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Join the ABA CJS's Global White Collar Crime Institute and London White Collar Crime Institute for a special convening in *Geneva, Switzerland on November 17-18, 2025*. The conference opens with a "Meet the Enforcers" panel where attendees hear directly from global enforcers about the latest trends and priorities. During this one-and-a-half-day conference in Geneva, cutting edge issues in the field of international white collar crime will be examined and discussed and participants will learn about international white collar criminal laws and issues that matter most to their practices in 2025 and beyond.

DAY 1 – Monday, November 17, 2025

8:00 – 9:00am	Registration/Check-in Continental Breakfast and Networking
9:00 – 9:15am	Welcoming Remarks Lucian E. Dervan, Professor of Law, Belmont University College of Law and Founding Chair, ABA Global White Collar Crime Institute, Nashville, TN, United States Melba Pearson, Chair, ABA Criminal Justice Section, Fort Lauderdale, FL, United States Sandrine Giroud, President, Geneva Bar Association; Partner, LALIVE, Geneva, Switzerland Olivier Jornot, Attorney General of the Republic and Canton of Geneva, Geneva, Switzerland
9:15 - 10:30am	Plenary Session I – Meet the Enforcers This panel will provide first-hand perspectives from leaders of the UK's Serious Fraud Office, France's Parquet National Financier, and the Office of the Attorney General of the Swiss Confederation on enforcement priorities, collaboration across borders, and what companies need to understand about their respective jurisdiction and views on compliance. MODERATOR: Lisa H. Miller, Sidley, Former Deputy Assistant Attorney General for the DOJ's Criminal Division, Washington, DC, United States SPEAKERS: Dr. Stefan Blättler, Attorney General of the Swiss Confederation, Bern, Switzerland Jean-Francois Bohnert, Public Prosecutor, National Financial Prosecutor's Office, Paris, France Nick Ephgrave, Director, Serious Fraud Office, London, United Kingdom
10:30 – 11:00am	Networking Coffee & Tea Break

11:00am – 12:15pm	Plenary Session II – General Counsel’s Roundtable – A Discussion of Pressing Issues, Including the Growth of DPAs Does the current legislation in Switzerland satisfy the needs of enforcement authorities and corporations in terms of non-trial resolutions in criminal matters? General Counsel of important corporations headquartered in Switzerland and the Attorney General of Switzerland will compare their views and share their respective experiences on this important topic. MODERATOR: Saverio Lembo, Partner, Bär & Karrer, Geneva, Switzerland SPEAKERS: Dr. Maria-Antonella Bino, Group General Counsel, Bank Vontobel AG, Zürich, Switzerland Dr. Stefan Blättler, Attorney General of the Swiss Confederation, Berne, Switzerland Sonja Maeder Morvant, Group Head of Legal, Bank Edmond de Rothschild, Switzerland Robert Sikellis, Global Head, Litigation & Investigations, Novartis Services, Inc., East Hanover, NJ, United States
12:15pm – 1:30pm	Luncheon Credibility Across Borders: Personal Branding for International White Collar Counsel In today’s high-stakes, high-visibility legal environment, your personal brand isn’t just a buzzword—it’s your business card, your calling card, and your professional currency. For white collar lawyers operating across borders, that brand must travel well. How you are perceived—by clients, enforcement agencies, regulators, the media, and your peers—can directly impact your effectiveness as counsel and your long-term success. This practical and thought-provoking session will explore how international white collar practitioners can build and protect a personal brand that reflects credibility, discretion, and global fluency. We’ll discuss how to align your reputation, visibility, and expertise with the unique demands of cross-border investigations, multi-jurisdictional matters, and high-profile client engagements. Participants will leave with actionable strategies to elevate their brand both online and offline, build trust across cultural and professional contexts, and position themselves as trusted advisors in an increasingly complex and interconnected legal landscape. Whether you’re a seasoned partner or a rising advocate, this session will help you take ownership of your narrative—before someone else defines it for you. Paula T. Edgar, CEO, PGE Consulting Group LLC and Special Advisor on Branding to the ABA Criminal Justice Section Council, Brooklyn, NY
1:30 –2:45pm	Plenary Session III - Global Anti-Corruption Enforcement Our panel of experts will examine recent developments, trends, and emerging issues across multiple jurisdictions. Topics will include FCPA and SFO enforcement in the United States and the United Kingdom, the latest guidance issued by the DOJ and the SFO, and the resulting implications for self-reporting and cross-border cooperation. The discussion will also address the role of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office (EPPO), France’s Parquet National Financier (PNF), and other European instruments designed to combat bribery and corruption. In addition to enforcement priorities, the panel

