

PILnet's 2011 European Pro Bono Forum

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November 16

10:00–16:00

Pre-Forum Workshop for Pro Bono Clearinghouses

Location: stiftung neue verantwortung, Beisheim Center,
Berliner Freiheit 2, 10785 Berlin

19:00–21:00

Welcome Reception

Location: Hotel Concorde Berlin,
Augsburger Straße 41, 10789 Berlin

November 17

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08:00–09:00

Registration

09:00–10:15

Forum Opening

Concorde Room

- **Edwin Rekosh** | PILnet | USA
- **Viviane Reding** | European Commission | Luxembourg
Recorded video message
- **Andrzej Rzepliński** | Constitutional Tribunal | Poland
- **Axel Filges** | German Federal Bar | Germany
- **Wolfgang Ewer** | German Bar Association | Germany
- **Joss Saunders** | Oxfam | UK

10:15–11:00

Coffee Break

WORKSHOP STREAMS

Pro Bono Developments in Germany

Pro Bono Infrastructure

Pro Bono and Human Rights

Hot Topics in Pro Bono

11:00–12:00

WORKSHOP SESSION 1

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Pro Bono in Germany

sponsored by Ashurst LLP

Concorde Room A

This workshop will explore the main challenges to promoting pro bono in Germany and provide insight into how these challenges can be overcome.

Moderator:

- **Christian Bunsen** | Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP | Germany

Panelists:

- **Benno Heussen** | Heussen, German Bar Association | Germany
- **Malte Richter** | Mayer Brown LLP | Germany
- **Kathrin Wieland** | Save the Children | Germany

Developing Best Practices to Strengthen Internal Pro Bono Structures

Odeon Room

Panelists will address the main organizational challenges to institutionalizing pro bono programs within law firms and will also explore the ways in which law firms and NGOs can take full advantage of clearinghouse systems.

Moderator:

- **Elisabeth Baraka** | A4ID | UK

Panelists:

- **Marga Flader** | Afghanistan-Schulen | Germany
- **Julie Dickins** | Mayer Brown LLP | UK
- **Carmen Pombo** | Gomez Acebo & Pombo, Fundación Fernando Pombo | Spain

Pro bono lawyers and human rights NGOs will explore current issues related to migration, including asylum and refugee matters, and highlight ways in which pro bono initiatives can assist European NGOs active on these issues.

Moderator:

- **Denis Chemla** | Droit D'Urgence/Allen & Overy LLP | France

Panelists:

- **Paul Stone** | DLA Piper | UK
- **Ulrich Stege** | International University College of Turin (IUC) | Italy
- **Pádraic Kenna** | FEANTSA Expert Group on Housing Rights / National University of Ireland Galway | Ireland
- **Emilia T. Klepacka** | Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe, Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights | Poland



Corporate Social Responsibility: Maximizing Pro Bono's Impact

sponsored by Jones Day Foundation

Vendome Room

Panelists will demonstrate how the corporate social responsibility movement can be effectively harnessed to promote pro bono throughout Europe and encourage variety and innovation in the field.

Moderator:

- **Birgit Spiesshofer** | Salans LLP, CCBE CSR Committee | Germany

Panelists:

- **Peter Kromminga** | UPJ | Germany
- **James Daffurn** | Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP | UK
- **Paul Fraser** | UNICEF | UK

German Firms and International Pro Bono Mandates

Concorde Room A

Panelists will discuss various opportunities for German law firms to carry out pro bono work to benefit the public interest outside of Europe.

Moderator:

- **Florian Mahler** | Clifford Chance LLP | Germany

Panelists:

- **Matthias Koch** | Hogan Lovells International LLP | Germany
- **Servaas Feiertag** | Transparency International | Germany
- **Chaitanya Patel** | Reprieve | UK

LATHAM & WATKINS LLP
Overcoming Obstacles to Pro Bono in Europe

sponsored by Latham & Watkins LLP

Odeon Room

Panelists will share ideas and tools from various jurisdictions to highlight ways in which law firms can overcome perceived obstacles to pro bono.

Moderator:

- **Christopher Noblet** | Partos & Noblet in cooperation with Hogan Lovells International LLP | Hungary

Panelists:

- **Emanuela Basso Petrino** | Latham & Watkins LLP | Italy
- **Matthias Kilian** | University of Cologne, Soldan Institute for Law Practice Management | Germany
- **Tamás Barabás** | PILnet | Hungary

Business and Human Rights

Concorde Room B

Panelists will explore the changing relationship between business and human rights and will discuss opportunities for law firms to engage meaningfully with this issue.

Moderator:

- **Rae Lindsay** | Clifford Chance LLP | UK

Panelists:

- **Wolfgang Kaleck** | European Center for Constitutional and Human Rights | Germany
- **Claire Methven O'Brien** | Danish Institute for Human Rights | Denmark
- **Adam Bodnar** | Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights | Poland

Engaging Law Schools in the Delivery of Pro Bono Services

Vendome Room

Panelists will look at how law firms can promote the development of pro bono clinics, clinical legal education, and ethics in law schools, including the challenges of developing these areas in European law schools and how they can be overcome.

Moderator:

- **Ellen P. Chapnick** | Columbia Law School | USA

Panelists:

- **Martin Curtis** | LawWorks | UK
- **José M. de Areilza** | IE Law School | Spain
- **Stephan Hocks** | Refugee Law Clinic, University of Giessen | Germany

13:15–14:45



Lunch

sponsored by Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP

Contributing to the World of Thinkers

Concorde Room A

Supporting and strengthening the innovative minds that shape the political, scientific, and intellectual future is an innovative priority for pro bono. Panelists will discuss the opportunities of cooperation in this field.

