no longer practising law.

Full payment must be received in order to process your registration.

Language

All working sessions and conference materials will be in English.

How to register

Register online by 29 April at www.ibanet.org/conferences/conf610.aspx and make payment by credit card, to avail of the ten per cent online registration discount or complete the attached registration form and return it to Emily Ravenscroft at the IBA together with your payment. You should receive emailed confirmation of your registration within five days; if you do not then please contact Emily Ravenscroft at emily.ravenscroft@int-bar.org.

Fees include:

- Attendance at all working sessions
- Conference materials, including any available speakers' papers submitted to the IBA before 24 April.
- Access to the above conference working materials from the IBA website (www.ibanet.org) approximately seven days prior to the conference
- Access to mobile delegate search application
- Lunch on Thursday and Friday
- Tea and coffee during breaks
- Invitation to Closing reception on 8 May

Please note that registrations are not transferable.

Guest fees include:

- Invitation to Closing reception on 8 May

A guest must **not** be a member of the legal profession or seek to use the Conference as a business networking opportunity. Access to working sessions is not permitted for guests. Checks are made to ensure members of the legal profession are not registered as guests, if this is the case, registration will be refused unless the guest registers as a full delegate for the conference. **Only registered guests (ie, those paying the guest fee) are eligible to participate in the social programme.**

List of participants

In order for your name to appear in the list of participants, which will be distributed at the conference, your registration form must be received by 29 April at the latest.

Mobile delegate search application

All registered delegates will receive a printed list of participants at the conference, however delegates are now also able to use the mobile delegate search. This application has been developed to aid networking by giving delegates instant access to an up-to-date list of their fellow attendees, and comes with the added benefit of a built-in messaging service. All registered delegates with an internet or Wi-Fi-enabled device will have access, using their IBA username and password. Simply visit: m.ibanet.org/conf610.

Registration confirmation

All documentation regarding your attendance at the conference can now be obtained from the IBA website. Upon receipt of your payment for the conference a confirmation email will be sent containing instructions on how to download the documents. Registration confirmation will not be distributed by post.

Payment of registration fees

Pounds sterling: by cheque drawn on a UK bank and in favour of the International Bar Association. Please send to: 4th Floor, 10 St Bride Street, London EC4A 4AD, United Kingdom.

OR by bank transfer to the IBA account number: 13270222 (Sort Code 56-00-03) at the National Westminster Bank, St James's & Piccadilly Branch, 208 Piccadilly, London W1A 2DG, United Kingdom or SWIFT address NWBKGB2L, IBAN GB05NWBK56000313270222. Please ensure that a copy of the bank transfer details is attached to your registration form.

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Use the exchange rate prevailing at the time of registration.

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Use the exchange rate prevailing at the time of registration.

Credit card payments: by Visa, MasterCard or American Express. No other cards are accepted.

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All fees payable to us by you in accordance with the terms contained in this 'Information' section shall be paid free and clear of all deductions or withholdings whatsoever.

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Conference sell-outs

The IBA places its conference in venues of a suitable size for the event; however there are times when our conferences may sell out. Should this happen, prospective delegates will be informed and a waiting list will operate. The waiting list will function on a 'first come, first served' basis, subject to receiving registered delegate cancellations. The IBA will not be liable for any travel or accommodation expenses incurred by an individual who travels to the conference without a confirmed place at the event.

Cancellation of registration

If cancellation is received in writing at the IBA office by 10 April, fees will be refunded less a 25 per cent administration charge. We regret that no refunds can be made after this date. Registrations received after 10 April will not be eligible for any refund of registration fees.

Provided you have cancelled your registration to attend an IBA conference in accordance with the terms of the 'cancellation of registration' clause included in the 'Information' section of the relevant conference programme, you must then confirm to us in writing at the IBA office as soon as possible but in no event later than one year (12 calendar months) from the date of any such conference all necessary details to enable any reimbursement owed to you to be paid. We regret that no refunds will be made after the date that is one year (12 calendar months) after the date of the relevant conference.

Travel arrangements and visas

Participants are responsible for making their own travel arrangements. It is recommended that you check your visa requirements with your local embassy or consulate. We are unable to dispatch visa invitation letters to support your visa application prior to receipt of your registration form and full payment of registration fees.

Please apply for your visa in good time.

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Social programme

1930 Thursday 7 May

Conference dinner

Restaurant Hôtel du Parc des Eaux-Vives
82, quai Gustave-Ador
1211 Geneva 6

Ticket price: £95

Subject to availability

Transport will not be provided.