	will consider the compliance implications for multinational organizations. MODERATOR: Lisa van der Wal, Partner, De Roos & Pen, Amsterdam, The Netherlands SPEAKERS: Jimmy Pappas, Managing Director, Delta Consulting Group, Boston, MA, United States Stéphane de Navacelle, Navacelle, Paris, France Joe D. Whitley, Womble Bond Dickson, Atlanta, GA, United States Joanna Dimmock, Partner, Dentons, London, United Kingdom Nicole Willms, Partner, Pohlmann and Company, Frankfurt, Germany
2:45 - 4:00pm	Plenary Session IV - Financial Institutions – Banking, Money Laundering, and Sanctions Financial institutions must navigate not only shifting enforcement priorities in the U.S., and elsewhere, they must do so while dealing with competing international regulatory priorities and rules. New packages of sanctions are being released in the European regulators are stepping into fill some of the space left by the new Administration in the U.S., and American authorities are changing how they view foreign threats and what their priorities are. Meanwhile, all financial threats are increasingly cross-border and combatting them involves working across jurisdictions. Bringing perspectives from government, financial institutions, financial investigations, and private practice, our panelists will discuss how financial institutions address these challenges, including coordinating with law enforcement in multiple countries, seeking asset seizures in different jurisdiction, and considering how sanctions regimes interact and, at times, conflict. They will discuss what approaches to these problems are working, what challenges remain, and what trends they see in this active enforcement space. MODERATOR: Katherine C. Reilly, Partner, Pryor Cashman LLP, New York, NY, United States SPEAKERS: Fabio Cagnola, Cagnola & Associati Studio Legale, Milan, Italy Eugenio Fusco, Deputy General Attorney, Milan, Italy Dr. Oliver Kipper, Partner, Kipper Durth Schott Rechtsanwaelte, Frankfurt am Main, Germany Carmelo Reale, Group General Counsel of Banca Generali, Milan, Italy Zoë Newman, Regional Managing Director, Global Co-Head of the Financial Investigations, Kroll, London, United Kingdom
4:00 - 4:15pm	Coffee & Tea Networking Break
4:15 – 5:30pm	Plenary Session V - Artificial Intelligence and its Impact on Legal Practice and Compliance This panel will explore the different types of AI technologies and protocols, the benefits and risk associated with usage, and pragmatic application as case management strategy. The discussion will

	also focus on ethical issues relating to artificial intelligence, including how artificial intelligence affects legal practitioners, and how it can ethically be used to prepare complex cases. Lastly, the panel will explore the biases and problems associated with the use of AI in the currently, recent enforcement trends, and defenses that can be raised in matters involving the use of AI. Learning Objectives: • Participants will be able to understand the types of AI technologies and protocols that can be used • Validate the benefits and risks associated with its usage; and • Pragmatically apply them against their case strategy. MODERATOR: George I. Rudoy – Principal, Crowe LLP, New York, NY, United States SPEAKERS: Scott L. Marrah, Partner, Reed Smith, Atlanta, GA, United States Johnny Shearman, Practice Group Counsel, Greenberg Traurig, LLP, London, United Kingdom Gail Shifman, Shifman Group, San Francisco, CA, United States Keisha N. Stanford, Chair, Anti-Corruption and FCPA Practice, Jenner & Block LLP, Washington, DC, United States
5:30 - 7pm	Official Institute Networking Reception Honorable Sidney Butcher, Immediate Past Chair, ABA Criminal Justice Section, Maryland District Court, Annapolis, MD, United States
DAY 2 – Tuesday, November 18, 2025	
8:30 – 9:00am	Registration & Check-in Continental Breakfast and Networking
9:00 – 9:15am	Morning Welcome Nina Marino, Partner, Kaplan Marino and Chair, ABA London & Paris White Collar Crime Institute, Los Angeles, CA, United States Édouard Cuendet, Director, Foundation Geneva Place Financière, Geneva, Switzerland Vincent Subilia, Director General, Geneva Chamber of Commerce, Geneva, Switzerland
9:15 – 10:30am	Plenary Session VI - The State of International Cross-Border Investigations This panel will bring together authors from the newly released ABA book entitled <i>International Guide to Corporate Internal Investigations (Second Edition)</i>. The panelists will examine hot topics from around the globe related to cross-border investigations, including investigative strategy, whistleblowers, engaging with employees, blocking statutes, data collection, privilege, and the growth of cross-border compliance investigations. This panel is a must attend for those working in the international investigations space. MODERATOR:

	Mark Beardsworth, Partner, Signature Litigation, London, United Kingdom SPEAKERS: Yousr Khalil, Partner and Head of French Office, Forensic Risk Alliance, Paris, France Shruti Chandhok, Kirkland, & Ellis, London, United Kingdom Andrea Puccio, Founding & Managing Partner, Puccio Penalisti Associati, Milan, Italy Ibtissam Lassoued, Partner, Al Tamimi & Company, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
10:30 – 11:00am	Coffee & Tea Networking Break
11:00am – 12:15pm	Plenary Session VII - International Comity – Extraterritoriality, Extradition, and Cooperation Extradition, mutual legal assistance and cross-border co-operation are essential tools for the investigation and prosecution of white-collar crime. International law-enforcement co-operation is underpinned by mutual trust, comity, and reciprocity and often sits at the intersection of law, procedure, politics, and international relations. This panel, featuring former US and UK officials and experienced practitioners, will explore recent developments and their implications in practice. MODERATOR: Nick Vamos, Partner and Head of Business Crime, Peters & Peters Solicitors LLP, London, United Kingdom SPEAKERS: Graeme Hamilton, Borden Ladner Gervais, LLP, Toronto, Canada Antonin Levy, Partner, Litigations Department, Paul Hastings LLP, Paris, France Rebecca Niblock, Kingsley Napley, London, United Kingdom Silvia Palomba, Ardenter Law, Geneva, Switzerland Bruce Swartz, Center for Strategic & International Studies, Washington, DC, United States
12:15 – 12:30pm	Closing Remarks by the Institute Chairs
12:45 pm	WWCDA is pleased to be partnering with the ABA International White Collar Crime Institute. After the Closing Remarks of the conference, please join WWCDA members, guests and other conference participants for a WWCDA lunch and panel discussion at the law offices of Walder Wyss Ltd. in Geneva, 14 Rue du Rhône (Walder Wyss Attorneys at Law Geneva). Please register by clicking the following link: https://www.wwcda.org/event/fall-lunch

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