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Dear Litigators,

While the summer is coming to its end, it is time for our congress to start.

Are you ready for Brussels? We look forward to meeting you next week in the European capital. As you are aware, the congress always is a very busy time with many events, both academic and social, taking place. Here is a brief recap of the top relevant events for our commission, so make sure to pencil them in your diary not to miss them:

Litigation working session will take place at the opening of the Congress on Wednesday 29 August 2018 at 9am. Our commission will hold a session together with Arbitration, Commercial Fraud and insolvency commissions on the topic: "*Dispute resolution in an ever more globalised world:*

When litigating sails abroad". Various panels and key-note speakers will discuss the globalization of the dispute resolution mechanisms with a particular emphasis on the international courts created in various jurisdictions to deal with cross-boarder cases. In a time where many uncertainties remain in connection with Brexit and its possible impact on London as a well-known place for international commercial disputes, the role of such international courts is becoming of particular importance. The French judge chairing the newly set up international court in Paris will be there and give us a key-note speech on the very recent Paris experience.

Commission meeting of the litigation commission: will take place on Wednesday at 4pm at the hotel of the congress. Make sure to be there to take an active role in our commission and why not, in the organization of one of our future events. We look forward to welcoming you and your ideas next Wednesday, so be there!

Should you be unable to attend Brussels, you will find a recap of our scheduled future events in this newsletter. Do not hesitate to be in touch with one of the officer of the commission (Arnaldo Lacayo, Damien Devot or myself) should you be interested in taking part of one of those events or should you be willing to organize a new event. We are always keen on receiving new ideas and/or volunteers.

We wish you an amazing congress with many memories to take back home after a week of intense legal discussions and networking.

See you in Brussels.

Best regards,

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1. PAST EVENTS AND COMMISSION MEETINGS

Since the last newsletter (No. 16 – October 2017) the Litigation Commission has been involved in the following events:

- Half Year November Conference, Girona, 18-21 November 2017
- Double Winter Seminar: Sector specific M&A on the rise // Surviving after death how to avoid nightmare estate, Valbella, 21-24 January 2018
- The Challenges Of Compliance And Anti-Corruption, Recife, 22-24 March 2018
- Half Year May Conference in Warsaw, 23-26 May 2018

The last Commission meeting was held in Warsaw. The minutes are attached and are also available on AIJA's website.

2. UP-COMING EVENTS

The Litigation Commission will be involved in the following up-coming events:

• Annual Congress, Brussels, 28 August to 1 September 2018

The Litigation Commission is working with the International Aribtration, Commercial Fraud and Insolvency Commissions to host a Working Session entitled "Dispute resolution in an ever more globalized world: When litigating sails abroad". This will consist of three panels looking at various aspects of modern international commercial litigation, and two high profile key note speakers: Mrs Fabienne Schaller, a judge at the new chamber for international commercial cases, in the Court of Appeal in Paris and Mrs Marie-Aimée Peyron, President of the Paris Bar. The working session will take place from 9 to 12 on Wednesday 29 August 2018. Don't miss it!

The Litigation Commission's meeting will be on Wednesday 29 August at 4pm in Brussels. Please attend if you can.

The program is all set and posted on the AIJA homepage. The link to the program and the registration can be found <u>here</u>.

• Double Seminar: Art Law Today and Bank Recovery and Resolution, London 11 to 13 October

This promises to be a fantastic double seminar, to be held in London's famous British Library, home to one of the last four surviving copies of Magna Carta. The conference hotel will be the iconic 5 star Renaissance Hotel situated within the Eurostar terminal at St Pancras station, and attendees will be entitled to preferential rates.

Litigators will find plenty of interest in both the Art and Banking Seminars, and, just as importantly, the social programme is not to be missed with welcome drinks at the Wallace Collection on Thursday evening, dinner at Mark Hix's Tramshed restaurant in Shoreditch on Friday, a voluntary street art tour on Saturday afternoon, and Home Hospitality on Saturday evening.

Registration is now open and the programme is uploaded on the AIJA homepage here.

• Annual Litigation Conference, Miami, 31 October to 2 November 2019

A date for your diaries for now – more information to follow in our next newsletter!

3. NEXT COMMISSION MEETING

The Litigation Commission's meeting will be held in Brussels at 4pm on Wednesday 29 August 2018.

IDEAS AND PLANS FOR FUTURE EVENTS

If you have any idea in mind, new projects or comment on the works of our Commission, please contact the officers of the Commission, i.e. Aurélie Conrad Hari (<u>aurelie.conradhari@baerkarrer.ch</u>), Damien Devot (<u>ddevot@meyerfabre.com</u>), and Arnoldo Lacayo (<u>alacayo@sequorlaw.com</u>), who would be very happy to hear from you.

Moreover, please note that some of the above mentioned seminars are proposed or are only at early stages and that you are more than welcome to get involved in their organization.

4. COMMISSION DOCUMENTS

The latest Commission's meeting minutes can be found <u>here</u>.

5. PUBLICATIONS

The Litigation Commission would be delighted to include your articles in the next newsletter. Please contact <u>c.caliandro@dejalex.com</u> and <u>jlegallais@petersandpeters.com</u> to discuss this.

6. NEW CONTACT DETAILS

The Litigation Commission wants to give its members the possibility to tell the other members about changes of their address, their law firm or that they became in-house counsels. Do not hesitate to contact <u>c.caliandro@dejalex.com</u> and <u>jlegallais@petersandpeters.com</u> telling them your new contact details and sending a photo.

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