Social event ticket reservations cannot be guaranteed unless payment has been received before 3 May, subject to availability.

1745 – 1945 Friday 8 May

Closing reception

Swissôtel Métropole Geneva

This event is open to all delegates and registered guests.



Hotel accommodation

A limited number of rooms have been reserved at the Swissôtel Métropole Geneva for the nights of 6 and 7 May inclusive.

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1204 Geneva, Switzerland
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Email: geneva@swissotel.com

The following rates are per room, per night and inclusive of service charges and VAT. The rates are exclusive of breakfast and city tax.

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Cancellations may be made up until 48 hours prior to the date of arrival. Please note that in the event of any cancellations or no-shows, the full amount will be charged to the individual guest's credit card given at the time of booking.

Please note that any reservation made after 15 April will be subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed at the special IBA rate. As a limited number of rooms have been blocked at the hotel, availability cannot be guaranteed once the room block is full.

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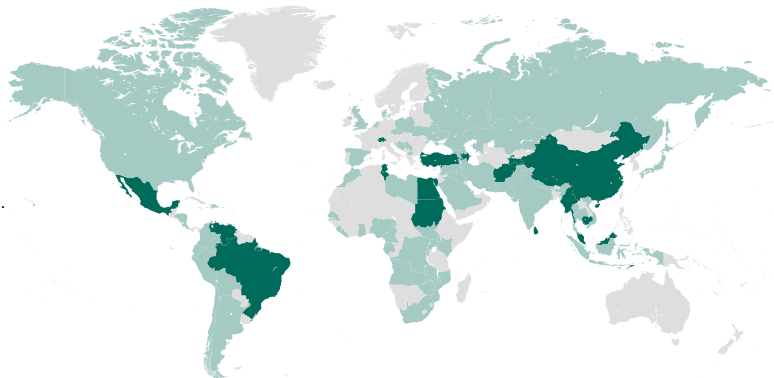


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Title _____ Given name _____ Family name _____

Name and country to be shown on badge *(if different from above)* _____

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Special dietary requirements _____

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Corporate counsel	£665	£990	£
Guest fee	£50	£50	£

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Social function

Conference dinner Number of tickets _____ @ £95 £

One dinner ticket for each delegate is permitted.

Social function ticket reservations are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed unless payment has been received before **3 May**.

TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE £

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Accommodation form

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Personal details (Please attach your business card or write in block capitals)

Title _____ Given name _____ Family name _____

Firm/company/organisation _____

Address _____

Tel _____ Fax _____

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Premier room 380 CHF per room per night

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Please reserve:

Premier room Swiss advantage room

Arrival date _____ Departure date _____

TO SECURE YOUR BOOKING THE HOTEL REQUIRES ONE NIGHT'S DEPOSIT PER ROOM.
CANCELLATIONS MAY BE MADE UP UNTIL 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THE DATE OF ARRIVAL.
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5–6 MAY 2015 CHICAGO, USA
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6–8 MAY 2015 BERLIN, GERMANY
18th Annual Transnational Criminal Law Conference

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14th Annual International Mergers & Acquisitions Conference

10–11 JUNE 2015 PARIS, FRANCE
13th Annual Anti-Corruption Conference

12–13 JUNE 2015 PHILADELPHIA, USA
3rd Annual World Life Sciences Conference

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Costs in International Arbitration

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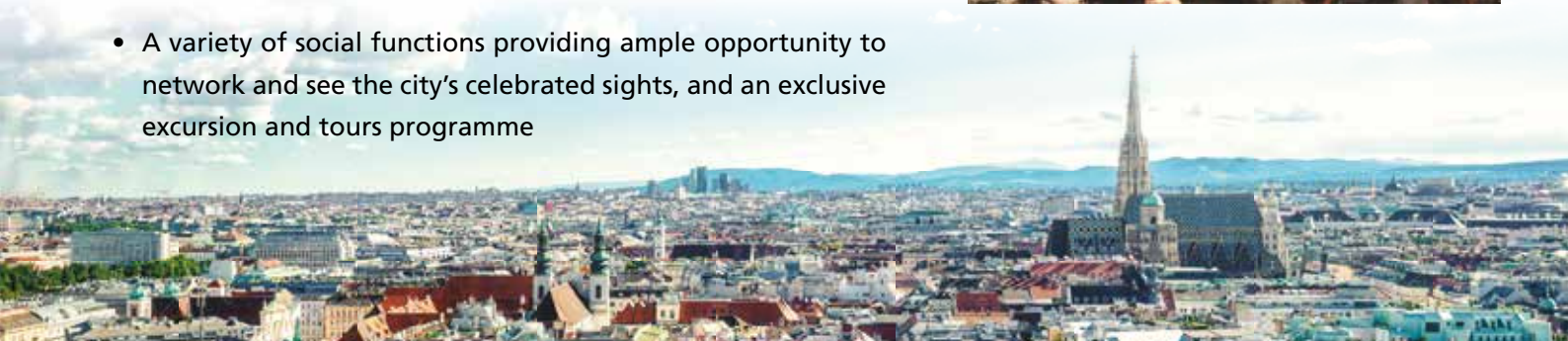
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In October 2015, the IBA Annual Conference will be held in the baroque splendour of Vienna, with its Hofburg Palace, Spanish riding school and famous Viennese coffee houses. More importantly, Vienna is the hub for Central and Eastern European business, with more than 1,000 international companies coordinating their regional activities from Austria. Over 300 international companies have their CCE headquarters in Vienna and it is the seat of several international organisations such as OPEC and the third United Nations Headquarters. With these links and connections Vienna is a fitting and inspiring setting for the International Bar Association's 2015 Annual Conference.

