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**ACC EUROPE ANNOUNCES NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

***European In-house Legal Association Plans Growth and Innovation***

**7 October, 2011, Paris, France** — [The Association of Corporate Counsel Europe](#) (ACCE), the primary European organization run by the in-house counsel profession for the benefit of its in-house counsel members, elected Iohann Le Frapper, General Counsel Networks Group, [Alcatel-Lucent](#), as its new President at a Board Meeting in Paris on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2011. In addition to the election of Le Frapper, four new members were elected to the Board.

ACC Europe, through its many tools, networks and resources, helps in-house counsel to do their jobs better, and Le Frapper will oversee the ACCE Board of Directors in its efforts to address those matters affecting its members throughout Europe. The newly elected officers include: Maria Jesus Alonso, General Counsel, [Cabolivo, S.L.](#) (ACCE Vice President and Country Representative for Spain); Dr. Martin Henrich, Head of Global Litigation, [Novartis International AG](#) (ACCE's Corporate Secretary); John Lowe, General Counsel and Communications Director, [Qioptiq](#) (ACCE Treasurer); and Dirk Tirez, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, [bPost](#) (ACCE Immediate Past President and Country Representative for Belgium).

"The ACC Europe Board is comprised of seasoned in-house counsel who, in addition to their day jobs, devote their time and energy pro bono to provide direction and leadership for our members," explains newly elected ACC Europe President, Iohann Le Frapper. "Thanks to the great mix of European cultures and backgrounds, we bring together a wealth of experience, knowledge and diverse viewpoints, which lends itself to an exciting year of new programs and outreach efforts. ACC Europe will continue to play a leading role in addressing issues that are of great importance to the in-house counsel community, and providing our members with added resources, new educational programs and practical tools for saving time, money and effort."

The ACCE Europe Board of Directors includes (in alphabetical order): Marten Bezemer, Associate General Counsel, [Plantronics, BV](#) (ACCE Chair of Host Committee for the 2012 Amsterdam Conference, Lead for external communications and Country Representative for the Netherlands); Orijit Das, European General Counsel, [Genpact](#) (ACCE's Lead for sponsorships and Country Representative for UK); Paul Gagnier, [ACN Europe BV](#) General Counsel (member of the Advisory Board for the 2012 Amsterdam Conference); Carolyn Herzog, EMEA General Counsel, [Symantec UK Ltd.](#), (ACCE Chair of the Advisory Board for the 2012 Amsterdam Conference); Stathis Mihos, Legal Manager [Hellenic Fuels S.A.](#) (ACCE Chair Internal Communications and Country

Representative for Greece); and Dr. Jutta Strehlow, Vice President and Senior Counsel, International Hotel Licensing Co. Sarl, an affiliate of [Marriott International](#).

## **ABOUT ACC EUROPE**

The [Association of Corporate Counsel Europe](#) (ACC Europe) serves the needs of lawyers practising in corporations and other organisations throughout Europe. ACC Europe, with more than 1600 members, promotes the common interests of its members, contributes to their continuing [legal education](#) and seeks to improve the understanding of the role of in-house counsel. Since its founding in 1982, ACC has grown to over 29,000 members in more than 75 countries, representing more than 10,000 corporations and organisations. Headquartered in Washington, DC, its members represent all of the Fortune 50 and Fortune 500 companies. Internationally, its members represent 42 of the Global 50 and 74 of the Global 100 companies. Membership in ACC Europe includes membership in ACC. Additional information about ACC Europe can be found at [www.acce.com](http://www.acce.com). By in-house counsel, for in-house counsel®.