

CONFERENCE AGENDA

Friday 18 October

- 18:00 *Teas & coffees for MSI Board Members*
- 18:30 – **MSI Board meeting** *(for MSI Board Members only)*
- 20:00 *Meeting room: Matahari*

Sunday 20 October

Teas and coffees will be available throughout the day

- 09:30 **New Members meeting** *(for new MSI members and first time conference attendees)*
Meeting room: Neptuno I
- 10:00 **Management Board meeting** *(for Area representatives & MSI Board Members only)*
Meeting room: Neptuno III
- 12:00 Lunch in Canovas room *(for Management Board and people attending the first SIG meetings)*
- 13:00 **MSI Specialist Interest Group Meetings** *(see schedule below for individual meetings)*

13:00 – 15:00 Mergers and Acquisitions <i>Meeting room: Neptuno I</i>	13:00 – 15:00 International Tax <i>Meeting room: Neptuno III</i>
15:00 – 16:00 Private Clients & Estate Planning <i>Meeting room: Cortes</i>	15:00 – 16:00 Value Added Tax / Indirect Tax <i>Meeting room: Cervantes</i>
16:00 – 17:00 Real Estate <i>Meeting room: Neptuno I</i>	16:00 – 17:30 Transfer pricing <i>Meeting room: Neptuno III</i>
	16:15 – 17:00 Arbitration & Mediation <i>Meeting room: Cortes</i>

Monday 21 October

Room: Medinaceli

- 08:45 *Tea, coffee and light snacks will be available for delegates*
- 09:30 **Introduction and welcome** **Tim Wilson - MSI Global Alliance**
- 09:35 **Welcome to Madrid** **Alex Folch – AFP**
David Jiménez - Pedrosa Lagos
- 09:50 **Welcome to new members** **Tim Wilson - MSI Global Alliance**
- 10:15 *Tea & coffee break*

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10:45	MSI today and going forward	Tim Wilson - MSI Global Alliance
11:30	<i>Networking break</i>	
12:00	“Crisis of confidence”: Political and economic challenges and opportunities facing Europe today and in the future	Benita Ferrero-Waldner - Former EU Commissioner
13:00	<i>Buffet lunch in Neptuno</i>	
14:00	Winning multi continent opportunities <i>Today, more multi- continent opportunities are surfacing than ever before. We will discuss mobilising the best multi-firm pursuit team, achieving effective collaboration, discovering winning strategies, and edging out competitors.</i>	Gale Crosley - Crosley+Company
16:00	An introduction to LeaseAccelerator	Joshua May - LeaseAccelerator & Francesco De Gioia - Qiado
16:15	Closing remarks: Day 1	Tim Wilson - MSI Global Alliance

Tuesday 22 October

Room: **Medinaceli**

08:30	<i>Tea, coffee and light snacks will be available for delegates</i>	
09:00	MSI Specialist Interest Groups – Feedback on areas of discussion and development	SIGs chairs & MSI members
09:15	When your number’s up <i>Accountants and auditors are seen by law enforcement as essential “gate-keepers.” This session by a former U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission attorney discusses accounting-related enforcement issues, including:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><i>1) accounting and auditing cases, liability issues and areas of special risk for accountants and auditors,</i><i>2) accounting cases against listed companies and investment funds;</i><i>3) cases and legal issues surrounding valuation.</i>	Howard Fischer - Moses & Singer LLP
09:45	Software as a competitive edge <i>Software such as algorithms, robotics and other applications can enhance our performance to the benefit of our customers and our firms. We will cover some process areas and show some statistics of performance improvements that firms can use to gain a competitive edge.</i>	Tore Teir - Greenstep Oy
10:15	<i>Tea & coffee break (to include time for room check-out for those that need it)</i>	

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| 10:45 | Creating a competitive advantage in professional service firms: Placing people and talent at the heart of your strategy
<i>ACCA is leading global research into the future of skills and careers in professional services. This session will include a presentation of their findings and provide an opportunity for discussion of best talent management practices.</i> | Jamie Lyon - The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) |
| 11:25 | Women in the professions
<i>Equality of opportunity for women in professions is being addressed by several law societies and other professional organisations around the world. In this session, we will hear about the progress in Europe and discuss how member firms across the world can embrace equality for business gain.</i> | Franz Heidinger - Alix Frank Rechtsanwälte GmbH |
| 12:00 | MSI Month - Highlights and awards | Pauline Rottstock - MSI Global Alliance |
| 12:15 | 2019 International Conference Australia | Stuart Wagschall - Thomas Davis & Co |
| 12:30 | Closing remarks | Tim Wilson - MSI Global Alliance |
| 12:40 | <i>Buffet lunch in Neptuno</i> | |

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