Welcome to the Young Members Group of INSOL Europe. If you haven’t joined us – you should. Not only because you are young, but because we want to expand our INSOL Europe family.

Keep on reading – you will not regret it!

The Young Members Group (YMG) of INSOL Europe has a primary mission; to act as a network for younger members (up to age 45) of INSOL Europe. Our aim is to support you as younger insolvency professionals in building up a network where you can establish international contacts, exchange experiences and knowledge and make friends. You most probably don’t have a lot of contacts yet, especially from abroad, when you go to any of INSOL Europe’s events. This was certainly the case for us. That’s why our group is designed to help you to get into the community easier and provide a space where you can grow with us.

Within INSOL Europe our goal is to create visibility for younger members and to provide a platform for more contributions from young members in all activities of INSOL Europe. Apart from sharing views and discussing topical issues, one of the most important missions of the YMG is to provide the younger insolvency generation the chance to mingle and meet new colleagues in a more relaxed atmosphere. The legendary YMG drinks receptions, which are hosted during INSOL Europe seminars and conferences, are in our view the pinnacle of the social programme at each venue.

Since after the COVID-19 outbreak all of the in person-events have been cancelled, the YMG has continued to be active by organising a virtual wine-tasting, speed-networking events and has contributed to the INSOL Europe Coffee Break video series. All have been a great success and there are more events already planned. A special thanks must go to Robert Schiebe from Schiebe und Collegen for making this possible by sponsoring the YMG.

This is the chance for you and your colleagues to meet us and all our friends. If you have any question about the group or about us, don’t hesitate and get in contact with us.

Sincerely,
Clarissa Nitsch & Robert Peldán
Co-Chairs of the Young Members Group
About our Co-Chairs

Robert Peldán is my name and I have the great pleasure to steer the YMG together with the amazing co-chair Clarissa. By profession, I am an attorney and insolvency practitioner from Finland and I head the Restructuring & Insolvency practice at Borenius Attorneys.

I have been a member of INSOL Europe and YMG as of 2015. My first INSOL Europe event was the EECC seminar in Vilnius Lithuania in May 2015. Apart from attending the interesting seminar - there is evidence in the form of a photo in which I am asking a question during one of the presentations - I was introduced to wonderful world of YMG by former co-chairs Slavomir Cauder and Sabina Schellenberg in a networking reception and dinner event. After this event, YMG events have been a “must” for me and I have really enjoyed the laid-back atmosphere, establishing life-long friendships and exchanging thoughts in business and personal matters.

There are so many warm memories, it is hard to pick my favourite; the Mallorca seminar was truly amazing, the discussions in the YMG events in Athens and Warsaw were wonderful, preparing the COVID-coffee break video with the recent and present co-chairs of YMG was great fun, not to forget the ex-tempore beach-front party organised after the YMG dinner in Cascais.

My name is Clarissa Nitsch and it is my honor to be Co-Chair of the Young Members Group with Robert Peldán who is not only a brilliant colleague but also a close friend.

I am a qualified attorney in Austria with a focus on Dispute Resolution and Insolvency Law. My background is European because I grew up in Germany and in Austria which I consider both my home. I spent most of my professional career working for Big Law firms in Vienna and in New York. Just recently I founded my own practice in Vienna.

My first INSOL Europe event was a seminar on Mallorca in 2019. At the time, Anne Bach, the former Co-Chair of the YMG gave me the opportunity to speak on a panel. I was introduced to all the great minds of the YMG then and our friendship deepened in preparing for the Annual Congress in Copenhagen in 2019. From that moment on I had the chance to be part of so many wonderful activities within the YMG. And even though I would consider myself experienced in participating at international conferences or events, the last years within INSOL Europe made me grow even more. A highlight was the shooting of the YMG Coffee Break with Anne Bach, Georges Louis Harang and Robert Peldán. Another great moment was certainly the organisation of INSOL Europe’s first online conference in Spring 2020: “Don't worry, restructure”. I could go on and on in describing special moments but I much rather close by saying, I am really looking forward to meet you in person soon.

For only €125 per year* you can be a Young Member of INSOL Europe, which also includes the membership benefits of INSOL International.

To join please click on 'apply now' on our website. We look forward to welcoming you into the YMG!

*On joining a one-off admission fee of €210 also applies.

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