CONFERENCE

Frankfurt Seminar: High Yield and Leveraged Finance in Europe

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09:00 / Registration and refreshments

09:30

Welcome remarks

Speakers

Gary Simmons
Managing Director, High Yield and Equity Capital Markets, Association for Financial Markets in Europe (AFME)

Oliver Socher
EMEA Banking & Finance Chair and member of Global Banking & Finance Steering Committee, Baker McKenzie

PANEL DISCUSSION

09:45

Leveraged Finance Market Update 2022

OVERVIEW

- Market performance to date and predictions
- Products / Industries / Jurisdictions to watch
- EU/US/UK Sanctions environment
- Ongoing impact of COVID-19, current macroeconomic environment and geopolitical uncertainty
- German Market Update

Moderator

Rob Mathews
Partner, Baker & McKenzie

Speakers

Ales Mydlar
Head of Sponsor Leveraged Finance DACH & CEE, J.P. Morgan

Degenhard Schroeren
Executive Director, Cubus Partners

Joerg Krafft
Co-Head Leveraged Markets, Commerzbank

Patrick Janssen
Director, European Leveraged Finance, S&P Global Ratings

Simone Bono
Partner, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer

PANEL DISCUSSION

10:30

Trends in Restructuring 2022

OVERVIEW

- Discussion of restructuring landscape 2022
- COVID and the insolvency wave that never came
- Increased corporate debt levels and the necessity to repay the COVID loans
- Implementation of the EU Restructuring Directive
- What's next? Potential drivers of restructuring activity with a special focus on disruptions of global supply chains, inflationary pressure and potential interest

Moderator

Joachim Ponseck
Partner, Baker McKenzie

Speakers

Aurelia Seidlhofer
Deputy Editor, Distressed Debt, Reorg

Dr Jürgen Erbe
Insolvency Administrator, Schultze & Braun

Jens Haas
Managing Director, Alix Partners

11:20 / Networking break

PANEL DISCUSSION

11:40

Hot Topics in Leveraged Finance 2022

OVERVIEW

- Leveraged loans and high yield bonds covenant update
- Sanctions issues for finance documents
- Sustainable Finance
- Balance between Direct Lending and more traditional financings
- Trends in the German Market

Moderator

Haden Henderson
Partner, Baker Mckenzie

Speakers

Alice Holian
Legal Analyst, 9fin

Matthias Töke
Counsel, Baker McKenzie

Dominic Ashcroft
Co-head Leveraged Finance Capital Markets, EMEA, Goldman Sachs

Ralph Betz
Managing Director, Bridgepoint Credit

Edward Drayton
Vice President, BlackRock

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Closing remarks

12:35 / Networking lunch