

Dear Colleagues,

We are thrilled that you have accepted our invitation to take part in the **Schellenberg Wittmer's White-Collar Crime Symposium for Young Practitioners** – a workshop designed to bring together a select group of young lawyers for meaningful exchanges and interactive dialogue on relevant topics in white-collar crime, internal investigation and compliance matters.

It is our privilege to have received such positive responses from accomplished speakers and lawyers from seventeen jurisdictions and to be welcoming you all soon in Geneva. We hope that the program we have prepared and the activities we have planned will contribute to creating stimulating debates and fostering cross-border connections among the next generation of white-collar crime litigators, in a collegial and friendly atmosphere.

We are counting on you to share your knowledge and experiences to make this a memorable and enriching event!

See you soon!



Benjamin Borsodi

Head of White Collar Crime and Internal Corporate Investigation in Geneva



Peter Burckhard

Head of Dispute Resolution, White Collar Crime and Compliance and Corporate Investigation in Zurich

About us

Schellenberg Wittmer is a leading Swiss business law firm with more than 150 lawyers in Geneva and Zurich, and an office in Singapore. The firm has been practicing in its current form for over 20 years.

Our headquarters in Geneva and Zurich, covering the whole of Switzerland, provide a comprehensive range of legal services to a worldwide client base of domestic and international companies and entrepreneurs. We take care of all legal needs – transactions, advisory and disputes.

Our Singapore office provides a gateway to the Asian market, enabling us to assist clients with their inbound and outbound investments in Asia. We also represent clients in connection with international arbitration matters in all major Asian cities.

Schellenberg Wittmer is recognized as a top-tier Swiss law firm by leading directories such as Chambers & Partners, The Legal 500, and Lexology Index. Most recently, Schellenberg Wittmer was awarded "Switzerland Firm of the Year" at the Women in Business Law Awards 2025. In 2024, we were awarded "Boutique/Regional Investigations Practice of the Year" by Global Investigations Review.



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Our White-Collar Crime Practice

Schellenberg Wittmer has a leading white-collar crime practice in Switzerland with highly renowned teams in Geneva and Zurich.

The firm has advised on some of the most prominent white-collar crime cases in the market.

The firm's white-collar crime practice is today made up of a multi-disciplinary array of practitioners with extensive experience from law enforcement authorities and courts bringing together a strong investigation, criminal law and dispute resolution expertise.

The firm has extensive experience in the representation of corporations, financial institutions, boards of directors, management and other individuals in connection with international and national government investigations, internal corporate investigations, and criminal prosecutions by Swiss or foreign authorities in fields such as money laundering, corruption or sanctions regulation.



Learn more about our department



Meet our External Speakers



Frédéric Pierucci (Keynote Speaker) Founding partner, Ikarian, Paris

Frédéric Pierucci (MSc ENSMA, MBA Columbia Business School) is a former ALSTOM executive with extensive international experience having lived and worked in China,

the United States, Algeria, the United Kingdom, Singapore and France.

During a business trip to the United States in 2013, he was arrested by the FBI at JFK airport while getting off the plane, accused of "participating in an alleged corruption scheme in Indonesia as part of a contract that ALSTOM obtained in 2003."

With this unique experience and expertise, in 2015 he created IKARIAN, a consulting firm whose purpose is to assist and advise its clients on the challenges that companies and their managers face in complying with the Foreign Corruption Practice Act (FCPA), the UK Bribery Act (UKBA), the Sapin 2 Law and other anti-corruption laws or standards such as ISO 37001.

Frédéric is the author, with the journalist Matthieu Aron, of the bestseller "Le Piège américain" (Editions JC Lattès, January 2019) translated into many languages including English under the title "The American trap" (Hodder & Stoughton, November 2019) and winner of the "Prix littéraire des Droits de l'Homme 2019"

Frédéric is also one of the founding members of the French Economic Intelligence Observatory created in 2019. Frédéric teaches lawfare and legal intelligence at HEC, Sciences Po, the Ecole de Guerre Economique and regularly intervenes in the french generalist grandes écoles (incl. X, Ponts, ENSTA), the French schools of economic intelligence (ILERI, EEIE) and foreign universities (incl. Xinhua, Georgetown University, Hong Kong University).

