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January – March 2017





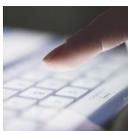
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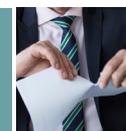
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Ambassador Charlene Barshefsky**
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Wednesday 29 March 2017

We do hope there is something in our programme that interests you. Please feel free to share information on our seminars with colleagues within your organisation who might also find it of interest.

Details of all our seminars can be found on www.linklaters.com/seminars.
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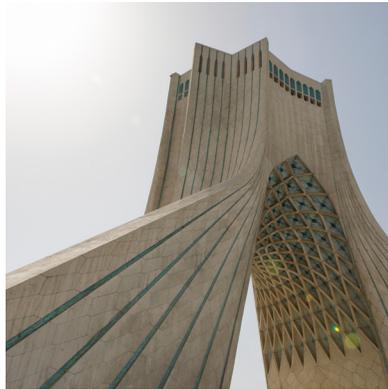
We would be interested to hear from you on topics for future seminars. If you have any suggestions, please feel free to discuss these with your regular Linklaters contact or email bernice.dunsmuir@linklaters.com

We look forward to welcoming you to one of our seminars in the near future.

Bernice Dunsmuir

As you may be aware, the English Solicitors Regulation Authority (SRA) has changed the way it administers professional development. Broadly, the mandatory 16 hours of CPD is being removed and replaced by a focus on “continuing competence.” This took effect from November 2016.

Learning remains of paramount importance at Linklaters and we know that this is the case with our clients too. Therefore we shall continue to provide our seminar and training programmes in much the same way as before.



Iran – what's next?

Monday 16 January 2017

- 🕒 8:30am – Registration and breakfast
- 🕒 9:00am – Seminar start
- 🕒 10:30am – Seminar finish

📍 Linklaters LLP, One Silk Street, London EC2Y 8HQ

Who should attend this seminar?

This seminar/webinar is of critical importance to business development leaders, general counsel and in-house compliance professionals in both corporates and financial institutions who considering or are doing business in Iran.

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“
First rate, excellent
discussion of a
complex topic.”

Seminar description

The Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action agreed by the “P5+1” nations in July 2015 paved the way for the lifting of EU and UN nuclear-related sanctions against Iran, as well as a more limited alleviation of U.S. sanctions, in return for significant limits on Iran’s nuclear programme. Following the first tranche of sanctions alleviation on “Implementation Day” in January 2016, the business community has been actively examining the potential opportunities that might arise from Iran’s economic re-engagement with the global economy and the risks that may be inherent in those opportunities.

One of the key concerns that our clients have been raising with us has been the uncertainty as to the nature and extent of the ongoing U.S. political risk in relation to Iran. Given the tone of certain statements made by Donald Trump in the run-up to the U.S. election, how might relations with Iran be affected under the new administration and what is the potential impact on Iran’s re-engagement with global markets?

In this seminar/webinar, Linklaters’ International Advisory Group member, **Meghan L. O’Sullivan**, Professor of the Practice of International Affairs and Director of the Geopolitics of Energy Project at Harvard University’s Kennedy School, will share her analysis on the way in which the Trump administration may view and seek to deal with Iran.

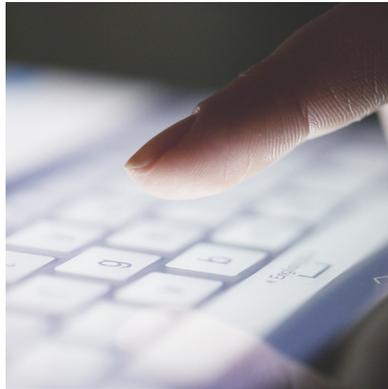
Professor O’Sullivan has wide ranging experience in Middle Eastern policy and politics from her time as special assistant to President George W. Bush and Deputy National Security Adviser for Iraq and Afghanistan.

Professor O’Sullivan will be joined by **Sarosh Mewawalla**, a partner at Linklaters, who has advised a large number of clients on their entry into Iran since Implementation Day. He will share his observations on the evolving market practice in Iran on issues such as dealing with snapback risk.

Speakers

Meghan L. O’Sullivan
Advisory Group member

Sarosh Mewawalla
Partner



Greater regulation of the internet: IP and other issues for commercial organisations

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Tuesday 24 January 2017

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- 9:00am – Seminar start
- 10:00am – Seminar finish

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Who should attend this seminar?

This seminar will be of interest to general in-house counsel and intellectual property lawyers.

“
Most engaging
presentation I
have been to for
a long time.”

Seminar description

The internet continues to have a disruptive effect and to create challenges for society. The recent reaction by many governments to these challenges suggests a move away from the liberal origins of the commercial internet towards a more controlled and regulated space. This session will outline these trends and consider the implications for your business.

The session will address:

- > **Hyperlinking**: Are you liable for content you link to online following GS Media?
- > **Splinternet**: What are the implications of China and Russia's new data localisation laws and other data localisation requirements?
- > **Censorship**: How far might the site-blocking orders in Cartier and the Digital Economy Bill extend? What are the implications for your online presence?
- > **Monitoring**: How will the decision in McFadden affect open Wi-Fi networks? Does the Investigatory Powers Act 2016 amount to online surveillance?

Speakers

Richard Cumbley
Partner

Ian Karet
Partner

Peter Church
Counsel

Evgeny Ulumdzhev
Managing Associate



Hear about, and have your say on, the Government's corporate governance proposals

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Tuesday 31 January 2017

- 🕒 9:00am – Registration and breakfast
- 9:30am – Seminar start
- 11:15am – Seminar finish

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Who should attend this seminar?

This seminar will be of interest to Company Secretaries, General Counsel and HR personnel.

“

Great range of topics and very skilled speakers. Excellent content and delivery.

