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- ▶ **The Next Phase of Russia and Belarus Sanctions Compliance:** Best Practices for Resolving New and Emerging Challenges at the Forefront
- ▶ **Russia's Countermeasures:** How Financial Institutions and Companies are Preparing for the Next Wave
- ▶ **Managing the Impact of Russia Sanctions on the European Energy Sector:** Key Cross-Industry Takeaways for the Path Forward
- ▶ **China:** Surprising New Lessons for Complying with Sanctions and Export-Controls on Dual-Use Technology—and the Impact of Modern Warfare on AI and Tech Innovation Globally
- ▶ **Practical Takeaways on Crypto, Screening, IP Blocking, and Geofencing**

## Pre-Conference Workshops on 31 May 2023:

- A** The Present and Future of Russia Sanctions: US, EU and UK Perspectives
- B** Strengthening Sanctions Compliance and Screening Programmes

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09:00–12:30 (Registration to begin at 08:30)

**WORKSHOP A The Present and Future of Russia Sanctions: Perspectives from the US, EU and UK on Sanctions Implementation and Compliance Risks** **Kate Ng**, *Vice President, Compliance and Control*, **BNY Mellon (Denmark)****Nicholas Richards-Bentley**, *Head Legal Trade Sanctions*, **Novartis (Switzerland)****Michael Casey**, *Partner*, **Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati (UK)****Gabriele Coppo**, *Partner*, **Van Bael & Bellis (Belgium)**

In this essential workshop, leading subject-matter experts will provide a comprehensive, in-depth overview of EU, UK and U.S. sanctions on Russia. The discussion will focus on the litany of requirements, complexities, and ever-changing scope of Russia sanctions. The workshop will highlight the evolution of sanctions compliance since the start of the war in Ukraine, as well as provide perspectives on what is to come. Participants will gain a compliance baseline and essential takeaways that will lay the groundwork for the main conference discussions:

- An in-depth review and analysis of EU Regulations and Member State implementation and enforcement
- Overview of UK sanctions and export controls – OFSI and DIT implementation
- Update on US sanctions regime, recent and anticipated changes
- Managing the interplay of EU, UK, and US sanctions-and addressing nuances and conflicting requirements
- Status on Russian countermeasures, including retaliation against “unfriendly countries”
- Understand downstream impacts, and unintended consequences of Russian sanctions on supply chains
- Best practices for evaluating your compliance weak spots and uncovering new red flags for activities, transactions and schemes based on constantly evolving risk profiles
- Assessing general de-risking and compliance across all sectors

13:30–17:00 (Registration to begin at 12:30)

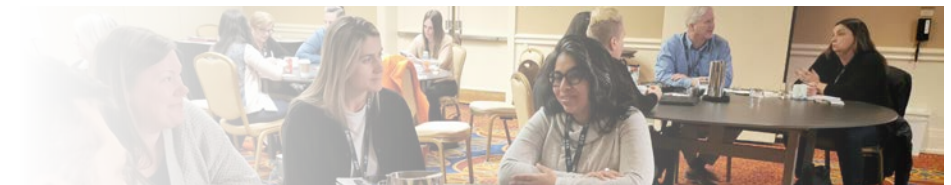
**WORKSHOP B A Complete Guide to Strengthening Sanctions Compliance and Screening Programmes: The Finer Points of Incorporating Evolving EU, UK, and US Restrictions**

Speakers Include:

 **Matthew Lapin**, *Partner*, **Porter Wright Morris & Arthur LLP (USA)**

Over the past year, the coordination between the EU, UK, and US has been historic. While the alignment has been strong, and many broad sanctions policies overlap, there are varied nuances that complicate compliance. This workshop will provide best practices for incorporating the finer points of EU, UK, and US sanctions restrictions, to ensure broad compliance and effective screening across the board.

- Updating your sanctions training: Concrete examples of how to resonate
- Conducting a risk assessment amid a changing geopolitical and compliance landscape
- Overcoming key screening challenges
- Evaluating and revisiting your screening providers
- Measuring the effectiveness of your sanctions compliance program
- Understand differences in the scale and pace of sanctions targets by the EU, UK, and US
- Incorporating key differences in ownership versus control when it comes to the divergence in policy in sanctioning non-listed entities
- Evaluating differences in the scope and location restrictions on investment bans by the EU, UK and US



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08:45

## Co-Chairs' Opening Remarks

09:15

## Keynote Address

09:45

### The Next Phase of Russia and Belarus Sanctions Compliance: Best Practices for Resolving New and Emerging Challenges at the Forefront

 **Amanda Archibald**, *Legal Manager/Trade Controls*, **Equinor ASA (Norway)**

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**Greta Lichtenbaum**, *Partner*, **O'Melveny & Myers LLP (USA)**

**Dr. Felix Helmstädter**, *Partner*, **Morrison Foerster (Germany)**

- Navigating vexing compliance dilemmas in the context of multi-jurisdictional transactions
- Extracting assets out of Russia and Belarus, and mitigating corporate risk/losses while remaining in compliance with EU, UK, and US sanctions
- Evaluating the impact of oil price caps across various sectors
- Comparing and contrasting the "50% rule" with the EU and UK "control or ownership" rule
- Navigating differences in capital investment prohibitions between EU, UK and US

