

WEDNESDAY, 15 MAY

18:30 – 20:30

EARLY ARRIVALS NO HOST DINNERS

If you are arriving in time for dinner, SCG Legal will coordinate the opportunity for you to dine with fellow network members from around the globe. Please contact Erin Kane (ekane@scglegal.com) to be included in reservations.

THURSDAY, 16 MAY

8:00 – 17:00

WELCOME DESK | CHECK-IN & ON-SITE REGISTRATION

9:00 – 11:30

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Beauchamps

10:00 – 11:30

PRACTICE GROUP MEETING | MERGERS & ACQUISITION (M&A)

Shannon Suite

All M&A attorneys are welcome to attend.

11:30 – 13:00

PRACTICE GROUP WORKING LUNCH | LITIGATION

Shannon Suite

All litigation attorneys are welcome to attend.

11:30 – 13:00

INFORMAL NETWORKING LUNCH | CATCH UP WITH SCG LEGAL'S BOARD & TEAM

Forbes Street

Please join us for this pre-event networking lunch, especially if it is your first SCG Legal meeting. **Advance registration is not required.**

13:00 – 13:30

CATCH UP WITH MEMBERS | COFFEE, CONFECTIONS & CONNECTIONS

Marker Suite

Reception Area

13:30 – 14:00

WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS

Marker Suite

14:00 – 15:00

GLOBAL DIPLOMACY KEYNOTE | FIRESIDE CHAT WITH BERTIE AHERN, FORMER IRISH TAOISEACH (PRIME MINISTER) & LIZ O'DONNELL, FORMER GOVERNMENT MINISTER OF STATE

Marker Suite

15:00 – 15:20

#RAPIDINSIGHTS | BEYOND THE CLICK: EXPLORING THE INTERSECTIONS OF TARGETED ADVERTISING AND PRIVACY REGULATIONS

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- Frederik Kromann Jespersen, Skau Reipurth (Denmark)

15:20 – 15:40

#RAPIDINSIGHTS | KEEPING IT REAL: THE CHALLENGE OF AUTHENTICITY IN THE DEEFAKE ERA

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- Darren Cahr, Scharf Banks Marmor (US: Chicago, IL)

15:40 – 16:00

NETWORKING BREAK

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Reception Area

16:00 – 17:00

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SESSION | INTERNATIONAL DISPUTE DYNAMICS: NAVIGATING ARBITRATION Vs. LITIGATION

Arbitration and litigation stand as prominent methods frequently delineated in dispute resolution clauses. Despite their shared objective – to resolve disputes – these processes diverge fundamentally. This session will offer valuable insights into the nuanced intricacies of each method, providing practical perspectives for effective dispute resolution strategies.

- **Guillermo Bayas Fernández, AGM Abogados (Spain)**
- **Mark Davison, Mills & Reeve (UK)**
- **Verónica Esquivel-Patiño, Sánchez Devanny (Mexico)**
- **Porfírio Moreira, Ferreira Pinto Cardigos (Portugal)**
- **Thomas O'Dwyer, Beauchamps (Ireland)**

17:00

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17:45 – 18:15

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WOMEN IN LAW MEETUP

18:15 – 19:15

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WELCOME RECEPTION | ALL MEMBERS

19:30 – 21:30

NO HOST DINNERS

As has become tradition, SCG Legal organizes No Host Dinners at local restaurants to encourage networking and to foster fellowship while enjoying dinners at local restaurants. These dinners are purposely organized as small group reservations and the bill is split by those at the table. An invitation to participate is sent to all registered event attendees.

FRIDAY, 17 MAY

8:00 – 17:00

WELCOME DESK | CHECK-IN & ON-SITE REGISTRATION

8:00 – 9:00

Forbes Street

NETWORKING BREAKFAST

9:00 – 10:00

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SESSION | THE INTERSECTION OF BUSINESS OF LAW AND TECHNOLOGY

From the use of artificial intelligence (AI) to automating repetitive tasks, the practice of law is not what it used to be...and there is no turning back. The impacts of new technologies in the legal industry are now being experienced everywhere. November 2023 Wolters Kluwer's Future Ready Lawyer Report notes that 73% of lawyers globally are either currently using AI or expecting to be using AI in the next 12 months, indicating a willingness to embrace a wide range of technologies to practice law more efficiently. This session will focus on the intersection of technology and law, explaining how innovative tech platforms can offer more sophisticated professional development and business development opportunities.

- **Shane Branagan, Thread Legal Software (Ireland)**
- **Alina Gorokhovskiy, SCG Legal (US: Washington, D.C.)**
- **Duane Pozza, Wiley (US: Washington, D.C.)**
- **Simon Thompson, Mills & Reeve (UK)**

10:00 – 11:00

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SESSION | NAVIGATING EXCELLENCE: INSIGHTS FROM LEGAL INDUSTRY LEADERS

Esteemed leaders from global law firms will offer their perspectives on a range of topics from navigating the landscape of innovation to administrative excellence to transformative cultural shifts within firms as well as address challenges prevalent in the legal industry. This discussion will include a strategic perspective on environmental, social, and governance (ESG) programs; optimal practices for managing hybrid workforces; initiatives to foster diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI); establishment of meaningful community partnerships; and a review of programs and events recently launched or enhanced that bolster and support mentorship and professional development activities with firms.