He is also regularly involved in the economic intelligence training programs of IHEDN, IHEMI, ENM, EFB, AFTE, AFJE, etc.



Sonja Maeder Morvant

Group Head of Legal, Edmond de Rothschild, Geneva

Sonja Maeder Morvant is Group Head of Legal at Edmond de Rothschild, in Geneva. Prior to joining the Edmond de Rothschild Group, she practiced as a lawyer mainly in complex litigation, particularly in

the areas of economic crime, mutual legal assistance in criminal matters, and compliance.



Samantha Miller

Global Head of Anti-Bribery & Corruption Compliance, Gunvor, Geneva

Samantha Miller is the Global Head of Antibribery and Corruption (ABC) Compliance at Gunvor Group, where she leads the company's global efforts

to ensure the Company implements an ABC program designed to effectively prevent and detect bribery and corruption risk, as well as mitigate other financial crime risk.

Prior to joining Gunvor, she served as litigation counsel at O'Melveny & Myers LLP in New York, specializing in white collar defense and corporate investigations.

Samantha holds a J.D. and a Master's in Education from the University of Pennsylvania, and brings a multidisciplinary approach to compliance, combining legal rigor with a deep commitment to institutional integrity.



Sylvie Bertrand-Curreli

Judge at the Geneva Criminal Court

After passing the bar exam in 2014, Sylvie Bertrand-Curreli worked until 2017 at the Office of the Attorney General of Switzerland as an Assistant Federal Prosecutor, where she

specialized in white-collar crime, corruption, and economic crime cases. She then joined Schellenberg Wittmer's litigation department from 2017 to 2020 as an attorney. In June 2020, she was appointed as a Prosecutor with the Geneva Public Prosecutor's Office and was mainly active in the section in charge of complex cases of economic or criminal nature. Since March 1, 2025, she serves as a judge at the Geneva Criminal Court. She holds a Certificate of Advanced Studies (CAS) in Criminal Judiciary, as well as a CAS in Financial Regulation.



Deirdre Dempsey Leclerc

Chief Legal Officer, Temenos AG, Geneva

Deirdre Dempsey Leclerc is Chief Legal Officer at Temenos. Deirdre joined Temenos in 2001 as Legal Counsel, was General Counsel

between 2008–2019 and has been Chief Legal Officer since 2020. Prior to joining Temenos, Deirdre was Legal Director for Interbrand Wood in Switzerland, where she was responsible for the review of trademarks for pharmaceuticals and related regulatory matters. Deirdre also spent several years as a jurist working in law firms in San Francisco and New York, mainly in the litigation field. Deirdre holds an LL.B. (Hons.) from Trinity College, University of Dublin (1994), and a Master's Degree in Law (LL.M.) from the University of San Francisco (1997). Deirdre was admitted to the New York Bar in 1999.



Tanneguy de Bellescize

Partner, Belot Bellescize Avocats, Paris

Tanneguy de Bellescize is a member of Paris Bar and partner at Belot Bellescize Avocats, a boutique law-firm he cofounded in 2024. He specialises in criminal law with a focus on white-

collar crime and international criminal law.

He holds a double degree in corporate law (Magistère de droit des activités économiques) and white-collar criminal law (Master 2 de droit pénal international et des affaires) from University Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, where he now teaches criminal procedure.

He began his career at Visconti & Grundler and Maisonneuve, two top-tier boutique law firms specialised in white-collar crime.



Ali Grodzki

Senior Associate, Herbert Smith Freehills Kramer LLP, London

Ali Grodzki is a senior associate in the global corporate crime and investigations team at Herbert Smith Freehills Kramer LLP and is based in London. Ali advises on matters relating

to fraud, corruption, money laundering and sanctions.

Ali represents a range of clients on criminal and regulatory matters involving the UK's Serious Fraud Office, Financial Conduct Authority and HM Revenue & Customs, among others. She advises clients on complex financial crime investigations, disputes and compliance matters, often with cross-border elements. She has a particular focus on issues arising from international sanctions, in addition to anti-money laundering compliance and reporting. Ali has previously gained valuable in-house experience during secondments to the financial crime legal teams at Morgan Stanley and HSBC.

Most recently, Ali has been advising an international bank on a dispute concerning sanctions against Iran and novel issues related to the alleged application of the Blocking Regulation. She also represented an individual on a prosecution brought by HMRC for tax fraud.



