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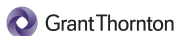


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INSOL Europe Annual Congress, Friday 10 & Saturday 11 October 2025, Vienna, Austria
A Waltz Through Insolvency: Lessons from the Past, Steps into the Future

09.00–17.00	Friday 10 October 2025	
08.30-09.00	Welcome coffee	
09.00-09.15	Opening remarks by the Joint Facilitators, Technical Committee Co-Chairs and President	Klaudia Frątczak-Kospin , Westminster Polska, Poland / INSOL Europe YMG Co-Chair Robert Peldán , BORENIUS ATTORNEYS, Finland / Past INSOL Europe YMG Co-Chair Alice van der Schee , Van Benthem & Keulen, The Netherlands / INSOL Europe President Matthias Prior , Abel Rechtsanwälte, Austria / INSOL Europe Council member & Country Coordinator Christel Dumont , Dentons, Luxembourg / INSOL Europe Council member & Country Coordinator
09.15-09.50	Keynote speech	Christopher Pratt , Professional Skipper, France
09.50-11.00	Happy 10th Anniversary Recast EIR!	Panel leader: Judge Catarina Serra , Supreme Court/ University of Minho, Portugal Panellists: Advocate General Rimvydas Norkus , European Court of Justice Em. Prof. Reinhard Bork , University of Hamburg, Germany / INSOL Europe EIR Case Register Chair Benjamin Herisset , UNCITRAL
11.00-11.30	Delegate coffee break	
11.30-12.10	Between Brick and Debt: Restructuring Strategies for Real Estate Companies in a Downturn <i>Best practices, key pitfalls, and stakeholder management when market valuations collapse</i>	Panel leader: Matthias Prior , Abel Rechtsanwälte, Austria / INSOL Europe Council member & Country Coordinator Panellists: Christian Bärenz , GÖRG Rechtsanwälte, Germany Patrick Gensbichler , Abel Rechtsanwälte, Austria Max Mailliet , E2M, Luxembourg Markus Fellner , Fellner Wratzfeld & Partner, Austria
12.10-12.50	Shareholders Rights in Restructurings	Panel leader: Joaquim Shearman de Macedo , PLMJ, Portugal Ian Benjamin , Stephenson Harwood, UK / INSOL Europe Council member Lukas Bopp , Kellerhals Carrard Basel, Switzerland / INSOL Europe Council member Florian Bruder , DLA Piper, Germany Laura Ruiz , Pérez-LLorca Abogados, Spain

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12.50-13.00	Battle of breakout sessions	Flavia Pezzetta , NATIXIS Bank, France / INSOL Europe Financiers Group Co-Chairs Bart Heynickx , ALTIUS, Belgium / INSOL Europe Anti-Fraud Forum Co-Chair Fedra Valencia , Cuatrecasas, Spain / INSOL Europe Council member Kat Burke , Maples, Ireland
13.00-14.00	Delegate lunch	
14.00-14.40	Breakout-sessions	
	I. Financiers' Trends to Watch	Panel leaders: Flavia Pezzetta , NATIXIS Bank, France and Florian Joseph , Helaba Landesbank Hessen-Thüringen, Germany / INSOL Europe Financiers Group Co-Chairs Panellists: Johan Jol , ABN AMRO Bank., The Netherlands Philip Janis , European Investment Bank Catherine Marchal-Gralitzer , Pristine Finance, France
	II. Anti-Fraud Forum: Failure to Prevent - Negligence by internal auditors - What do banks (have to) do?	Panel leader: Bart Heynickx , ALTIUS, Belgium / INSOL Europe Anti-Fraud Forum Co-Chair Panellists: Louise Brittain , Azets, UK Konstantinos S. Issaias , Kyriakides Georgopoulos Law Firm, Greece Giorgio Corno , SCAI Legal, Italy
	III. Valuation in Restructuring	Panel leader: Fedra Valencia , Cuatrecasas, Spain / INSOL Europe Council member Panellists: Koos Beke , PwC, The Netherlands Friedrich Andreae , Attestor, UK Judge Flavius Motu , Cluj Specialized Court, Romania
	IV. Parallel Proceedings: The Restructuring Double Act	Panel leader: Kat Burke , Maples, Ireland Panellists: Stacey Lutkus , McDermott Will & Schulte, US Judge Michael Quinn , The High Court, Ireland / INSOL Europe Judicial Wing Co-Chair Garret Byrne , The Bar of Ireland, Ireland Carlo Ghia , Ministry for Enterprises and Made in Italy, Italy



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14.40-14.50	Change of break-out-rooms	
14.50-15.30	Repeat of Breakout-sessions I, II, III & IV	
15.30-16.00	Delegate coffee break	
16.00-17.30	INSOL Europe Workout Game Let's rescue the Utopia Hotel-Casino Group. Or not...?	Prof. Jan Adriaanse , Leiden University, The Netherlands Prof. Marc Broekema , University of Groningen, The Netherlands
17.30-17.40	Closing remarks of the day by the Facilitator	Robert Peldán , BORENIUS ATTORNEYS, Finland / Past INSOL Europe YMG Co-Chair

09.00–13.00	Saturday 11 October 2025	
09.00-09.30	Welcome coffee	
09.30-09.35	Opening remarks by the Facilitator	Klaudia Frątczak-Kospin , Westminster Polska, Poland / INSOL Europe YMG Co-Chair
09.35-10.10	Keynote Interview: AI and Corporate Insolvency Law	Professor Felix Steffek , University of Cambridge, UK Christel Dumont , Dentons, Luxembourg / INSOL Europe Council member & Country Coordinator
10.10-11.00	Game of Loans: Liability Management Exercises (LMEs)	Panel leader: Alice van der Schee , Van Benthem & Keulen, The Netherlands / INSOL Europe President Panellists: Prof. Omar Salah , Norton Rose Fulbright, The Netherlands Ian Partridge , AlixPartner, UK James Simpson , Lazard, UK
11.00-11.30	Delegate coffee break	
11.30-12.20	Stigma of Insolvency From the perspective of Academia, Neuroscience and Entrepreneurship	Panel leader: Karl-Heinz Götze , Kreditschutzverband von 1870, Austria Panellists: Emilie Ghio , University of Edinburgh, UK Donald Thomson , Thorntons Law / University of Dundee, UK Nuno Lobo Antunes , Partners in Neuroscience, Portugal Noora Fagerström , Entrepreneur and Politician, Finland

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12.20-13.10	Grand Prix d'Harmonisation	Panel leader: Robert Hänel , Anchor, Germany / INSOL Europe TRIP Group Co-Chair Panellists: Christophe Thevenot , Thevenot Partners, France / INSOL Europe TRIP Group Co-Chair Sabine Vorwerk , Linklaters, Germany
13.10-13.30	Closing of the day by the Facilitator and Co-Chairs President Handover	Klaudia Frątczak-Kospin , Westminster Polska, Poland / INSOL Europe YMG Co-Chair Alice van der Schee , Van Benthem & Keulen, The Netherlands / INSOL Europe President Matthias Prior , Abel Rechtsanwälte, Austria / INSOL Europe Council member & Country Coordinator Christel Dumont , Dentons, Luxembourg / INSOL Europe Council member & Country Coordinator Frances Coulson , Wedlake Bell, UK / INSOL Europe Deputy President

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