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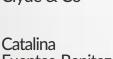
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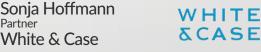






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We are pleased to announce the launch of the **2nd World Legal ESG Summit**, taking place on the **6th-7th of November 2025** in **Berlin, Germany.** Following the success of the previous edition, this summit will focus on the evolving role of legal professionals in driving ESG strategies, navigating complex regulatory landscapes, leveraging technologies for compliance and reporting, and ensuring long-term corporate accountability. This year's edition will explore cutting-edge developments in ESG frameworks, data governance, stakeholder engagement, greenwashing risks, Al applications, corporate litigation, and sustainable governance models. The summit will bring together law firm leaders, attorneys, and legal professionals from global brands to share best practices, innovative solutions, engaging panel discussions, practical case studies, and valuable networking opportunities – all designed to help legal professionals stay ahead in the fast-evolving ESG environment.

Key Practical Learning Points

- Expanding Compliance Strategies to Address the Evolving Global ESG Rulebook and Overcome Challenges
- Preparing for Regulatory Enforcement by Understanding the Implications of New ESG Mandates
- Identifying Emerging Risks Like Greenwashing and Greenhushing and Applying Effective Disclosure Practices
- Aligning Legal Structures with Corporate ESG Goals to Ensure Seamless Integration Across the Business
 Automating ESG Compliance Workflows Through AI to Improve Risk Detection and Streamline Reporting
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- Utilizing RegTech Solutions to Optimize ESG Compliance Efforts, Risk Management, and Reporting Accuracy
- Implementing Cutting-Edge ESG Reporting Tools to Foster Transparency and Accountability
- Building Resilient Legal Frameworks to Future-Proof ESG Integration and Adapt to Shifting Business Models

Take a Look at the Past Edition



Did you know?



Over 50,000 companies will be impacted by the EU's CSRD Source: European Commission, CSRD Factsheet, 2023



74% of global institutional investors are more likely to divest from companies with poor ESG performance *Source: PwC Global Investor Survey*, 2023

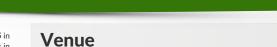


Only a quarter of companies worldwide are prepared for ESG-related assessments Source: KPMG ESG Assurance Maturity Index 2024

Previous Attendees Include



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The summit gathers senior-level legal professionals dealing with:

- Sustainability
- ESG • CSRD & SFDR
- NFRD
- CSDDD
- Strategic Management
- Risk Management
 Due Diligence
- Compliance Assurance
- Regulatory & Reporting
- Environmental Law
- Investment and Asset Management
- & Others!
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DAY 2 7 NOVEMBER 2025

08:30	Check-In and Welcome Coffee	¥:	11:40	Case Study: 🔑	
09:00	Day Two Opening Remarks from the Chair			Navigating ESG Liability: Dispute Resolution and Litigation Risk Management	
BUILDING A FUTURE-READY LEGAL ESG FRAMEWORK			In this session we will explore how companies may become exposed to ESG claims, from actions brought by activist organisations to change corporate behaviour, to damages claims brought by investors		
09:10				or contractual counterparties. We will also consider how companies may become unintentionally exposed to such claims and how to minimise the risk of ESG litigation.	
SPONSORED	Empowering Legal Teams to Lead ESG: Tools, Insights & Implementation Support This session highlights how solution providers can support legal departments in operationalizing ESG strategy. The sponsor will present practical tools, case studies, and services that help legal teams streamline ESG risk assessments, meet evolving disclosure demands, and drive cross-functional impact with confidence.			Richard Power Partner Clyde & Co	Clyde&Co
			12:20	Case Study: 🖉	
				Greenwashing, Greenhushing & Beyond: Managing Emerging Disclosure Risks As ESG disclosures transition from voluntary to mandatory, compa-	
09:50	 Double Materiality and the Role of Legal: Loude Materiality lays at the heart of ESG. In some jurisdictions, conducting a double materiality assessment is even mandatory to fulfill requirements. In a fragmented geo-political landscape, double materiality efforts underpinning strategic, operational, and reporting efforts are subjected to increasingly high-degrees of legal uncertainty, cross-jurisdictional, and disputes risks. Legal risk mitigation strategies need to be attuned with novel legal interpretation techniques, emerging regulatory frameworks, and broader societal trends. Dabriel Webber Ziero Lead ESG Legal, Senior Legal Counsel, Director Swiss Re Morning Coffee and Networking Break Morning Sustainability & Fair Competition: Antitrust Considerations in Sustainability collabora- tion and antitrust compliance, focusing on how companies can pursue ambitious ESG goals without breaching competition laws. It will examine how trade associations and industry-wide initiatives can support the green transition while remaining compliant, how to structure standardization efforts responsibly, and how to manage legal risks when partnering with competitors on sustainability projects. 				
			nies are navigating increasing scrutiny over the accuracy an completeness of their sustainability claims. This session will explor current and upcoming regulatory developments, enforcement trend and the evolving expectations of stakeholders and authorities. Th discussion will highlight how legal teams can proactively manag disclosure risks, ensure compliance, and develop transparen defensible ESG communication strategies in a complex and dynam environment.		
				Sonja Hoffmann Partner White & Case	WHITE &CASE
			13:00	Business Lunch	
			14:00	•	
				From Compliance to Impact: Crafting ESG Programs for Real Change Discover how to evolve ESG programs from regulatory box-ticking to meaningful impact. This session explores legal frameworks, cross-functional strategies, and governance models that drive real progress while aligning with emerging EU regulations.	
10:30					
11:00					
				Catalina Fuentes-Benitez ESG Legal Lead easyJet	easyJet
			14:40	Case Study: P	
				Stakeholder Engagement in ESG: Legal Obligations for Transparency and Accountability * As stakeholder pressure grows, so does the legal complexity of engaging responsibly. This session will delve into disclosure require- ments, legal duties around consultation, and how to balance reputa- tional and regulatory risks with meaningful engagement.	
	Head of Legal Compliance Markets, ESG, Ethics Office & Antitrust	PHILIPS		tional and regulatory risks with mean Anton Schüller	ingiul engagement.
	Philips			Head of ESG Legal Nordea	Nordea
			15:20	Chair's Closing Remarks a	nd End of Summit

