

CONFERENCE AGENDA

Saturday 19 October

- 08:30 *Teas & coffees for MSI Board Members*
- 09:00 – **MSI Board meeting** *(for MSI Board Members only)*
- 11:30 Meeting room: TBC

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: TBC
- 10:00 **Management Board meeting** *(for Area representatives & MSI Board Members only)*
Meeting room: TBC
- 12:00 **Lunch**
- 13:00 **MSI Specialist Interest Group Meetings** *(see schedule below for individual meetings)*

13:00 – 15:00 Mergers and Acquisitions Meeting room: TBC	13:00 – 15:00 International Tax Meeting room: TBC
15:00 – 16:00 Private Clients & Estate Planning Meeting room: TBC	15:00 – 16:00 VAT Meeting room: TBC
16:00 – 17:00 Real Estate Meeting room: TBC	16:00 – 17:30 Transfer pricing Meeting room: TBC

Monday 21 October

Room: TBC

- 08:45 *Teas and coffees for delegates will be available*
- 09:30 **Introduction and welcome** **Tim Wilson**
MSI Global Alliance
- 09:35 **Welcome to Madrid** **Pedrosa Lagos & AFP**
- 09:50 **Welcome to new members** **Tim Wilson**
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- 10:15 *Networking break*



10:45	MSI today and going forward	Tim Wilson <i>MSI Global Alliance</i>
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 <i>President of the Spanish Foundation Euroamerica; former President OSCE; former Commissioner EU; former Minister of Foreign Affairs Austria.</i>
13:00	<i>Buffet lunch</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	Closing remarks: day 1	Tim Wilson <i>MSI Global Alliance</i>

Tuesday 22 October**Room: TBC**

08:30	<i>Teas and coffees for delegates will be available</i>	
09:00	Our 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">1) <i>accounting and auditing cases, liability issues and areas of special risk for accountants and auditors,</i>2) <i>accounting cases against listed companies and investment funds;</i>3) <i>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 ourselves. We will cover some process areas and show some statistics of performance improvements that firms can use.</i>	Tore Teir Greenstep Oy



- 10:15 *Networking break (to include room check-out for those that need it)*
- 10:45 **Creating a competitive advantage in professional service firms: placing people and talent at the heart of your strategy**
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 will provide an opportunity for discussion of best talent management practices.
- 11:25 **Women in the professions**
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.
- 12:00 **MSI Month – highlights and awards**
- 12:15 **2019 International Conference Australia**
- 12:30 **Closing remarks**
- 12:40 *Buffet lunch*
- Jamie Lyon**
The Association of Chartered Certified Accountant (ACCA)
- Franz Heidinger**
Alix Frank Rechtsanwälte GmbH
- Pauline Rottstock**
MSI Global Alliance
- Our Sydney member firms**
- Tim Wilson**
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