

Half-Day Session with Lunch  
Radisson Blu Hotel, Karl-Liebnecht-Strasse 3, 10178 Berlin

## LEGAL FALLOUT FROM THE DIESELGATE EMISSIONS SCANDAL

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Chair: Anne MacGregor, Founder, Knowledge Nomads

.....● 9:00 am ●.....

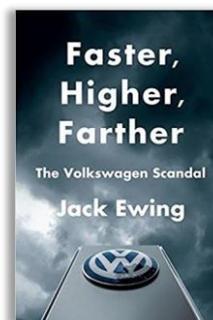


*Jack Ewing, European Economics Correspondent, The International New York Times, Frankfurt*

### **FASTER, HIGHER, FARTHER: WHEN CORPORATE COMPLIANCE MECHANISMS FAIL**

How did one of the world's most respected companies end up at the centre of a global scandal which rocked the car industry and damaged consumer confidence? New York Times journalist Jack Ewing will talk about how the emissions scandal unfolded and the corporate failings within Volkswagen which led to this unprecedented saga, documented in his new book "Faster, Higher, Farther: The Volkswagen Scandal". He will tease out the lessons that can be learned in corporate governance, risk management and compliance.

*All participants in this session will receive a complimentary copy of "Faster, Higher, Farther: The Volkswagen Scandal", and Jack will be available to sign your copy during the morning.*



.....● 9:50 am ●.....



*Evan O'Dwyer, Irish Solicitor and Litigation Specialist, O'Dwyer Solicitors, County Mayo*

### **CONSUMER REDRESS: MY CAR'S WORTH LESS NOW**

What avenues of redress do owners of VW Group brand diesel cars have in the wake of Dieseldate? Evan O'Dwyer will talk about his representation of a County Mayo nurse, Eithne Higgins, the owner of a Seat Leon, who came to him with exactly that question. Evan is now acting for several hundred aggrieved Irish motorists in a class action lawsuit.

.....● 10:40 am *Questions and Discussion* ●.....

Speaker biographies can be found on the [conference website](#).

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.....● 11:00 am *Coffee Break*

.....● 11:20 am



*Dr Benjamin Stephan, Mobility & Climate Change Campaigner, Greenpeace, Hamburg*

#### **EMISSIONS STANDARDS AND ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION IN THE WAKE OF DIESELGATE**

What are the existing laws and standards on diesel emissions in Europe and elsewhere? Are they sufficient, and are they adequately enforced in various countries? How did Volkswagen manage to circumvent them for so long? Dr Benjamin Stephan will talk about Greenpeace's campaigning following the Dieselpgate revelations and its efforts to try to achieve better air quality in German cities.

.....● 12:10 noon



**Dr Nadine Herrmann, Partner, Quinn Emanuel, Hamburg**

#### **SHAREHOLDER RETRIBUTION: CLASS ACTIONS BY VW INVESTORS**

Volkswagen's largest investors are a significant constituency and a number of them are alleging that as shareholders in the global car giant, they suffered loss as a result of the Dieselpgate emissions scandal. Dr Nadine Herrmann will explain the intricacies of the case seeking damages presently before Germany's Braunschweig District Court, in which shareholders are alleging in part that VW failed to publish market sensitive information in a timely manner, in breach of German securities law.

.....● 1:00 pm *Questions and Discussion*

.....● 1:20 pm *Close*

**NOTE: Knowledge Nomads extended various invitations to Volkswagen to send a speaker to participate in this session, but those invitations were declined.**

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