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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	<p>Klaudia Frątczak-Kospin, Westminster Polska, Poland / INSOL Europe YMG Co-Chair</p> <p>Robert Peldán, BORENIUS ATTORNEYS, Finland / Past INSOL Europe YMG Co-Chair</p> <p>Alice van der Schee, Van Benthem & Keulen, The Netherlands / INSOL Europe President</p> <p>Matthias Prior, Abel Rechtsanwälte, Austria / INSOL Europe Council member & Country Coordinator</p> <p>Christel Dumont, Dentons, Luxembourg / INSOL Europe Council member & Country Coordinator</p>
09.15-09.50	Keynote speech	Christopher Pratt , Professional Skipper, France
09.50-11.00	Happy 10th Anniversary Recast EIR!	<p>Panel leader: Judge Catarina Serra, Supreme Court/ University of Minho, Portugal</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <p>Advocate General Rimvydas Norkus, European Court of Justice</p> <p>Em. Prof. Reinhard Bork, University of Hamburg, Germany / INSOL Europe EIR Case Register Chair</p> <p>Benjamin Herisset, UNCITRAL</p>
11.00-11.30 Delegate coffee break		
11.30-12.10	Between Brick and Debt: Restructuring Strategies for Real Estate Companies in a Downturn <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Best practices, key pitfalls, and stakeholder management when market valuations collapse</i> 	<p>Panel leader: Matthias Prior, Abel Rechtsanwälte, Austria / INSOL Europe Council member & Country Coordinator</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <p>Christian Bärenz, GÖRG Rechtsanwälte, Germany</p> <p>Patrick Gensbichler, Abel Rechtsanwälte, Austria</p> <p>Max Mailliet, E2M, Luxembourg</p> <p>Markus Fellner, Fellner Wratzfeld & Partner, Austria</p>
12.10-12.50	Shareholders Rights in Restructurings	<p>Panel leader: Joaquim Shearman de Macedo, PLMJ, Portugal</p> <p>Ian Benjamin, Stephenson Harwood, UK / INSOL Europe Council member</p> <p>Lukas Bopp, Kellerhals Carrard Basel, Switzerland / INSOL Europe Council member</p> <p>Florian Bruder, DLA Piper, Germany</p> <p>Laura Ruiz, Pérez-LLorca Abogados, Spain</p>



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12.50-13.00	Battle of breakout sessions	<p>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</p>
13.00-14.00	Delegate lunch	
14.00-14.40	Breakout-sessions	
	I. Financiers' Trends to Watch	<p>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, France Dana Dulciu, Raiffeisen Bank International, Austria</p>
	II. Anti-Fraud Forum: Failure to Prevent	<p>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</p>
	III. Valuation in Restructuring	<p>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</p>
	IV. Parallel Proceedings: The Restructuring Double Act	<p>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</p>



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		Carlo Ghia , Ministry for Enterprises and Made in Italy, Italy
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	Panel leader: Karl-Heinz Götze , Kreditschutzverband von 1870, Austria Panellists:



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> From the perspective of Academia, Neuroscience and Entrepreneurship 	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
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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