

**GGI EUROPEAN REGIONAL CONFERENCE**  
**21-24 APRIL 2016**  
**WARSAW, POLAND**

**INVITATION LETTER**

4 December 2015

Dear GGI member and friend

Warsaw may be a gritty city, but it's a city that has suffered some of the darkest days in history and come out on the other side. Today, it is one of the few capital cities in Europe where there is no austerity. What a delight, therefore, to be able to invite you to join us for next year's GGI European Regional Conference on 21-24 April 2016, kindly hosted by the following GGI member firms:



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As usual, we have included important information on the Conference in this document. Separately, we have also issued a \*draft\* Delegate Programme. GGI reserves the right to continue to update the programme right up until the Conference so please ensure you are always referring to the latest version.

Should you require any further information, do let me know. I really hope you are able to join us for yet another spectacular event.

Kind regards

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## CONFERENCE DETAILS



### Warsaw

“Although it joined the European Union on 1 May 2004, no other city in the world seems to have been as unlucky as Warsaw. It was ravaged by the Third Reich and colonised by the Soviet Union. Since it became Poland's capital, more than 400 years ago, it has been invaded with alarming regularity, by Russians, Prussians and even Swedes. Picture-postcard views aren't really what Warsaw is all about. You come for the subtler thrill of being somewhere that's suffered and survived. The triumph of endurance is what makes Warsaw so idealistic and romantic. When you learn a bit about its recent history, you realise that it's a miracle that this dashing metropolis is still here at all.” [Source: Condé Nast Traveller] Read more about Warsaw at:

[www.cntraveller.com/guides/europe/poland/warsaw](http://www.cntraveller.com/guides/europe/poland/warsaw)

[www.lonelyplanet.com/poland/warsaw](http://www.lonelyplanet.com/poland/warsaw)

## Conference Hotel

The Conference will be held in the **InterContinental Hotel** which is located in the heart of Warsaw.

### InterContinental Hotel

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## Programme

Please refer to the accompanying \*draft\* Delegate Programme, issued separately. GGI reserves the right to change the times and any part of the Delegate Programme at any time up to the Conference.

## Practice Group Meetings

We would ask you to sign up to attend the Practice Groups as scheduled in the Delegate Programme. For the Rounds on Friday, please select only ONE Practice Group from each Round. Practice Groups are optional and will not affect the price of your Registration Fee at this Conference.

Please note that these meetings may still be changed in the final programme.

Should you have any specific questions about any of the Practice Groups, please do not hesitate to contact the relevant Practice Group Chairperson(s) directly using the email address provided below.

### THURSDAY, 21 April 2016, 14:30 – 18:00:

- **International Taxation (ITPG)**  
Oliver Biernat, [o.biernat@benefitax.de](mailto:o.biernat@benefitax.de)

### FRIDAY, 22 April 2016, 14:00 – 15:30 (Round 1):

- **Auditing, Reporting & Compliance**  
Boris Michels, [michels@noerenbergschroeder.de](mailto:michels@noerenbergschroeder.de)
- **Corporate, Commercial & IP**  
Daniel Smyrek, [dsmyrek@diempartner.de](mailto:dsmyrek@diempartner.de)
- **Global Political Economy & International Relations – Understanding the International Economic Order**  
Claudio G. Cocca, [cocca@ggi.com](mailto:cocca@ggi.com)
- **Labour Law**  
Jeffrey L.R. Kenens, [kenens@tk.nl](mailto:kenens@tk.nl)
- **Litigation & Dispute Resolution**  
Johan F. Langelaar, [langelaar@tk.nl](mailto:langelaar@tk.nl)
- **Real Estate**  
Paul Simmons, [pdsimmons@hwca.com](mailto:pdsimmons@hwca.com)
- **Tax Controversy & Tax Audit Defence**  
Ionut C. Zeche, [izeche@mirus-group.eu](mailto:izeche@mirus-group.eu)  
Raluca Tutu, [traluca@mirus-group.eu](mailto:traluca@mirus-group.eu)

