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Invitation to the  
9<sup>th</sup> ECFR Symposium  
  
in Berlin

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Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the editors of the European Company and Financial Law Review (ECFR) and the Zeitschrift für Unternehmens- und Gesellschaftsrecht (ZGR), I would kindly like to invite you to the Ninth ECFR Symposium, which will take place

in Berlin, Germany, on Friday, November 7, 2014 (9.00 – ca. 18.00) **(date changed!)**  
on

**1) The New Single Member Company,**

**and**

**2) The European Banking Union.**

The ECFR Conference will be held in English at the Deutscher Bundestag in the Europasaal.

**The Europasaal (PLH 4.900) is supposed to be accessed via Paul-Löbe-Haus - South Entrance, Paul-Löbe-Allee 2, 11011 Berlin, Germany).**

## **Program**

Based on talks by both academics and practitioners, our conference schedule will visit the following topics:

### **Conference Dinner (November 6, 2014) – 7:00 p.m.**

Embassy of Switzerland, Otto-von-Bismarck-Allee 4a, 10557 Berlin

#### **Welcome Addresses**

H. E. Tim Guldemann  
(Ambassador of Switzerland to Germany)

Heribert Hirte  
(Professor, University of Hamburg, Member of the Deutscher Bundestag,  
Cologne/Hamburg/Berlin, Germany)

#### **Dinner Speech – 8:00 p.m.**

Michael Meister  
(Parliamentary State Secretary, Federal Ministry of Finance, Member of the  
Deutscher Bundestag, Berlin, Germany)

### **Symposium (November 7, 2014)**

Deutscher Bundestag - Paul-Löbe-Haus - Europasaal PLH 4.900  
South Entrance, Paul-Löbe-Allee 2, 11011 Berlin, Germany

#### **Opening remarks – 9:00 a.m.**

Heribert Hirte  
(Professor, University of Hamburg, Member of the Deutscher Bundestag,  
Cologne/Hamburg/Berlin, Germany)

#### **Morning Session I – 9:15 a.m.**

##### **The Proposal of the Directive on the Single-Member Private Limited Liability Company**

President: Maarten Kroeze  
(Professor, Erasmus University Rotterdam, The Netherlands)

The New Single-Member Company – a European Idea Realised at National Level

(Bartłomiej Kurcz, European Commission, Brussels, Belgium)

The Single-Member Company: a Passport for Job Creation and Growth

(Pierre-Henri Conac, Professor, University of Luxemburg, Luxemburg)

Panel discussion

Formation and transformation (Articles 6 to 12, article 25)

(Harm-Jan de Kluiver, Professor, University of Amsterdam,  
Partner, De Brauw Blackstone Westbroek, Amsterdam, The Netherlands)

Registration and capital (*Articles 13 to 17*)

(Jesper Lau Hansen, Professor, University of Copenhagen, Denmark)

Distributions and reductions of capital (*Articles 18 to 20*)

(Vanessa Knapp OBE, Visiting Professor Queen Mary,  
University of London, England)

Organization and management (*Articles 21-24*)

(Christoph Teichmann, Professor, University of Würzburg, Germany)

– Morning break –  
10:30 a.m.

**Morning Session II – 11:00 a.m.**

**The Proposal of the Directive on the  
Single-Member Private Limited Liability Company (continued)**

President: Holger Fleischer  
(Professor, Max-Planck Institute for comparative and international Private Law,  
Hamburg, Germany)

From SPE to SMC - The German Political Debate on the Reform of the "Small  
Company"

(Stephan Harbarth, Member of the Deutscher Bundestag, Rechtsanwalt,  
Mannheim/Berlin, Germany)

The SUP from the German Academic Perspective  
(Christoph Teichmann, Professor, University of Würzburg, Germany)

The SUP from the French Perspective

(Pierre-Henri Conac, Professor, University of Luxemburg, Luxemburg)

The SUP from the UK Perspective

(Vanessa Knapp, OBE, Visiting Professor Queen Mary,  
University of London, England)

The SUP from the Dutch Perspective

(Harm-Jan de Kluiver, Partner, De Brauw, Professor, University of Amsterdam, The  
Netherlands)

The SUP from the Scandinavian Perspective

(Jesper Lau Hansen, Professor, University of Copenhagen, Denmark)

Discussion with the audience

– Lunch break –  
12:45 p.m.

(Walking Lunch in the Deutscher Bundestag)

**Afternoon Session I – 1:45 p.m.**

**The European Banking Union**

President: Pierre-Henri Conac(  
(Professor, University of Luxemburg, Luxemburg)

Fundamentals of the European Banking Union

(Peter M. Mülbert, Professor, University of Mainz, Germany)

The European Banking Union: The German Political Debate

(Manuel Sarrazin, Member of the Deutscher Bundestag, Hamburg/Berlin)

The European Banking Union: The Perspective of the European Central Bank

(Chiara Zilioli, European Central Bank, Frankfurt, Germany)

– Afternoon break –  
3:30 p.m.

**Afternoon Session II – 4:00 p.m.**

**The European Banking Union (continued)**

President: Marco Ventoruzzo

(Professor, Università Bocconi, Milan, Italy and Penn State Dickinson School of Law, USA, Scientific Member Max Planck Institute, Luxembourg)

The European Banking Union: The Perspective of the European Banking Authority

(Jonathan Overett Somnier, European Banking Authority, Head of Legal Unit, London, United Kingdom)

The SSM/SRM - an Effective Macro-Prudential Framework  
(Kern Alexander, Professor, University of Zurich, Switzerland)

The European Banking Union in the Light of the New Belgian Banking Law

(Koen Geens, Professor, Catholic University, Leuven, Minister of Justice, Belgium)

The cost of participation in the conference is 100 Euros. Additional 50 Euros per person will be charged for participating in the conference dinner, which will be held on 6 November 2014 at 7 p.m. (Time change!) in the Embassy of Switzerland, Otto-von-Bismarck-Allee 4a, 10557 Berlin, Telephone: +49-30-3904000 [across from the Reichstag/next to the Federal Chancellor's Office [Bundeskanzleramt]].

If you have further questions, please feel free to contact PD Dr. Sebastian Mock ([sebastian.mock@jura.uni-hamburg.de](mailto:sebastian.mock@jura.uni-hamburg.de)) at the University of Hamburg.

Kind regards,

Heribert Hirte