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After the success of its first edition, ECLA and ERA are joining forces again for the second edition of the European Forum for In-House Counsel, combining the pragmatism of an in-house lawyer association with the expertise of a first-class European training institute. The event will continue to be organised on an annual basis.

The European Forum for In-House Counsel aims at creating a forum for the exchange of practical experience and academic knowledge between all in-house counsel and other lawyers involved in business affairs.

This seminar will provide in-house counsel with a comprehensive overview of and a practical insight into recent developments in the areas of European law with which an in-house counsel is confronted.

The event will consist of three half-day sessions in different fields of European law:

- Latest innovations in the area of Company Law;
- Current issues of Competition Law;
- Certain aspects of European Civil Procedure and Contract Law.Æ

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Thursday, 10 May 2007

09:00 Registration of Participants

09:30 **Welcome Words**
Jean-Philippe Rageade, ERA
Bengt Gustafson, ECLA

Session I. European Company Law

10:00 **Barriers to Takeover Bids**
Steve Nash

10:45 Questions / Discussion

11:00 Coffee break

11:15 **Company Board's Responsibilities**
Directive 2006/46/EC
Mauro Gigante

12:00 Questions / Discussion

12:15 Lunch

13:15 **Cross-Border Voting: Proposal for a Directive on the Exercise of Shareholders' Voting Rights**
Luc Athlan

14:00 Questions / Discussion

14:15 **Case Studies of Good Corporate Governance Practices**
René van Rooij
Viviane de Beaufort

15:15 Questions / Discussion

15:30 Reception/Æ

17:30 End of the First Conference Day

Friday, 11 May 2007

Session II. European Competition Law

09:00 **Merger Control Update:**
▶ **Major cases and recent trends in Europe**
▶ **Evaluation after two years of the new EU merger control system**
Denis Waelbroek

09:45 Questions / Discussions

10:00 **Abuse of Dominant Position: Update on the Review of Art. 82**
Luc Peeperkorn

10:45 Questions / Discussions

11:00 Coffee break

11:30 **Round Table Discussion: Private Enforcement of Antitrust Rules**

Chair: John Ratliff

Panel: Isabelle Cretenet
Bruno Gencarelli
Gero Meessen
José Rivas

12:45 Questions / Discussions

13:00 Lunch

Session III. European Private Law

14:30 **Which law applies to contractual cross-border disputes? From the Rome Convention to the "Rome I" Regulation**
Christian Dumitrescu

15:00 **The proposed Rome I Regulation – Practical Issues**
Joost Linnemann

15:30 Questions / Discussions

15:45 Coffee break

16:15 **Collection and enforcement of claims: Overview of new and proposed EU instruments:**
▶ **European Enforcement Order**
▶ **European Small Claims Procedure**
▶ **European Payment Order**
▶ **Cross-border Attachment of Bank Accounts**
Xandra Kramer

17:15 Questions / Discussion

17:30 End of the conference

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