Moderator:

- **Albrecht von Breitenbuch** | Orrick Hölters & Elsing | Germany

Panelists:

- **Lars Zimmermann** | stiftung neue verantwortung | Germany
- **Deidre Berger** | American Jewish Committee | Germany
- **Hans P. Birle** | The Nature Conservancy | USA

National and Regional Law Firms

Odeon Room

Panelists will discuss the opportunities and practicalities involved in setting up pro bono initiatives in national and regional law firms.

Moderator:

- **Jan Hegemann** | Raue LLP | Germany

Panelists:

- **Agostinho Pereira de Miranda** | Miranda Correia Amendoeira & Associados | Portugal
- **Guillermina Ester** | Perez Llorca | Spain
- **Olga Šipka** | Moravčević Vojnović Zdravković in cooperation with Schoenherr | Serbia

Advancing Women's Rights

Concorde Room B

This panel will discuss current issues and trends in women's rights in Europe and describe law firm-NGO collaborations that are making a difference for European women.

Moderator:

- **Ian Forrester, Q.C.** | White & Case LLP | Belgium

Panelists:

- **Johanna Fine** | Center for Reproductive Rights | USA
- **Wolfgang Kaleck** | European Center for Constitutional and Human Rights | Germany
- **Monique Villa** | TrustLaw | UK

- **Karolina Więckiewicz** | Polish Federation for Women and Family Planning | Poland

Know Your Rights—Legal Knowledge and Skills for Young People

Vendome Room

Representatives from projects throughout Europe will share their experiences on pro bono projects that involve interaction between lawyers and schools, especially involving socially excluded young people.

Moderator:

- **Fiona Whittenbury** | Citizenship Foundation | UK

Panelists:

- **Lourdes Martín** | Uría Menéndez | Spain
- **Olad Aden** | Gangway | Germany
- **Tudor Botea** | CMS Cameron McKenna | Romania

15:45–16:30

Coffee Break

15:45–17:45

WHITE & CASE

NGO Marketplace

sponsored by White & Case LLP

Opera Room, 2nd floor

NGO representatives and pro bono lawyers are invited to join the Marketplace and meet one-on-one to discuss possible new partnerships.

16:30–17:45

Dechert
LLP

Legal Aid and Pro Bono

sponsored by Dechert LLP

Concorde Room

This plenary session will address how the pro bono community can best ensure that pro bono is a complement to, not a substitute for, properly funded legal aid systems.

Moderator:

- **Michael Skrein** | Reed Smith LLP | UK

Panelists:

- **Fernando Piernavieja Niembro** | CCBE Access to Justice Committee | Spain
- **Javier Rivera** | Madrid Bar Association | Spain
- **Dmitry Shabelnikov** | PILnet | Russia
- **Floris ten Have** | Stibbe Amsterdam | Netherlands

19:30–23:00



Evening Reception and Film Screening

sponsored by Freshfields Bruckhaus
Deringer LLP

CineStar Event Cinema
Potsdamer Straße
(inside the Sony center)

A special screening of the film *Our School* will start at 21:00 and will be followed by a Q&A with director Mona Nicoara.

November 18

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08:00–09:00

Registration

09:00–10:00

WORKSHOP SESSION 4



Making Pro Bono Work for In-House Lawyers in Europe

sponsored by MSD

Odeon Room

Panelists will discuss the practical issues involved in establishing pro bono programs for in-house lawyers in European companies.

Moderator:

- **Alexandra Turton** | General Electric | UK

Panelists:

- **Hannes Meckel** | General Electric | Germany
- **Anne Kelley** | Microsoft | USA
- **Harold Glasser** | Merck & Co. | USA

Roma, Travellers, and Sinti

Concorde Room B

Representatives from human rights NGOs and law firms will share their experiences and expertise to explore the ways in which pro bono initiatives can assist European-based NGOs focused on Roma issues.

Moderator:

- **Costel Bercus** | Roma Education Fund | Romania

Panelists:

- **Iulius Rostas** | Babes Bolyai University | Romania
- **Siobhan Cummiskey** | Irish Traveller Movement | Ireland
- **Nina Althoff** | German Institute for Human Rights | Germany

Pro Bono and the Environment

sponsored by Paul Hasting LLP

Vendome Room

Representatives from both the legal and NGO fields will explore the growing relationship between pro bono and environmental issues and discuss how pro bono initiatives can help tackle these problems.

Moderator:

- **Jasper Teulings** | Greenpeace | Netherlands

Panelists:

- **Anaïs Berthier** | Client Earth | Belgium
- **Kristína Šabová** | Environmental Law Service | Czech Republic
- **Nick Flynn** | Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP | UK
- **Pierre Kirch** | Paul Hastings LLP | France

10:00–11:30

 Pro Bono

The Role of the Bar

sponsored by Pro Bono Deutschland e.V.

Concorde Room

This plenary workshop will look at how national and regional bars throughout Europe can engage with and promote pro bono activities.

Moderators:

- **Jan Hegemann** | Raue LLP | Germany
- **Patricia Brannan** | Hogan Lovells US LLP | USA

Panelists:

- **Irene Schmid** | Berlin Bar Association | Germany
- **Antonio Hernandez-Gil Alvarez-Cienfuegos** | Madrid Bar Association | Spain
- **Christiane Féral-Schuhl** | Paris Bar Association | France

11:30–12:00

Coffee Break

12:00–13:30

Forum Closing and Presentation of PILnet's Pro Bono Awards

Concorde Room

- **Edwin Rekosh** | PILnet | USA
- **Lord Phillips of Sudbury** | Bates Wells & Braithwaite LLP | UK
- **Jan Hegemann** | Raue LLP | Germany
- **Atanas Politov** | PILnet | Hungary

13:30–15:00

Lunch
