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The Madrid Bar, Madrid, Spain

Topics include:

- The French/Spanish Treaty of Friendship 2023
- Recent Spanish and French acquisitions
- Legal environment for Spanish investments in France
- M&A Dispute Resolution. Paris and Madrid as arbitration seats

Sessions will take place in English



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Guests of Honour

HE M Jean Michel Casa *French Ambassador to Spain*

Teresa Mínguez Díaz *Member of the management board of the Madrid Bar Association*

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0945 – 1000 **Registration and welcome coffee**

1000 – 1030 **Introduction and opening remarks**

Speakers

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1030 – 1100

Fireside chat: The French/Spanish Treaty of Friendship

France and Spain have entered into this Friendship Treaty on 19 January 2023. The fireside chat will address the geopolitical framework of this bilateral treaty in the context of international relations and amongst EU Member States.

Moderators

Almudena Arpón de Mendivil *Gómez-Acebo y Pombo, Madrid; IBA President*

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1100 – 1200 **SESSION ONE**

Legal environment for Spanish investments in France

The round table will discuss the regulatory and legal hurdles faced by Spanish companies investing in France, as well as the market practice in M&A deals in France, with a comparative approach.

Participants

Guillaume Kellner *McDermott Will & Emery*

Jose María Miralles *General Counsel of Cellnex, Barcelona*

José María Pérez *Bredin Prat, Paris*

Pedro Pérez-Llorca *Pérez Llorca*

Marta Rios *Uria Menendez, Madrid*

1200 – 1215 **Coffee break**

1215 – 1330 **SESSION TWO**

M&A dispute resolution. Paris and Madrid as arbitration seats

The panel will discuss the choices and consequences of the dispute resolution mechanism in M&A contracts with a special focus on the operation of international arbitration using International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) or the Madrid International Centre of Arbitration (Centro Internacional de Arbitraje de Madrid), as well as Paris or Madrid as arbitration seats.

Moderators

Jalal El Ahdab *Bird & Bird, Paris; Member, IBA Mediation Committee Advisory Board and ARF Advisory Board*

Mercedes Fernández *Jones Day, Madrid*

Speakers

Irene Arévalo *Gómez-Acebo & Pombo, Madrid*

Jose Maria Alonso Puig *President Elect of the Madrid International Centre of Arbitration*

Diana Paraguacuto-Maheo *Foley Hoag, Paris*

Borja Perez-Puente *Clifford Chance, Madrid*

1330 – 1430 **Buffet lunch**

1430 – 1600 **SESSION THREE**

Recent Spanish and French acquisitions

The panel will discuss some of the recent M&A transactions already finalised.

Moderators

Forrest Alogna *Darros Villey Maillot Brochier*

Laura Muñoz *Garrigues*

Speakers

Juan Aguayo *Cuatrecasas, Madrid*

Cedric Lougnon *Head of legal M&A & Corporate Finance, Vinci*

Andrew Ward *Cuatrecasas, Madrid*

1600 – 1615 **Closing remarks**

Jacques Buhart *McDermott Will & Emery, Paris; IBA Honorary Life Member of Council and Association*

1615 – 1700 **Farewell drinks**

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