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Seminar description

We are holding a seminar to discuss the [Government's Green Paper on Corporate Governance Reform](#). Representatives from BEIS and the Investment Association will be attending to hear feedback.

You will have an opportunity to express your views informally, if you wish, and hear what others think. In addition, we will make available to all attendees a document summarising the views expressed. All views will be shared on an anonymous basis.

We will look at the most significant proposals:

- > Putting further limits on executive pay and increasing shareholder powers
- > Strengthening the voice of employees, customers and suppliers on company boards

We will also touch on extending the corporate governance regime applying to listed companies to the largest privately-held companies and LLPs.

Our experts will discuss the implications, and feasibility, of the various options set out in the Green Paper. Through both Q&A and voting technology you will have an opportunity not only to give your views informally and anonymously, but also to hear other's views on the proposals.

Click [here](#) for our client alert on the Green Paper with full details and comments.

Speakers

Alexandra Beidas
Partner

Lucy Fergusson
Partner

Simon Kerr-Davis
Counsel

Graham Rowlands-Hempel
Counsel



Recent developments in syndicated lending

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Who should attend this seminar?

This seminar will be of interest to bankers, lawyers and others involved with originating and executing syndicated loan products.

“ Really good practical guidance and an engaging format. ”

Seminar description

This seminar will look at a number of recent topical issues affecting the syndicated loan market including the Loan Market Association's recent amendments to their template documents, the FCA's proposed ban on restrictive contractual clauses, Article 55 of BRRD and the proposed changes to the regulatory capital regime following the publication of the European Commission's proposals to amend the Capital Requirements Regulation and Directive (CRDIV).

Speakers

Oliver Edwards
Partner

Toby Grimstone
Partner

James Martin
Partner

Jeremy Stokeld
Partner

Kirsty Thomson
Partner



Big data, privacy and competition law: putting theory into practice

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Wednesday 1 March 2017

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- 10:00am – Seminar finish

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Who should attend this seminar?

This seminar will be of interest to in-house counsel, data protection and antitrust lawyers.

“ Thorough presentation with a practical focus; good speakers, case studies and materials. ”

Seminar description

The ability to extract and exploit useful information from very large volumes of data provides a range of benefits. It can increase efficiency, stimulate innovation and improve interactions with customers. In the last few years, regulators have also started to take a greater interest in this area, and have adopted a more interventionist stance. We will look at the implications for your business as “big data” projects move off the drawing board and into practice.

The session will include:

- > An overview of the current general and sectorial studies into the use of big data, such as the FCA’s review of big data in the retail insurance market, the CMA’s report on the commercial use of consumer data, and the study jointly launched by the French and German competition authorities
- > The influence of big data on merger control decisions following Facebook’s acquisition of WhatsApp
- > The implications of dominance in the market for big data
- > The perils of using social media as a means of profiling customers

Speakers

Richard Cumbley
Global Head of TMT/IP

Stéphanie Patureau
Managing Associate



Implications for trade in a Post-President Trump Era, with Ambassador Charlene Barshefsky

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Who should attend this seminar?

This seminar will be of interest to legal and commercial departments alike.

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Seminar description

President-elect Trump has variously proclaimed that he will “rip up” existing trade agreements, impose a 35% tariff on imports from Mexico and a 45% tariff on imports from China, as well as suggesting that he might pull the U.S out of the WTO. Whilst some commentators regard his approach as an ill-thought out protectionist stance that will ultimately be bad for U.S. business, the reality is that, for several years now the U.S., along with the EU and China, have been increasingly protectionist in their trade interventions.

So what does all of this mean for the prospect of continued global free trade?

In this seminar experts in international trade, including Ambassador Charlene Barshefsky, a former U.S. Trade Representative responsible for negotiating trade agreements and setting U.S. trade policy and Dr Lorand Bartels, Specialist Advisor to the House of Commons Select Committee on International Trade, will consider recent trends, Trump’s proclamations and consider the implications for global trade.

Click [here](#) to read more about our speakers.

Speakers

Ambassador Charlene Barshefsky
Senior International Partner,
WilmerHale

Sir Christopher Bellamy QC
Chairman of Linklaters’ Global
Competition Practice

Dr Lorand Bartels
University of Cambridge



Carbon asset risk – challenges ahead

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Who should attend this seminar?

This seminar will be of interest to legal advisers and regulatory affairs contacts within corporates, banks and financial institutions who track developments on the law on company disclosures, ESG (environmental, social and governance) issues or climate change.

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Linklaters seminars are very impressive; presentations are very well delivered.

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Seminar description

Since Mark Carney’s address to Lloyd’s of London in September 2015 on the “Tragedy of the Horizon” posed by climate change, the premise that fossil fuels will need to be eventually phased out of the global energy mix in order to avert the dangerous risks posed by climate change has been gaining momentum.

NGOs are increasingly scrutinising and challenging the decisions of corporates, banks and financial institutions in respect of the continued use of, or investment in, fossil fuels. It has therefore never been more important to be aware of the legal frameworks governing such decisions. Furthermore, the hotly anticipated voluntary disclosure standard of the Financial Stability Board’s Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures is expected to be adopted by many companies operating in a broad range of economic sectors and financial markets on an “early adoption” basis and could influence binding disclosures standards in due course.

In this seminar, we will examine:

- > Directors’ duties – can they consider environmental, social and governance issues?
- > Trustee duties and the regulation of investment managers
- > Disclosure obligations and the FSB’s Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures
- > Civil law risk including misrepresentation

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- > Hong Kong seminar programme
- > London Financial Regulation Group breakfast briefings
- > London Derivatives and Structured Products breakfast briefings
- > London Quarterly compliance breakfast series
- > Luxembourg seminar programme
- > Moscow Infrastructure Bonds seminar

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