10:45 [Extended Networking Break](#)

11:15

## Special Interview

 **Senior Representative**, **Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation (OFSI)**

**MODERATED BY:** **Michael Casey**, *Partner*, **Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati (UK)**

11:45

## China - Surprising New Lessons for Complying with Sanctions and Export-Controls on Dual-Use Technology—and the Impact of Modern Warfare on AI and Tech Innovation

 **Amalie Korning Wedege**, *First Vice President, Head of Sanctions and FCC Special Focus Areas*, **Danske Bank (Denmark)**

**Kay Georgi**, *Partner & International Trade & Investment Practice Leader*, **ArentFox & Schiff LLP (USA)**

- EU/UK/US response to China's potential military assistance to Russia
- Discussing EU renewal of sanctions on China for human rights violations in Xinjiang Province
- Analyzing the BIS semiconductor rule and corresponding EU/UK response
- Doing business in a new era of export controls on "primarily commercial" technologies by US, and how ECRA will impact European export controls moving forward
- How U.S. export-controls on China related to semi-conductors will impact the European technology sector
- Navigating dual-use AI concerns between US, EU, and China
- How Russia-Ukraine conflict has amplified the export-controls on tech for dual-use technologies

12:45

## Crypto-Contrasting EU, UK and US Sanctions Regimes Governing Cross-Border Cryptocurrency Transactions

 **Jason M. Silverman**, *Partner*, **Dentons (USA)**

- Common misconceptions around EU restrictions on crypto payments from Russia
- The practical aftermath of recent OFAC enforcement actions against crypto exchanges, including the recent settlement with Kraken
- Forecasting how increased U.S. enforcement will spill over into the EU and UK
- Complying with UK reporting requirements for suspected sanctions evasion by crypto companies
- Comparing OFAC and EU restrictions with OFSI reporting requirements

13:30 [Networking Lunch Break](#)



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14:45

## Overcoming Hurdles to Securing OFSI and OFAC Licenses

 **David Peyman**, *Of Counsel*, **DLA Piper (USA)**

- Brief overview of general licenses currently provided for by OFSI, and avoiding the need for specific license applications
- The nuances of the reporting requirements for “pre-designation” and “post-designation” legal work under the OFSI general license
- Timeframe for OFSI license approvals, and requirements for qualifying for urgent review
- Understand the “legal basis” requirement for approval, and the common reasons for denial
- Navigating OFAC vs. OFSI approval timelines, and ways to streamline and operate efficiently

15:30

## Applying Sanctions to Humanitarian Situations: Cross-Industry Takeaways

 **Lloyd Meadows**, *Director Africa Middle East Regional Sanctions Team*, **Standard Chartered Bank (UK/UAE)**

**Mahmut Sen**, *Head of Rules & Regulations, Trade Compliance*, **Siemens Healthineers (Germany)**

- When sanctions regimes apply in humanitarian situations—and when they don’t
- What is (and isn’t eligible) for a license
- Determine what is covered under a general humanitarian license, and what requires further approval
- Understand how capital expenditures for non-investment/corporation intentions are impacted by sanctions
- Recent UN humanitarian aid exemption to current and future sanctions
- Navigating de-risking policies and how they apply to banks and intermediaries

16:15 [Networking Break](#)

16:30

## Keynote Address

17:00

## Upgrading IP Blocking, Geofencing and Screening: Best Practices for Avoiding Sanctions Violations

- The lengths and limits of geofencing and ransomware
- Assessing how third-party screening can help protect from sanctioned transactions – and its limitations
- Best practices in deploying sufficient due diligence and screening tools at the customer acquisition stage
- How robust geofencing can help to mitigate penalties
- Examples of new policies and procedures that have helped to mitigate corporate risk under current sanctions regimes

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## End of Day One



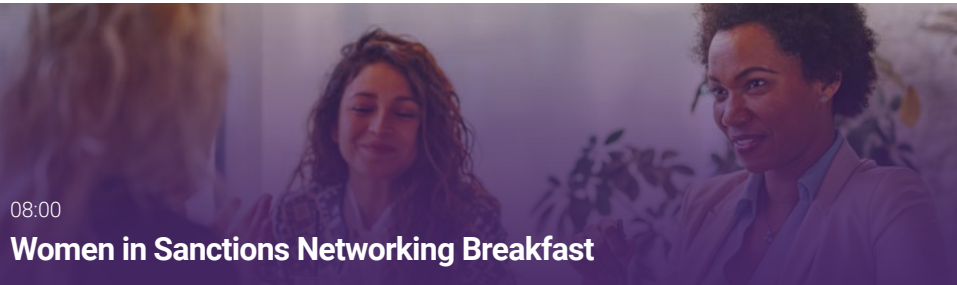
## Who You Will Meet:

▶ Cross-Industry Professionals, including those in:

- Finance Sector
- Tech Sector
- Energy Sector
- Aerospace/Defense Sector
- Insurance Sector
- Life Sciences Sector
- Automotive Sector
- Academia
- Many others