Hugo Miller

Geneva Correspondent, Bloomberg News

Hugo Miller is Bloomberg News' Geneva correspondent where he specializes in legal and diplomatic news. Over the past two decades, he's reported for Bloomberg from

as far afield as the Canadian Arctic and Siberia, and from Kosovo to Georgia. A graduate of McGill University and the University of Cambridge, he previously worked for Euromoney and Dow Jones in London.

Aurélien Vuillemier,

Senior Asscoiate, Heptagone Digital Risk Management & Security

Aurélien holds a bachelor in International relations from the University of Geneva, and a Master of Advanced Studies from the Institut de lutte contre la criminalité économique of Neuchâtel (ILCE).

Prior to joining Heptagone, Aurélien worked as an investigator and intelligence analyst in several consulting firms.

Animated by a passion for new technologies, Aurélien is a recognized expert in the field of compliance and investigation related to crypto assets. He leads Heptagone's compliance practice, and serves financial institutions as well as wealth manager, and compliance departments.

Aurélien also teaches at the ILCE and regularly gives lectures and training sessions for financial intermediaries and law enforcement personnel, in Switzerland and abroad.

Agenda

DAY 1 - THURSDAY 16 OCTOBER

13.00 - 14.00	REGISTRATION - BADGES - WELCOME COFFEE
14.00 - 14.05	Welcome to Schellenberg Wittmer! Clara Poglia, Schellenberg Wittmer (Geneva) Louis Burrus, Schellenberg Wittmer (Geneva)
14.05 - 14.20	White Collar with Swiss Finish Magdalena Heyder, Schellenberg Wittmer (Zurich) Jean-Baptiste Maillart, Schellenberg Wittmer (Geneva)
14.20 - 15.30	Catch my Crypto if you can Aurélien Vuilleumier, Senior Associate, Heptagone Digital Risk Management & Security (Geneva) Paloma Croset, Schellenberg Wittmer (Geneva)
15.30 - 16.00	COFFEE BREAK
16.00 - 16.45	Cracking the Vault: Navigating Asset Recovery in Switzerland Giulia Marchettini, Schellenberg Wittmer (Geneva) Karina Beaud, Schellenberg Wittmer (Geneva)
16.45 - 17.30	Mission Control: Exploring White Collar Crime with LegalTech Strap in with Clara and Faustine as they take you inside the cockpit of a white-knuckle discovery phase in a white collar crime case. See how cutting-edge LegalTech can turbocharge your investigations - delivering speed, precision, and impact at the push of a button. Clara Gehner, Schellenberg Wittmer (Geneva) Faustine Queloz, Schellenberg Wittmer (Geneva)
17.30 - 18.30	APÉRITIF @ SCHELLENBERG WITTMER
19.30 - 23.00	DINNER @ LE BOLOGNE - RUE NECKER 11, 1201 GENEVA

DAY 2 - FRIDAY 17 OCTOBER

08.30 - 09.30	LIGHT BREAKFAST
09.30 - 10.15	The AML Odyssey, from Bank to Bench
	Sonja Maeder Morvant, Group Head of Legal, Edmond de Rotschild (Geneva)
	Louis Burrus, Schellenberg Wittmer (Geneva)
	Chairs: Aline Nelis & Lisa Gorrara, Schellenberg Wittmer (Geneva)

