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**Education Session No. 614:
2016 European M&A Outlook**

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A record-breaking year for M&A volumes has the financial community asking, what does 2016 have in store? Will Europe once again play a significant hand in these volumes, as it did in 2015 when cross-Atlantic mega deals stole the limelight?

Another major trend in 2015 was the rise of US-style shareholder activism in Europe. The beginning of 2016 seems to show no respite for ripe targets on this side of the pond. Will this trend continue, and will it manifest itself differently in Europe?

Join us as we discuss these questions and more at the 2016 European M&A Outlook panel. Bring your questions for Q&A, followed by networking with your peers.

Participants

Anne MacGregor, Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft
Ferdinand Mason, Jones Day
Simon Munyard, Leucadia Investment Management Limited
David Sola, Houlihan Lokey
Lucinda Guthrie, *Moderator*, Dealreporter

Event Details

Date: February 11, 2016

Time: 6 PM Registration.

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Networking and canapés will follow.

Host: Dealreporter

Location: Innholders Hall

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Biographies

Anne MacGregor, Special Counsel - Brussels, Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft

Anne MacGregor focuses on EU competition law and for nearly 20 years has advised clients across a wide spectrum of European antitrust and other regulatory and trade matters. With a particular expertise in handling merger control filings for significant international transactions, she has acted for a broad range of leading multinationals across a variety of industry sectors, including commodities packaging, transport and logistics, chemical distribution, mining, energy, pharmaceuticals and software. Anne also regularly advises hedge funds and similar entities engaged in event-driven merger arbitrage on the merger control/antitrust clearance prospects and procedural hurdles of international transactions. Since 2006 Anne has tutored students in European competition law at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB) in the Master of Laws in International and European Law degree programme. Anne studied at the Australian National University, Canberra and the University of Hamburg. She is admitted to practice in England and Wales, New York, and Australia, and is a registered foreign lawyer with the Brussels Bar. She speaks fluent German as well as some French and Dutch.

Ferdinand Mason, Partner, Jones Day

Ferdinand Mason advises public and private companies and private equity houses on mergers and acquisitions, takeovers and takeover preparedness, sales of distressed companies and asset portfolios, joint ventures, corporate governance, and general corporate counseling. Ferdinand's substantial transaction experience and technical skill allow him to effectively manage complicated multi jurisdictional transactions with an eye towards cultural and jurisdictional differences. Ferdinand has represented clients in the banking, energy, pharmaceutical, automotive, retail, technology, and manufacturing industries. Ferdinand has been quoted in The Wall Street Journal, Bloomberg, Sunday Telegraph, Daily Telegraph, and The Financial Times on global M&A related developments. The Financial Times ranked Ferdinand in the top 10 of Innovative Lawyers in the U.K. and Europe in 2014 for his cross-border M&A approach.

Simon Munyard, Managing Director, Leucadia Investment Management Limited

Simon Munyard is the Portfolio Manager for the Fund and is a Managing Director of Leucadia Investment Management Limited. Simon has managed the Event Driven Program* since inception in April 2007 (from April 2007 to June 2013 as a Managing Director of Jefferies International Limited). Prior to joining Jefferies, Simon was Founder and CEO of Hillrise Capital Limited, which managed funds within an equity based event driven strategy for Sunrise Partners LP from March 2003 until April 2007. From April 2000 until March 2003, he was an SVP with Lehman Brothers International (Europe) Limited, where he built a proprietary event driven trading group that specialised in arbitrage between physical and borrowed securities and options. Prior to 2000, Simon ran a proprietary fixed income trading business at J Henry Schroder & Co Limited that focused on forward yield curve and bond curve anomalies. Simon has a BSc (Hons) in Business Administration from the University of Bath.

David Sola, Managing Director, Houlihan Lokey

Mr. Sola is a Managing Director in Mergers & Acquisitions at Houlihan Lokey, an independent international investment banking firm. He specialises in complex situations with difficult financial, legal, and transaction dynamics. Mr. Sola has been the lead M&A banker on more than \$60 billion of completed deals across a broad range of industries and geographies, including both friendly and hostile transactions. Mr. Sola has also completed equity and debt financings in the public and private markets, advised on financial restructurings and joint ventures, and managed a private equity portfolio. He is based in the firm's London office and has worked in London for more than 20 years. Before joining the firm, Mr. Sola was the Managing Director responsible for Softbank Corp's technology investments in Europe, and before that was Co-Head of Mergers & Acquisitions in Europe for UBS Investment Bank and was a partner at TMT specialist Arma Partners. He started his career in New York, as a Vice President in M&A at CSFB and, prior to that, as an Associate at the law firm Wachtell Lipton Rosen & Katz. Mr. Sola holds an A.B. in Physics from Princeton University and a J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania Law School. He has UK and US citizenship and is admitted to the New York State Bar.

Lucinda Guthrie, Deputy Global Editor, Dealreporter

With twelve years' experience in business journalism, Lucinda has reported on M&A, ECM and corporate activity in Europe, Latin America and Asia. Lucinda joined The Mergermarket Group in 2006. Prior to her current role as Deputy Global Editor, she managed the Dealreporter European editorial team and was Deputy Editor for Asia from 2006 to 2008.



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