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Invitation to the  
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Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the editors of the European Company and Financial Law Review (ECFR), the editors of the Revue des sociétés (Daloz), and the University of Luxembourg, I would kindly like to invite you to the Seventh ECFR Symposium, which will take place in

**Luxemburg, Luxembourg, on Friday, September 28, 2012 (9.00 – ca. 18.00) on**

**1) Corporate Governance: Duties and Liabilities of Board Members**

**and**

**2) The Transfer of Seat (afternoon session).**

The ECFR Conference will be held in the Luxembourg Chamber of Commerce, 7, rue Alcide de Gasperi, Luxembourg-Kirchberg, L-2981 Luxembourg. The Conference will be held in English.

On the basis of talks by both academics and practitioners, our conference schedule will visit the following topics:

## **Opening remarks**

Pierre Gramegna  
(Director, Chamber of Commerce, Luxembourg)

Heribert Hirte  
(Professor, University of Hamburg, Germany)

Pierre-Henri Conac  
(Professor, University of Luxembourg, Luxembourg)

## **Morning Session I: Duties and Liabilities of Board Members in Investment Funds** President: Heribert Hirte

The Legal Situation in Luxembourg and in Europe  
(Isabelle Riassetto, Professor, University of Luxembourg, Luxembourg)

The View of the Industry  
(Claude Kremer, President of the European Fund and Asset Management Association - EFAMA,  
Brussels, Partner at Arendt & Medernach, Luxembourg)

The View of the Luxembourg Regulator  
(Simone Delcourt, Member of the Executive Board of the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur  
Financier, CSSF, Luxembourg)

– Morning break –

## **Morning Session II: Duties and Liabilities of Board Members in Listed Companies** President: Niamh Moloney (Professor, London School of Economics, London)

Mapping Directors' Duties: Current Trends and Developments in the EU  
(Carsten Gerner-Beuerle, Senior Lecturer, London School of Economics and Edmund Schuster,  
Lecturer, London School of Economics)

A Case Based Study on Duties and Liabilities of Board Members  
(Theis Klauberg, bnt attorneys-at-law, Riga, Latvia)

Risk Management, Procedures and Company Law  
(Dirk Zetzsche, Professor, University of Liechtenstein)

### Duties and Liabilities of Independent Board Members

(Erich Vermeulen, Professor of Law and Management [Faculty of Law, Tilburg University], Professor of Financial Market Regulation [Tilburg Law and Economics Center] and Vice President Philips Corporate Legal Department [Corporate and Financial Law Group], Philips N.V., Eindhoven, Netherlands)

– Lunch break –  
(Walking Lunch in the Chamber of Commerce)

### **Afternoon Session I: Related Parties Transactions**

President: Isabelle Urbain-Parleani (Professor, Université Paris Descartes, Paris, France)

#### Conflict of Interest, Secrecy and Insider Information

(Klaus Hopt, Emeritus Professor, Max-Planck Institut für Ausländisches und Internationales Privatrecht, Hamburg, Germany)

#### The OECD Report on Related Party Transactions and Minority Shareholder Rights (Belgium, France, Italy, Israel and India)

(Daniel Blume and Grant Kirkpatrick, OECD, Paris)

#### Director's Duties in Groups of Companies – Legalizing the Interest of the Group at the European Level

(Pierre-Henri Conac, Professor, University of Luxembourg, Luxembourg)

– Afternoon break –

### **Afternoon Session II: The Transfer of Seat**

President: Marco Ventoruzzo (Director, Max Planck Institute for International, European, Regulatory and Procedural Law, Luxembourg, Professor, Bocconi University, Milan, Italy, and Penn State Dickinson School of Law, U.S.A.)

#### The Proposal of the Directive on the Transfer of Seat and the Vale Case

(Jesper Lau Hansen, Professor, University of Copenhagen, Denmark)

#### Corporate Mobility in the EU - a Flash in the Pan?

(Georg Ringe, Professor, Copenhagen Business School, Copenhagen, Denmark)

### **Closing remarks**

(Marcus Lutter, Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. mult., University of Bonn, Germany)

Please let us know whether you would like to attend the conference by returning the attached form by, at the latest, **August 20th**. As soon as we receive your confirmation, we will arrange a room in Luxemburg, Luxemburg, for you according to your specification. The cost of accommodation will be billed to you separately by the hotel. The cost of participation in the conference is 100 Euros (exemption from the registration fee for academics and young scholars upon request). Additional 50 Euros per person will be charged for participating in the conference dinner, which will be held on 27 September 2012 at 8 p.m. in the Restaurant Oro e Argento, Sofitel Luxembourg Europe, 4, Rue du Fort Niedergrunewald, Quartier Européen Nord, Plateau de Kirchberg, 2015 Luxembourg, Luxembourg (phone (+352)437761 - (+352)425091).

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Kind regards  
Yours

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