

Ireland For Law US Autumn Programme – Press release

***Ireland for Law* promotes Irish and EU law legal services to US forum**

- The Minister for Justice, Attorney General and President of the High Court, lead mission, supported by the IDA, the Law Society of Ireland and the Bar Council of Ireland.
 - Relevant for senior US lawyers and General Counsel – commercial law, financial services, structured finance, corporate insolvency and international arbitration.
 - As an English speaking common law jurisdiction, Ireland is the preferred legal hub for US companies doing business in Europe.
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An intensive three-day promotional visit to New York will highlight Ireland's unique attributes as a centre for international legal services to a US audience of senior commercial lawyers, counsel and executives.

The scale of Ireland's offering for legal services, including our position as the sole English language common law jurisdiction benefiting from EU membership, will be highlighted at a number of engagements in New York:

- Restructuring with Ireland: **A Discussion on Parallel US / Irish Corporate Restructurings**
- Ireland: **Destination Financial Services & Structured Finance Transactions**
- Arbitration Ireland: **EU & International Reach**
- New York State Bar Association Event: **International Enforcement Post-Brexit**

The mission will bring together members of The Law Society of Ireland, including representatives from A & L Goodbody, Arthur Cox, Byrne Wallace, Dillon Eustace, DLA Piper, Eversheds Sutherland, Maples, Mason Hayes & Curran, Matheson, McCann FitzGerald, RDJ, Simmons and Simmons and

William Fry, members of the Bar of Ireland and counterparts in leading US law firms.

The Minister for Justice, Helen McEntee TD, will be joined by the Attorney General, Paul Gallagher SC; The Hon Mr Justice David Barniville, President of the High Court of Ireland and Michelle Ní Longáin, President of the Law Society of Ireland, in highlighting Ireland's legal expertise in corporate advice, transactions and international dispute resolution and restructuring.

International focus of Ireland's legal offering

Speaking in advance of the trade visit, Patrick Leonard, Senior Counsel, The Bar of Ireland, said:



“We look forward to developing and strengthening relationships with our US colleagues. Ireland’s proposition, post Covid, remains as strong as ever.

In an increasingly complex environment for clients who operate cross border, Irish legal services meet the needs of US corporates doing business in Europe.”

Delivering added value for firms

Tara Doyle, Chair, Matheson, commented:



“Irish legal advisors and the legal culture in Ireland adds value for clients – through strategic advice in respect of litigation and the localisation of complex operations in the EU. The financial services industry in Ireland, and the highly specialised legal competence that supports its growth, has expanded over the last four decades and all of the leading global investment and financial institutions have operations here.

We have a complete service offering for both prospective new entrants and existing clients.”

Strengthening international relationships

Michelle Ní Longáin, President of the Law Society, Ireland, commented:



“The Law Society of Ireland is very happy to work with Government, State agencies and the Bar of Ireland on this important visit to our US colleagues. This is a collaborative effort to promote Ireland as a strong, effective legal jurisdiction with an independent judiciary and courts service. Ireland has full service contentious and non-contentious legal expertise in all sectors and a common law legal system incorporating the rule of law. The Irish legal system is skilled and experienced in working with US clients across all their legal needs.”

The engagements throughout the visit include:

| Restructuring with Ireland: A Discussion on Parallel US / Irish Corporate Restructurings | Ireland as a Destination for Financial Services and Structured Finance Transactions |
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| <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Helen McEntee TD, Minister for Justice, Ireland • Paul Gallagher SC, Attorney General of Ireland • The Hon Mr Justice David Barniville, President of the High Court of Ireland • Kelley Smith SC, The Bar of Ireland <p>Further details here</p> | <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michelle Ní Longáin, President of the Law Society, Ireland • Helen McEntee TD, Minister for Justice, Ireland • Paul Gallagher SC, Attorney General of Ireland • Gary Palmer, CEO, Irish Debt Securities Association (IDSA) • Maurizio Pastore, Head of Debt and Funds Listing, Euronext Dublin • Rob Grammer, Debt Capital Markets team at Société Générale’s New York office <p>Further details here</p> |
| Arbitration Ireland: EU & International Reach | NYSBA: International Enforcement Post Brexit |
| <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Judge Richard J. Sullivan, United States Court | <p>Speakers:</p> |

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| <p>of Appeals for the Second Circuit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon Mr Justice David Barniville, President of the High Court of Ireland • Nicola Dunleavy SC, Partner, Matheson, Dublin & President of Arbitration Ireland • Thomas W Walsh, Partner, Arbitration, Freshfields, New York • Kevin O'Gorman, Head of Arbitration, United States; Partner-in-Charge, Houston <p>Further details here</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon Mr Justice David Barniville, President of the High Court of Ireland • Howard Fischer, Partner, Moses and Singer LLP • Eve Mulconry, Partner, Arthur Cox LLP • Paul McGarry SC, The Bar of Ireland <p>Further details here</p> |
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Notes to Editors

1. Ireland for Law is the Irish Government's International Legal Services Strategy. The delegation's visit to New York forms part of a continuing series of international engagements, with forthcoming missions in 2022 and 2023 to:
 - Madrid
 - Brussels
 - London
 - Chicago
2. This strategy has been created to represent and position Ireland's international legal services industry. We seek to promote Irish Law and Irish legal services to the international business community, particularly in areas where Ireland is already a world leader, including aviation finance, asset management, funds, insurance, tech, pharma and life sciences.
3. The strategy complements *Ireland for Finance*, the strategy for the international financial services sector to 2025.
4. Ireland for Law is Chaired by former Irish Prime Minister, John Bruton
5. Further details at <https://www.irelandforlaw.com/> .
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