▶ Law Firm Attorneys whose practices focus on:

- Sanctions
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08:00  
**Women in Sanctions Networking Breakfast**


09:00  
**Co-Chairs' Opening Remarks**

09:15  
**OFAC Update**

 **Claire O'Neill McCleskey**, Assistant Director, Sanctions Compliance and Evaluation, Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC)

**MODERATED BY:** Peter G. Feldman, Partner, Dentons (USA)

09:45  
**Russia's Countermeasures: How Financial Institutions and Exporters are Preparing for the Next Wave**

 **Adela Deaconu**, Director Group Export Controls, Legal Compliance, Royal Phillips (The Netherlands), WSN Member

**Hannah Zakar**, Department Head, Global Standards & Steering Sanctions, Commerzbank AG (Germany)

- Demystifying recent Russian legislation to sanction "unfriendly" countries
- How Russian surrogate countries adopt Russian legislation in sanction proxy wars
- Analyzing Russian countermeasures on withdrawing companies and expropriation decrees
- Corporate options with assets in Russia and a prohibition of Russian nationals to operate or transfer assets of non-Russian entities
- Can multinational corporations/non-Russian entities avoid losing debt payments by accepting lump payments in Rubles pursuant to Russian decree?

10:30 Extended Networking Break

11:00

**Insights on EU Member State Implementation: Updates on Interpretation and Integration of Recent EU Rulings**

This session will further navigate the complex legal and regulatory landscapes, as well as delve into the latest developments and their impact on sanctions compliance moving forward.

11:45

**Managing the Impact of Russia Sanctions on the European Energy Sector: Key Cross-Industry Takeaways for the Path Forward**

 **Maria Chiara Montegano**, Head of Economic Sanctions, Trade Control and Compliance, ENI S.p.A. (Italy)

- Examining the impact of the ban on Russian oil on the European economy and compliance landscape
- The freeze in production of the Nord Stream 2 pipeline, and analyze lack of natural gas on German economy
- How sanctions have impacted Green pledges across EU member states
- Discussing impacts of price-cap on Russian-origin petroleum
- Navigating maritime service provider exceptions to the broad ban on services aiding the Russian economy

12:45 Networking Lunch



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## New Enforcement Risks to Flag Now: Emerging OFAC, OFSI and Member State Investigation and Penalty Trends

 Sunny Mann, Partner, Baker & McKenzie LLP (UK)

John Smith, Partner and co-head of Morrison Foerster's National Security Practice and Former Director, OFAC, Morrison Foerster (USA)

- Understanding OFAC and OFSI concentration on big bank "wire-stripping"
- OFAC and OFSI trends toward holding US and UK parent companies responsible when their non-domestic subsidiaries transact with sanctioned Russian or Iranian entities
- Evaluating the risk of improper screening of automated process and software deficiencies in online transactions
- Meeting heightened due diligence requirements for cross-border transactions
- Discuss recent enforcement actions by EU member states, OFSI and OFAC
- Discuss OFAC's 7.7% increase in civil monetary penalties for 2023
- Increasing US enforcement actions around crypto exchanges, and the impact on the EU and UK

14:45

## Status Report on Iran - and a Look Forward to What's Next

 Lourdes Catrain, Partner, Hogan Lovells LLP (Belgium/Spain)

Stephan Mueller, Partner, Oppenhoff & Partner Rechtsanwälte (Germany)

- Analyzing EU sanctions against Iranian drones and other military assistance to Russia
- The current and anticipated status of the JCPOA
- The interplay of the human rights sanctions regime and overarching civil unrest within Iran
- Understanding the scope of asset seizures of IRGC members across the EU and UK
- The complex interplay of China, including their relations with Russia and new energy partnership with Taliban in Afghanistan

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## Co-Chairs' Closing Remarks End of Conference

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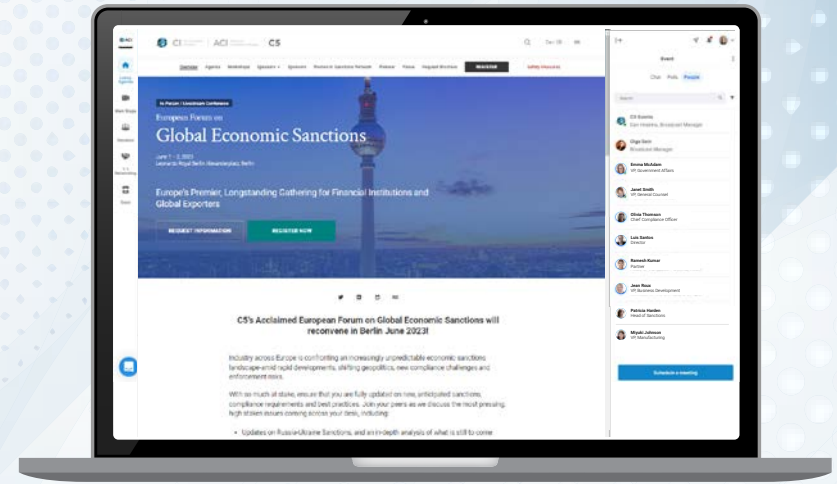
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