

# EVENT DAY PLANNER

**08.30 – 09.00** Registration

**Diamond Ballroom 1&2**

**09.00 – 10.40**

Welcome Remarks by Patrick Dransfield, Publishing Director Asian-mena Counsel and Co-Director, In-House Community

An **India Update** by Mohit Saraf, Senior Partner, Luthra & Luthra Law Offices

**‘Women in Law: Women in In-House’**: a discussion regarding mentorship and meaningful careers

**‘The Path to Excellence’**

- How to benchmark the in-house team’s evolution?
- What is the role of external providers to assist the in-house team along the path

The discussion is moderated by Sadiq Jafar, Managing Partner, Dubai, Hadeef & Partners with Deepa Tharmaraj, Senior Legal Director, Dell EMC; Sahia Ahmad, General Counsel, Dubai Tourism; Lena El Malak, Lead Commercial Attorney, Microsoft Gulf FZ LLC; Ghada Qaisi Audi, General Counsel, Seddiqi Holding LLC; Rima Mrad, Partner, BSA Ahmad Bin Hezeem & Associates LLP; Bree Miechel, Partner, Reed Smith LLP; Mark Anderson, Director – Middle East, Turkey and Africa, Taylor Root

**10.40 – 11.10** Networking Coffee Break

**11.10 – 12.30** Practice Area Workshop – Session A

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| • Life Cycle of a Tech Venture<br>– <i>BSA Ahmad Bin Hezeem &amp; Associates LLP</i>   | <b>Diamond Ballroom 3</b> |
| • “Creating the Contract You Want” – Going Beyond the Basics to Design the Contract Your Business Needs – <i>Hadeef &amp; Partners</i> | <b>Diamond Ballroom 1</b> |
| • The Introduction and Implementation of VAT in the Gulf: What Corporates Need to Know – <i>Hogan Lovells</i>                          | <b>Diamond Ballroom 2</b> |

**12.30 – 13.40** Lunch

**13.40 – 15.00** Practice Area Workshop – Session B

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| • Offshore Corporate Structuring in the Digital Era<br>– <i>Conyers Dill &amp; Pearman</i> | <b>Diamond Ballroom 1</b> |
| • The New FIDIC Forms – What Does This Mean for Your Company?<br>– <i>Reed Smith LLP</i>   | <b>Diamond Ballroom 2</b> |

**15.00 – 15.20** Networking Coffee Break

**15.20 – 16.40** Practice Area Workshop – Session C

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| • “Dispute Resolution Essentials” – 10 Things Every In-House Counsel Needs to Know – <i>Hadeef &amp; Partners</i>   | <b>Diamond Ballroom 1</b> |
| • Stepping around the Arbitration Minefield; Family Businesses: the Next Generation (How to Preserve Value and Leave a Legacy, Not a Headache)<br>– <i>Trowers &amp; Hamblins LLP</i> | <b>Diamond Ballroom 2</b> |

**16.40** In-House Community Awards Announcement, Community Drinks and Prize Draw sponsored by *Hadeef & Partners*

*\*Please note the structure of the day may vary*