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Eva-Maria Ségur-Cabanac Partner

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Eva-Maria Ségur-Cabanac is a partner in Baker McKenzie's transactional group, and a member of Baker McKenzie's global sustainability practice. She is dual-qualified, admitted to practice in Austria and New York. Prior to joining Baker McKenzie's Vienna office as a partner in 2008, Eva-Maria worked as a US capital markets associate in the New York, Paris and Frankfurt offices of Sullivan & Cromwell from 2001 to 2008.

In recent years, Eva-Maria has established a growing practice of sustainability-related matters, assisting multinational companies in navigating the increasingly complex reporting and governance regulatory requirements around sustainability. She is a regular speaker and author of articles related to the EU regulatory framework regarding sustainability and acts as global lead sustainability partner for our global financial institutions industry group.



Sonja Hoffmann Partner White & Case

Sonja is a member of the Firm's Global Commercial Litigation Practice based in Frankfurt and a core member of the Firm's Consumer & Retail Industry Group as well as of the Sustainability & Responsible Business Group. She advises national and multinational clients on complex national and cross-border commercial disputes with a particular focus on financial services, real estate, private equity and consumer & retail litigation as well as data privacy & technology litigation. In addition, she advises her clients in ESG litigation with a focus on green claims, human rights due diligence, supply chain and climate change disputes. She regularly speaks at conferences and client seminars on ESG-topics in particular in the consumer & retail industry, where she leads the sub-section of luxury & fashion law.

Sonja focuses on clients operating in a variety of sectors such as financial institutions, consumer & retail, data privacy & technology and private equity. Sonja also assists clients in the context of enforcement proceedings with international implications.



Mary Foley Expert Services Strategy Director Enhesa

Mary Foley has over 25 years' experience in strategy and risk and is currently a Forbes Contributor in their Money > Investing Section. She has been a part of the current Enhesa team since 2020 and initially worked with its fore runner when it was first established over 25 years ago. She is now the Expert Services Strategy Director responsible for delivering EHS and Sustainability global regulatory intelligence to multinational corporate clients.

Mary's extensive experience covers consulting, certification and assurance (including ISO Standards), and SaaS services related to Risk Management specifically for EHS and Sustainability issues across a wide variety of sectors.



Philip Chan Senior Legal Counsel - Human Rights Booking.com

Philip Chan is the Senior Legal Counsel - Human Rights at Booking.com and an Australian qualified lawyer based in Amsterdam. For over a decade, Phil has advised the world's largest organisations to drive impact across responsible business practices. He previously led ethical and sustainable procurement at the University of Sydney, advised best practice on business and human rights to multinational companies at KPMG, and practiced law at DLA Piper. He is named one of Australia's top 25 most influential people in the pro bono sector and recognised with the Ethical Sourcing Award from the Banksia Sustainability Foundation. Philip holds a Master of Laws as a Westpac Future Leaders Scholar from the University of Melbourne, and a Bachelor of Arts (Media and Communications)/Bachelor of Laws from the University of Sydney.



Richard Power Partner Clyde & Co

Richard is a partner in Clyde & Co's Global Arbitration Group. He has a special focus on clean energy and on climate change risk.

Richard studied economics and law in South Africa before reading for a Masters of Law at St John's College, Cambridge. After 14 years at legacy Berwin Leighton Paisner, where he was Co-Head of International Arbitration, Richard joined Clyde & Co in 2015.

As well as assisting clients with their international and domestic commercial, contractual, financial and investment disputes, Richard also advises on identifying and mitigating ESG risk, including "greenwashing" claims. Richard sits on the Net Zero Lawyers Alliance Steering Group and on Clyde & Co's Environmental Sustainability & Biodiversity Steering Committee. He has spoken on climate change risk and the energy transition at London International Disputes Week and London Climate Action Week. He has also acted as a Senior Facilitator for The Chancery Lane Project's "hackathons" to develop climate-conscious contractual provisions. As well as authoring a series of articles on the energy transition, including the drive for decentralisation and digitisation, Richard is the author of the Energy Arbitrations chapter of Global Arbitration Review's European Arbitration Review for 2017, 2018 and 2019 and regularly contributes articles on the energy Global.