DAY 2 - CONTINUED

10.15 - 11.00	Navigating Different Sanctions Regimes: Legal and Practical Challenges for Authorities and Lawyers in an International Landscape George Ayoub, Schellenberg Wittmer (Geneva) Valentino Berger, Schellenberg Wittmer (Zurich)
11.00 - 11.15	COFFEE BREAK
11.15 - 12.00	Behind the Headlines, Inside the Boardroom Deirdre Dempsey Leclerc, Chief Legal Officer, Temenos AG Hugo Miller, Geneva Correspondent, Bloomberg News Chair: Charles Goumaz, Schellenberg Wittmer (Geneva)
12.00 - 14.00	LUNCH @ SCHELLENBERG WITTMER
14.00 - 14.15	Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters: The Swiss Approach Endri Gega, Schellenberg Wittmer (Geneva) Romain Dupuis, Schellenberg Wittmer (Geneva)
14.45 - 15.30	Drifting Into Uncharted Territory: What's Next for Prosecution Agreements in Europe? Nina Lumengo Paka, Schellenberg Wittmer (Zurich) Ali Grodzki, Senior Associate, Herbert Smith Freehills Kramer LLP (London) Tanneguy de Bellescize, Partner, Belot Bellescize Avocats (Paris) Chair: Jean-Baptiste Maillart, Schellenberg Wittmer (Geneva)
15.30 - 16.00	COFFEE BREAK
16.00 - 16.45	The American Trap: How the FCPA Extends Beyond U.S. Borders? Frederic Pierrucci, Ikarian (Paris)
16.45 - 17.15	Bribers Without Borders: The Global Reach of Anti-Corruption Laws Frederic Pierrucci, Ikarian (Paris) Samantha Miller, Global Head of Antibribery and Corruption, Gunvor (Geneva) Sylvie Bertrand-Curreli, Judge, Geneva Criminal Court Chair: Benjamin Borsodi, Schellenberg Wittmer (Geneva)
17.15 - 17.30	Thank you and until next time! Benjamin Borsodi, Schellenberg Wittmer Geneva
17.30 - onwards	DINNER & DRINKS (OPTIONAL)

DAY 3 - 18 OCTOBER

10.00 - 12.00 VISIT TO THE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS AND RED CRESCENT MUSEUM (OPTIONAL)

About Geneva

Where the Lake Meets the Mountains

Geneva is a city where natural beauty and global culture come together. Nestled between the Alps and Jura mountains and set along the shores of its iconic lake, it offers breathtaking views in every direction- from the sparkling waters of Lake Geneva to the snow-capped peaks on the horizon.

Stroll through the cobbled streets of the Old Town, discover quiet cafés and independent boutiques, or unwind like a local at the Bains des Pâquis, where you can swim, sauna, or simply enjoy the view. As home to over 200 international organizations, including the UN and the Red Cross, Geneva has a truly cosmopolitan atmosphere.

No visit is complete without admiring the Jet d'Eau, one of the city's most famous landmarks and just a short, easy walk from our office. Whether you're exploring world-class museums or simply soaking in the peaceful lakeside vibe, Geneva offers a unique blend of elegance, culture, and calm that leaves a lasting impression.

Information

Venue

Schellenberg Wittmer Ltd. 15bis, rue des Alpes 1211 Geneva

Transport

From Geneva Airport, take the train to Geneva main station (Gare Cornavin, ~7 minutes). From there, it is a 5-minute walk to our office at Rue des Alpes 15bis. For schedules and tickets, please check sbb.ch or download the App (Apple / Android)









Accomodation

The following hotels are located within walking distance of our offices; for further information click on the hotel website links. If you wish to book accommodation, kindly make your reservation directly with the hotel.

Please mention Schellenberg Wittmer when booking in order to benefit from our corporate rates

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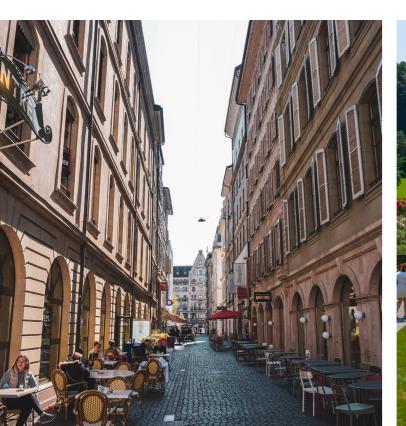
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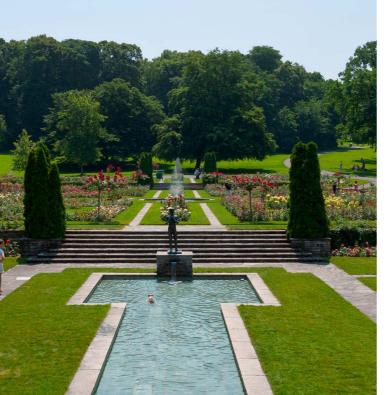
Stay Connected (2)

We have created a WhatsApp group for the event where we will share updates. It will also be a great way to stay connected during and after the conference.

Simply scan the QR code to join!













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