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Dear members,

As 2022 comes towards an end I can look back with pride at what we have achieved this year. We have successfully restarted our conference programme and reacquainted ourselves with old friends and new ones.

We also have reshaped our Board and allowed Graham Wallace to retire as our Chairman having served the organisation for so long and we should remember to give thanks for all his work. He has left me an incredible legacy and I just hope I can do half as good as a job as he did.

We also have to thank Jesse Hartgring and Jens Langendorff who stepped down from the Board this year and welcome Marjolein van Leeuwen and Ida Stavnes Høisæther as new Board members who have already brought a new dynamism and enthusiasm with them.

I would like to also pay tribute to Elke Bockisch for her unstinting hard work and for being the beating heart of IPG.

We continue to actively seek to expand the membership base and I would remind all of you to keep letting Elke have any leads. Don't forget M&A advisors are also now a target for us.

I would remind all of you that we have our Spring conference in Berlin between 11 and 14 May 2023 and Madrid in Autumn 2023 (the exact date will be communicated soon).

I look forward to seeing all of you at those conferences.

It only remains for me to thank you all for your continuing support of IPG and to wish you a Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

See you in 2023.

Best wishes,



[Nicholas Lakeland](#)



Summary report of IPG autumn conference 2022 in Limassol

Some 68 delegates, companions and observers were gathered at the luxurious Parklane Collection Resort and Spa in Limassol, Cyprus for IPG's Autumn Conference. Still buzzing with the enthusiasm that followed the Spring Conference in Florence, the participants took pleasure in the warm and sunny weather, a great program on the business side as well as socially and culturally and we all got to enjoy the company of old and new friends in this beautiful setting.

Our two hosts Chrysanthi Varnava of TLS Partners and Neophytos Papakyriacou of Papakyriacou & Partners Ltd greeted us with such a warm welcome to this beautiful island, and they had put together a fantastic program.

The Conference offered a detailed and intriguing insight into Cyprus' flourishing economy, with three sessions containing 1) tips and opportunities for investing in Cyprus, 2) tech and innovation and 3) innovation and leadership. During the Conference day, we heard great speakers, such as the Deputy Shipping Minister, on topics of: Shipping opportunities, investment opportunities in a legal and corporate view, the accountancy profession as a driver to investments, foreign direct investments, and a new era for research and innovation in Cyprus. During the third session, we were treated to keynote speaker Dimis Michaelides' take on leading innovation in practice, followed by a mini workshop, which all participants seemed to enjoy very much.

On Saturday morning, the delegates were informed about the changes in the Board of IPG, as Jesse Hartgring is stepping down and being replaced by Marjolein van Leeuwen and Ida Stavnes Høisæther joining as an additional Director. There is also a change in the treasurer position Duncan Stannett will leave his position to Elliot Arwas. During the open mic session we heard on changing trademark laws in the US, AI industry; regulation and opportunities for collaboration, humanification of AI and Swiss-Liechtenstein financing models, particularly pertaining to home

investments for private individuals.

On Saturday afternoon the participants were taken on a bus tour to the Paphos area visiting the famous Tombs of the Kings, Rock of Aphrodite, House of Dionysos and the Ancient Kourion.

We were treated to fine dining at excellent venues throughout the whole conference. A particular delight was undoubtedly the formal dinner at Carob Mills where we enjoyed great food, authentic Cypriote entertainment and dancing. An evening of dancing and fun was highly appreciated by all.

A big thanks to the IPG Board and Elke for organizing such a fantastic event and especially to our two hosts Neophytos and Chrysanthi for their hospitality and for putting together a great program and showing us some of the very best Limassol and Cyprus has to offer. We enjoyed it immensely. We are now looking very much forward to the reunion in Berlin in May 2023.



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Augusta Abogados recognised again by Best Lawyers in multiple areas of practice

After receiving last year the recognition by Best Lawyers as “Law Firm of the Year in Spain” in the area of Transportation Law, also in this year’s 15th edition (The Best Lawyers in Spain 2023 | Best Lawyers) our lawyers have been included as leaders in the following areas of practice:

- Administrative Law – Miquel Àngel Alonso
- Aviation Law – Sergi Giménez Binder
- Corporate and Mergers and Acquisitions Law – Miquel Àngel Alonso and Sergi Giménez Binder

- Insolvency and Reorganization Law – Alicia Herrador Muñoz, Sara Iglesias López y Miquel Àngel Alonso
- Labor and Employment Law – Juan Jose Hita Industrial Relations, Employment Litigation, Mattia Cardinali and Erica Paratore
- Litigation – Jaime Fernández Cortés, Alicia Herrador Muñoz, Manuel Gallego Rodríguez y Sara Iglesias López
- Transportation – Sergi Giménez Binder

It is a matter of justice to thank all our clients and colleagues who support us. As always, we take this recognition as an incentive to continue promoting the values of this firm.

Congratulations Augusta team!



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Law Firm of the Year 2022 in the Intellectual Property category

Congratulations to Veronika Křížová and team Kříž & Partners for winning the 15th annual Law Firm of the Year award in the Intellectual Property category.

This honour has been bestowed upon us for the umpteenth time.

We are pleased to announce this fact to our clients and business partners, as we are convinced

that receiving this prestigious award is extremely motivating and inspiring for us to continue providing high quality legal services in the future.



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Namita Chadha Star Woman Lawyer of the Year 2022

Chadha & Co. is delighted to inform all colleagues, clients and friends that our Founder & Co-Managing Partner, Ms. Namita Chadha, was felicitated as "Star Woman Lawyer of the Year 2022" at the 4th Legal Era Women in Law Excellence Awards 2022!

Great achievement Namita - congratulations.



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Golenbock Represents BrainPOP in its 100% Acquisition by LEGO Parent, KIRKBI

Golenbock Eiseman Assor Bell & Peskoe LLP represented [BrainPOP](#), a leading educational technology business, [KIRKBI A/S](#), the long-term owner of the [LEGO](#) brand. Golenbock's team was led by corporate partners [Richard Kaplan](#), [Andrew Peskoe](#) and [Robert Zimmerman](#), of counsel [Elizabeth Li](#) and associate [Daniel Cohen](#), tax partner [Jeff Berger](#) and intellectual property partner [Robin Silverman](#).

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