What will **Vienna 2015** offer?

- The largest gathering of the international legal community in the world – a meeting place of more than 5,000 lawyers and legal professionals from around the world
- Nearly 200 working sessions covering all areas of practice relevant to international legal practitioners
- The opportunity to generate new business with the leading firms in the world's key cities
- A registration fee that entitles you to attend as many working sessions throughout the week as you wish
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- A variety of social functions providing ample opportunity to network and see the city's celebrated sights, and an exclusive excursion and tours programme



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The **International Bar Association (IBA)**, established in 1947, is the world's leading organisation of international legal practitioners, bar associations and law societies. The IBA influences the development of international law reform and shapes the future of the legal profession throughout the world. It has a membership of more than 50,000 individual legal professionals and 205 bar associations and law societies spanning all continents and has considerable expertise in providing assistance to the global legal community.

Grouped into two divisions – the **Legal Practice Division** and the **Public and Professional Interest Division** – the IBA covers all practice areas and professional interests, providing members with access to leading experts and up-to-date information. Through the various committees of the divisions, the IBA enables an interchange of information and views among its members as to laws, practices and professional responsibilities relating to the practice of law around the globe. Additionally, the IBA's world-class conferences provide unrivalled professional development and network-building opportunities for international legal practitioners, senior business professionals, regulators and government officials.

IBA Maritime and Transport Law Committee

The Maritime and Transport Law Committee is one of the oldest and most well-established committees of the IBA. Formerly known as Committee A, it has more than 650 members worldwide.

The committee has a tradition of being the platform where leading maritime law professionals meet, create connections and discuss the most current legal issues in the field of maritime and transport law. The committee arranges a number of sessions on developments in maritime and transport law at the annual conferences of the IBA. Frequent half-year seminars are held in the world's maritime centres, and the committee is also active in cooperating with other organisations in the maritime law area such as Comite Maritime International, International Maritime Organization Legal Council, and maritime law societies in jurisdictions around the world.

The committee works for and supports the unification of maritime and transport law on a worldwide basis.

The committee enables members to:

- increase knowledge of maritime and transport issues throughout the world;
- improve client advice;
- meet fellow practitioners face-to-face; and
- become well-known to other competent specialists.

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IBA European Regional Forum

The European Regional Forum was established in 1989 to provide a focus originally on the work undertaken by the IBA in developing the practice under changing legal systems of lawyers in Eastern and Central Europe. The forum was also intended to act as a channel for IBA communication with the bar associations of these local lawyers.

Since 2004 the forum has been developing and strengthening the existence of the IBA within the whole of Europe by promoting the goals of the IBA to members, non-members and others, disseminating professional know-how, and assisting the committees and other constituencies of the IBA to increase their presence in the different sub-regions of Europe, including parts of North Africa and the Middle East.

The goals of the forum include addressing current and long-term needs of professional organisations and individual members within the geographical reach of the forum, as well as increasing membership and participation in the IBA and integrating them within the organisation. The forum will also facilitate cross-border activity between lawyers and bars in different European countries. The forum has a particular focus on cross-disciplinary activities.

The forum seeks to facilitate relevant networking and information/experience sharing opportunities and encompasses the social and collegial interests of both members and potential members with other regional fora, the Corporate Counsel Forum and the Young Lawyers Committee and all LPD committees in general.

At present the forum has 7700 members and its numbers continue to increase as it becomes one of the most integrated and dynamic fora of the IBA.

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