- **Wayne Egan, WeirFoulds (Canada: Ontario)**
- **Douglas Gold, Mitchell Silberberg & Knupp (US: Los Angeles, CA)**
- **Bee Hong Ooi, Rosli Dahlan Saravana Partnership (Malaysia)**
- **Justin Ripman, Mills & Reeve (UK)**

11:00 – 11:15

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NETWORKING BREAK

11:15 – 12:15

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SESSION | MERGING WORLDS: ANALYZING RISKS & REWARDS IN CROSS-BORDER M&A VENTURES

With companies looking for opportunities to expand in new places, cross-border M&As have emerged as one of the best ways to gain new market and customer access. As cross-border deal activity increases, companies need to consider the risks and rewards associated with pursuing these ventures versus making greenfield investments. This session examines the issues for which companies must prepare when engaging in such deals and offers insights on how these complexities can be successfully managed.

- **Debby McKey-Durán, Sánchez Devanny (Mexico)**
- **Shaun O'Shea, Beauchamps (Ireland)**

12:15 – 13:30

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Hibernia Aqueduct,
and Carmac
Hamilton*

NETWORKING LUNCH | PRACTICE GROUP MEETUPS

The following Practice Groups are planning to gather: Bankruptcy, Energy, Government Relations, Life Science/Healthcare, Insurance, Intellectual Property, Real Estate and Tax.

13:30 – 14:15

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SESSION | LEGAL PRACTICES IN HIGHER EDUCATION WORLDWIDE

The higher education sector stands as one of the world's largest global industries, characterized by ongoing collaborations and investments among the Asia-Pacific, U.S., and Europe. Educational institutions uniquely straddle the realms of the public, private, and nonprofit sectors, giving rise to a distinctive set of legal and regulatory challenges. This session will delve into the unique legal landscape shaping higher education institutions worldwide. Discussion points will include an exploration of legal structures and regulations influencing these institutions, shedding light on crucial aspects such as international partnerships, collaborations, and joint academic initiatives as well as the legal considerations surrounding digital and online learning initiatives.

- **Vinita Bahri-Mehra, Kegler Brown Hill + Ritter (US: Ohio)**
- **Pat McInerney, Beauchamps (Ireland)**
- **Martin Priestley, Mills & Reeve (UK)**
- **Maxime Seno, Veil Jourde (France)**

14:15 – 14:45

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FIRESIDE CHAT | CYBERSECURITY INSIGHTS: LESSONS LEARNED FROM LAW FIRM BREACHES

- Erika Carrasco, Field Law (Canada: Alberta)
- Stephan Menzemer, GvW Graf von Westphalen (Germany)

14:45 – 15:30

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SESSION | DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION EXCELLENCE: IMPLEMENTING BEST PRACTICES FOR MAXIMUM IMPACT

- Michele Bisceglie, SCG Legal (US: Washington, D.C.)
- Celeste Bruce, Rifkin Weiner Livingston (US: Maryland)
- Sophia Makris, McGinnis Lochridge (US: Texas)
- Tom Pickthorn, Mills & Reeve (UK)

15:30 – 15:50

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#RAPIDINSIGHTS | REBUILDING UKRAINE: ADVANCEMENTS IN ENERGY AND INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

- Sergiy Oberkovych, GOLAW (Ukraine)

15:50 – 16:10

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NETWORKING BREAK

16:10 – 16:30

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#RAPIDINSIGHTS | INSIDER'S VIEW: NAVIGATING ISRAELI BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT AMIDST POLITICAL CHALLENGES

- Stephen Barak Rozen, Amit, Pollak, Matalon & Co (Israel)

16:30 – 17:30

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SESSION | GLOBAL POLITICAL DYNAMICS: U.S. ELECTIONS AND THE SHIFTING POLITICAL LANDSCAPE

This session will feature a vibrant discussion unraveling the intricate connections between U.S. elections and the ever-evolving global political scene. Delving into the profound impacts of political shifts, the conversation will expand to examine how changes in political parties in the US resonate within the global business community. Gain valuable insights into the complex interplay that shapes global political and economic landscapes.

- Don Bolia, Peachtree Government Relations (US: Georgia)
- Chad Causey, Rose Law Firm (US: Arkansas)
- Steve Tugend, Kegler Brown Hill + Ritter (US: Ohio)
- Alice van der Schee, Van Benthem & Keulen (The Netherlands)

17:30

CLOSING SESSION & REMARKS

18:30

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TRANSPORTATION TO RECEPTION & CLOSING BANQUET

18:45 – 22:00

*The Shelbourne
Hotel Great Room*

RECEPTION & CLOSING BANQUET

The Shelbourne Hotel is a historic hotel situated in a landmark building on the north side of St Stephen's Green, one of the largest green squares in Europe. It was named for William Petty, 2nd Earl of Shelburne. In 1922, the Constitution of the Irish Free State was drafted in room 112, now known as The Constitution Room. The facade was refurbished in 2016, winning an award from the Irish Georgian Society.

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2025 Midyear Meeting in Barcelona (Spain) ❖ May 15 – 16

2025 Annual Meeting in Austin, TX (U.S.) ❖ September 18 – 19