Melanie de Andrade Senior Legal Counsel ELDS & Sustainability ABB

Melanie de Andrade works as Senior Legal Counsel for ABB's Electrification Business Area. ABB is a technology leader in electrification and automation. The company's solutions connect engineering know-how and software to optimize how things are manufactured, moved, powered and operated.

In her role she focuses on strategy development of ESG topics touching the legal field, leads international contract negotiations & provides execution support and practical support on risk management.

There are large opportunities for future of ESG in the space of contracting. It is our task as legal professionals to navigate ambiguity in sustainability legislation and regulations with a leading voice and create transparency.



Gabriel Webber Ziero Lead ESG Legal, Senior Legal Counsel, Director Swiss Re

Gabriel is a lawyer with extensive experience in the field of ESG / sustainability. He is Swiss Re's Lead ESG Legal providing strategic legal advice on complex ESG / sustainability legal matters across the Group. Before joining Swiss Re, Gabriel worked in private practice advising Swiss and international clients from different industry sectors on ESG laws and regulations while supporting them in designing implementation strategies. In this content, he was a key player in the drafting processes of due diligence guidance documents for responsible business conduct at the OECD level. Gabriel holds a PhD and an LL.M. in International and EU Law with a focus on ESG / sustainability and he is also a guest lecturer in the topic of ESG law in different universities.



Silke Goldberg Partner Herbert Smith Freehills

Silke has over 17 years' experience of working in the energy sector, advising clients in relation to complex energy and climate change issues internationally with a particular focus on renewable energy and the energy transition.

Silke also advises clients on all aspects of European and UK energy law and regulations, including unbundling issues, REMIT, and network codes. She has long standing experience in electricity and gas trading arrangements and has advised interconnectors and other transmission and distribution system operators. Silke was recently named Individual (London) of the Year for Projects, energy and natural resources by The Legal 500 UK 2020.

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Emma Dowden-Teale Partner DLA Piper

Emma Dowden-Teale is DLA Piper UK's Head of Public Law and is Global Co-Chair for Public, Constitutional and Administrative law comprising DLA Piper's public lawyers across the UK, Europe, the Americas and Asia Pacific. Emma is also the Global Co-Lead of the firm's sustainability and ESG work relating to the treatment of people, which co-ordinates and supports the firm's intersectional, inter-disciplinary and cross-jurisdictional work in relation to advice on human rights and risk management of potential harm to individuals in connection with organisations' global operations. Her work has, for many years, included domestic and international safeguarding of individuals and she is recommended for her ESG practice in Legal 500.



Marc Knapen

Head of Legal Compliance Markets, ESG, Ethics Office & Antitrust Philips

Marc is responsible for Legal Compliance in Royal Philips' global market organization, leading a team of Compliance Program & Antitrust experts. Also heading the Legal ESG team.

Previously, Marc was a Secretary to the Executive Committee and Supervisory Board at Royal Philips, dealing with a wide variety of corporate governance matters.

He has an extensive experience in commercial contracting as Senior Legal Counsel responsible for Middle East & Turkey at Royal Philips.

Marc is also experienced in dealing with a wide range of competition law matters in-house (Philips), in private practice (Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer) and as trainee at the EU Commission (DG Competition).

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Niklas Pieper VP - Head of Law Public Affairs, Sustainability and Regulatory Crop Protection Baver

Dr. Niklas Pieper is a seasoned attorney with over 20 years of experience, currently serving as Vice President and Head of Law for Sustainability, Regulatory, and Public Affairs at Bayer. In his role, which encompasses both European and global perspectives, he specializes in providing legal guidance on ESG matters and strategy, ensuring compliance with ESG regulations, and integrating sustainability into business practices.

Dr. Pieper joined Bayer in 2006. Prior to his current position, he managed significant product liability litigation proceedings for Bayer in the United States, held global responsibilities within Bayer's compliance function, and provided counsel to various business, R&D, and product supply units across Bayer's Pharmaceuticals, Consumer Health, and Crop Science Divisions. From 1999 to 2006, he worked in private practice, primarily with the international law firm Freshfields. He holds a PhD in law from the University of Cologne.



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Hannah Kung Senior Investments Structurer and Responsible Investments Advisor

Hannah Kung is currently the Senior Investments Structurer and Responsible Investments Advisor at AXA. In this role, she focuses on integrating ESG considerations into investment strategies and structuring sustainable financial solutions. Previously, she served as the Group Senior Corporate Counsel – ESG at AXA, where she led legal initiatives related to ESG compliance and sustainability projects. With over 16 years of experience in corporate finance and regulatory affairs across Singapore, Hong Kong, and Paris, Hannah brings a wealth of expertise to her current position. She is also passionate about promoting social mobility and gender equality within the legal sector and actively mentors junior lawyers.



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