

## Speakers

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**The objective** of this conference is:

to meet the requirements of company law specialists to stay informed on the latest developments in legislation, jurisprudence and best practice in this field.

**Key topics** include:

- the most recent European Commission initiatives in company law;
- corporate governance and compliance in the current economic context;
- a review of the experience with the European Company (SE);
- the state of play of the European Private Company (SPE) statute;
- the consequences of the *Cartesio* ruling (C-210/06) as the latest episode in the *Centros-Überseering* saga;
- an overview of the EU company law tools available for a transfer of seat.

**Target group** is primarily:

lawyers in private practice and in-house counsel.

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## ANNUAL CONFERENCE EU COMPANY LAW 2010

Corporate governance & compliance, European company (SE), European private company (SPE), transfer of seat

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Jean-Philippe Rageade

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## Monday, 22 March 2010

09:00 Arrival and registration of participants

09:30 **Welcome and presentation of the programme**  
*Jean-Philippe Rageade*

Chair: *Pierre-Henri Conac*

09:40 **Most recent European Commission initiatives in company law**  
*Corinna Ullrich*

10:30 Coffee break

### Session 1: Views on corporate compliance and governance in the current economic context

11:00 **The adoption of internal compliance models aimed at preventing crimes:**

- **Compliance from the perspective of a global company**
- **Advising companies on developing a compliance programme**

*Christoph Klahold*

*Thomas B. Courtney*

12:30 Lunch

14:00 **Need for more or better corporate governance as a response to the financial crisis?**  
*Vanessa Knapp*

14:40 **Mandatory limit to executive remunerations:**

- **A comparative analysis**  
*Maria Cristina Ungureanu*
- **European Commission recent communications**  
*Corinna Ullrich*

15:30 Coffee break

### Session 2: Focus on current and future European legal forms

16:00 **Experiences with the European Company (SE):**

- **Assessing the effectiveness and usefulness of the SE statute – a 5 year review**  
*Paul Storm*
- **A practitioner's experience with the SE**  
*Hans-Konrad Res*

17:30 End of the first day

19:30 Evening programme

## Tuesday, 23 March 2010

Chair: *Claudia Schmidt*

09:00 **Towards a European Private Company (SPE) statute:**

- **What do we need the SPE for?**

*Harm-Jan de Kluiver*

- **The seat of the SPE and employee participation still in debate**

*Luis Aguilera Ruiz*

10:30 Coffee break

### Session 3: Transfer of seat within the EU – where do we stand?

11:00 **Understanding *Cartesio* and the consequences**

*Massimo Benedettelli*

12:00 **Reflections on the various European company law tools available to a practitioner for a transfer of seat – is there still a need for a "14th Company Law Directive"?**

*Claudia Schmidt et alii*

13:00 End of the conference

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