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HOW TO START OR IMPROVE YOUR BUSINESS RELATIONS – US COMPANIES GOING THROUGH GERMANY TO EUROPE

Date and Time

Date: Thursday, June 17, 2010
Time: 12:00pm – 02:00pm
Location: Rosewood Sand Hill Hotel, Sycamore Room
2825 Sand Hill Road, Menlo Park, CA 94025

Agenda & Topics

Luncheon

Welcome Address

Introduction

Linhard Stepf, President, FrankfurtRhineMain Corp., Chicago, IL

Presentations By

Stephan Crawford, Director U.S. Commercial Service, U.S. Department of Commerce, San Francisco, CA
“How the U.S. Department of Commerce can support US export to Germany”

Linhard Stepf, President, FrankfurtRhineMain Corp., Chicago, IL
“Europe’s top business location makes your company expansion a hassle-free experience”

Jörg Kemkes, Managing Partner, Rueter-BridgehouseTax, Munich, Germany
“The German tax reform – Not a country with high taxes anymore”

Oliver Bolthausen, Managing Partner, BridgehouseLaw, Munich, Germany
“How to start a business in Germany - a corporate law overview”

Klaus Brisch, Managing Partner, BridgehouseLaw, Cologne, Germany
“Compliance in Germany – The role model in the areas of eCommerce and privacy”

Dr. Oliver K. Breme, CFO & GC, cleverbridge AG, Cologne, Germany & Chicago, Illinois
“Best practice: Experience of a US-German IT corporation succeeding in transatlantic business”

About the Event

FrankfurtRhineMain Corp., BridgehouseLaw and BridgehouseTax will demonstrate its capabilities for US business and new business opportunities in transatlantic relationships. American business has always been successful in Germany. Germany has become the most interesting European business location, supported by changes in tax and corporate law. The greater Frankfurt region is one of the most important business locations within Germany for doing business in Europe.

Registration

Registration due by Friday, June 11, 2010

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Bios

Oliver Bolthausen is managing partner of the BridgehouseLaw Munich office and coordinator of the Dispute Resolution Practice Group within BridgehouseLaw Alliance. He consults clients with dispute resolution at German courts and international arbitration. Mr. Bolthausen is a well respected arbitrator for various international organizations. Because of his international education (Germany, USA, UK) he handles cross-border issues and disputes as well as contract negotiations in English. In addition, Mr. Bolthausen serves clients in the area of international business transaction and advises on real estate law, as well as German economic private law.

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Dr. Oliver Breme started his career as a founding member of an IT security company that specializes in technologies for the validation of financial transactions and invoicing documents before working for a leading e-commerce provider on the expansion of the business into different verticals. Prior to joining cleverbridge, Dr. Breme worked for several years for a premiere Silicon Valley law firm, where he focused on mergers and acquisitions, international taxation, technology transactions and intellectual property.

www.cleverbridge.com

Klaus M. Brisch is managing partner of the Cologne office of BridgehouseLaw. He is a specialist in information technology and coordinates the information technology, telecommunications and media practice group within Bridgehouse-Law Alliance. The main focus of his consulting practice lies in the areas of IT compliance, IT security, privacy and data security. Mr. Brisch advises companies generally in the area of Internet law and E-commerce, complex IT-implementations, and outsourcing of national and international projects, as well as technology-based transactions.

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Stephan Crawford manages the U.S. Department of Commerce's international trade facilitation programs in San Francisco. His focus for the past several years has been on connecting Bay Area clean technology firms with evolving markets overseas. Prior to this position, Mr. Crawford served on temporary assignment as the economic and political officer at the U.S. Consulate in Düsseldorf, Germany. In addition, he served previously as staff to the Secretary of Commerce's liaison in California working on economic development issues. Mr. Crawford began his career in Silicon Valley, advising technology firms on national security- and foreign policy-based export controls. Over his sixteen-year career, he has counseled hundreds of US companies on diverse aspects of doing business abroad.

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Jörg Kemkes provides over 20 years of tax consultancy in the areas of international tax, transfer pricing, real estate taxation, and tax compliance. He has been a Partner with Rüter & Partner for over 12 years as a Steuerberater and is an expert in German corporate tax matters. Mr. Kemkes' success includes representing companies in matters ranging from full tax advisory services, payroll support, and representation before German tax authorities. Mr. Kemkes is also a founding member and the Managing Director of BridgehouseTax.

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Linhard Stepf is the President of FrankfurtRhineMain Corp. (Chicago, USA). The company promotes the greater Frankfurt region in Germany as the premier business location in Europe to companies interested in expanding their operations into the German and European market. Our Chicago office and Frankfurt HQs help U.S. companies implement their expansion plans by cutting all the red tape and assist them from planning stage to the office opening and beyond.

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