### FRIDAY, 22 April 2016, 16:00 – 17:30 (Round 2):

- **Business Development & Marketing**  
Alan Rajah, [alan@lawrencegrant.co.uk](mailto:alan@lawrencegrant.co.uk)
- **Debt Collection, Restructuring & Insolvency**  
Dr Attila Kovács, [kovacs.attila@krs.hu](mailto:kovacs.attila@krs.hu)
- **Immigration & Expatriate Services**  
Huub Kapel, [huub@limes-int.com](mailto:huub@limes-int.com)
- **Indirect Taxes (ITPG Sub-Group)**  
Steve McCrindle, [SMcCrindle@hwca.com](mailto:SMcCrindle@hwca.com)  
Toon Hasselman, [toon@limes-int.com](mailto:toon@limes-int.com)
- **M&A**  
Tim van der Meer, [t.vandermeer@marktlink.nl](mailto:t.vandermeer@marktlink.nl)
- **Trust & Estate Planning**  
Dennis Nerland, [dln@snclaw.com](mailto:dln@snclaw.com)

## Workshops

Details of the workshops will be issued in the final Delegate Programme. Any GGI member who would like to contribute by presenting one of these should contact Linda Soriton ([soriton@ggi.com](mailto:soriton@ggi.com)) with a proposal no later than **31 January 2016**. It would be beneficial to have attended a GGI Conference in the past and to have an understanding as to how the workshops are run.

## Conference Fees

**All prices quoted are in Euros (EUR).**

Conference fees are all-inclusive and cover the following costs:

- All Conference materials and facilities.
- Accommodation (3 nights) on a B&B basis, 21-24 April 2016.
- Meals as specified in the programme.

**There is no reduction in fees for non-attendance of any portion of the full Conference Programme.**

**The Early Bird Registration fee is provided as a benefit to those who register early and pay on time. GGI reserves the right to amend invoices back to the regular rates, once a payment is not received by the due date.**

There are a limited number of rooms in the hotel. Rooms will be allocated on a first-come first-served basis, depending on availability. Availability on GGI's website (intranet) does not necessarily indicate rooms actually available in the hotel, although every effort will be made to update the intranet as soon as information is received.

### **Cancellation policy:**

Cancellations before 15 January 2016	50% of the total amount will be charged.
Cancellations before 27 February 2016	75% of the total amount will be charged.
After 27 February 2016	The total amount will be charged.

**FOR CLARITY:** An Accompanying Person is classed as a partner/spouse or friend who is traveling with DELEGATE #1 but **NOT** attending the Conference (except for the social events).

REGISTRATION	REGULAR RATE (AFTER 15 JANUARY 2016)	EARLY BIRD RATE (UNTIL 15 JANUARY 2016)
ONE DELEGATE SINGLE OCCUPANCY B&B (3 NIGHTS) STANDARD ROOM	EUR 2'795.-	EUR 2'295.-
ONE DELEGATE & ONE ACCOMPANYING PERSON DOUBLE/TWIN OCCUPANCY B&B (3 NIGHTS) STANDARD ROOM	EUR 3'495.-	EUR 2'995.-
TWO DELEGATES SHARING A ROOM DOUBLE/TWIN OCCUPANCY B&B (3 NIGHTS) STANDARD ROOM	EUR 4'760.-	EUR 4'260.-

ADDITIONAL NIGHTS	PRICE PER NIGHT
SINGLE OCCUPANCY B&B STANDARD ROOM	EUR 120.-
DOUBLE/TWIN OCCUPANCY B&B STANDARD ROOM	EUR 130.-

Upgrades are also available, as follows (but please note that these depend on availability from the hotel) – please contact us to upgrade or with regards to any queries.

UPGRADES	SUPPLEMENT PER ROOM PER NIGHT
DELUXE	EUR 45.-
CLUB	EUR 80.-
JUNIOR SUITE	EUR 110.-

### Extra-Curricular Activities (Optional)

Full details are listed in the Delegate Programme. Prices are as follows:

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<b>THURSDAY, 21 APRIL 2016, 09:30 – 17:30</b> <b>Hidden traces of Jewish culture and history in Warsaw</b> (Not suitable for those planning to attend the ITPG meeting.)	<b>EUR 100.-</b>
<b>THURSDAY, 21 APRIL 2016, 13:30 – 16:30</b> <b>Orientation Tour of Warsaw</b> (Not suitable for those planning to attend the ITPG meeting.)	<b>EUR 55.-</b>
<b>FRIDAY, 22 APRIL 2016, 09:30 – 17:30</b> <b>In the Footsteps of Frédéric Chopin</b> (ONLY for Accompanying Persons)	<b>EUR 100.-</b>
<b>SATURDAY, 23 APRIL 2016, 13:30 – 18:00</b> <b>Wilanów Palace Visit</b>	<b>EUR 55.-</b>
<b>SUNDAY, 24 ARIL 2016, 07:00 – 22:00</b> <b>Kraków: historic and cultural capital of Poland &amp; Auschwitz</b>	<b>EUR 195.-</b>

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