

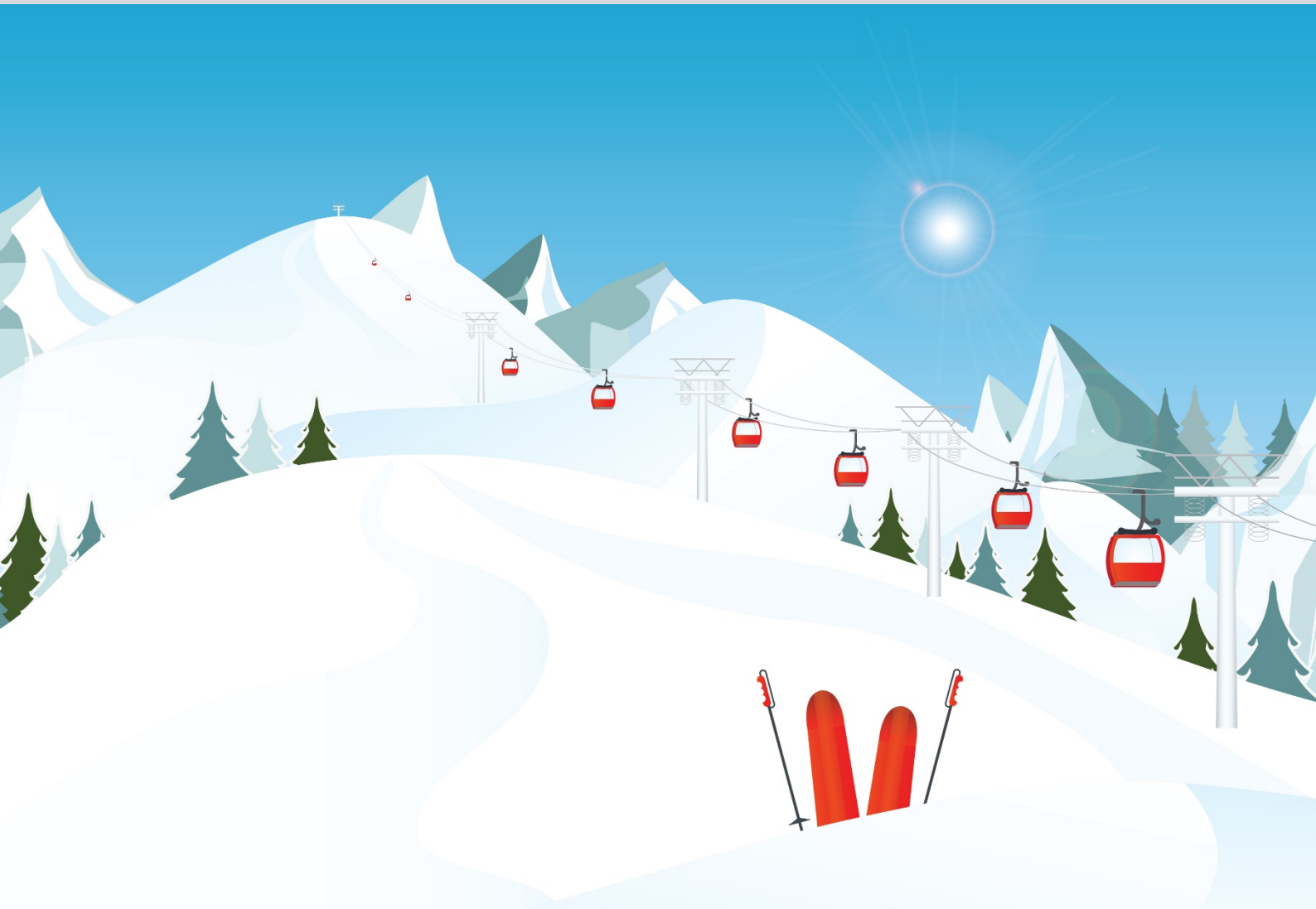
Webinar presented by the UIA

UIA Virtual Winter Seminar 2021 & Kick-off for 2022

Thursday, February 25, 2021
from 3:30 PM CET to 5:00 PM CET (Paris time)

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INTRODUCTION & GENERAL INFORMATION

The **UIA 15th Winter Seminar** will be hosted as webinar and, thus, is different from the usual set-up. But the unique spirit of the seminar shall be kept alive in this virtual format. **Part of the magic of the UIA Winter Seminar** is its informal and dynamic nature. As usual, we will have short presentations, followed by a discussion and Q&A, in which other delegates can share experiences from their own practices, keeping everyone entertained and involved.

At the 15th Winter Seminar, the aim is again to bring together delegates from various UIA Commissions, lawyers and other legal professionals, practicing in different areas and coming from all over the world, thereby facilitating and fostering an interdisciplinary and transnational exchange with a fruitful discussion.

Do not miss this opportunity to meet virtually with your colleagues. Mark your diaries now, save the date and make sure to register! We look forward to meeting you online!



HOW TO REGISTER

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After registering, you will receive a confirmation email explaining how to join the Capsule.

Please note that the number of places is limited. The organisers reserve the right to refuse registrations in the event of excess applications. Admission will be on a first come – first served basis and will only be confirmed upon receipt in full of the registration fees.

The working language will be **English**.

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Welcome and Opening of the Webinar

- **Jorge MARTÍ MORENO**, *UIA President, Uría Menéndez, Valencia, Spain – or his Representative*
- **Francisco RAMOS ROMEU**, *RYA ABOGADOS, Barcelona, Spain*

PART 1- THE TRUTH AND THE LAW – THE US PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS AND SOCIAL MEDIA

The extraordinary events arising out of the recent U.S. presidential election raise important questions about truth, conspiracy theories, and lies, as well as the role and responsibility of social media in informing (or misinforming) public debate. Historically, social media in the United States have enjoyed broad legal immunity for content shared on their platforms. In recent years, however, many on both ends of the political spectrum have clamored for greater legal responsibility. Some have criticized social media for allowing hate speech or incitement of violence to proliferate. Others have argued that social media abuses its immunity to engage in selective censorship, suppressing some viewpoints while tolerating others. Those debates have fundamental ramifications for both the survival of democratic institutions and the tradition of free expression on which American democracy is based. These two presentations will explore those issues and invite participants to exchange their own views, especially from the perspective of their own jurisdiction.

Moderator

- **Yoshihisa HAYAKAWA**, *Uryu & Itoga, Tokyo, Japan*

Speakers

- **Winfried F. SCHMITZ**, *SCHMITZ Law Offices, New York, NY, USA*
- **Robert K. KRY**, *MoloLamken, Washington, DC, USA*

PART 2- KICK-OFF FOR WINTER SEMINAR 2022

Even though the UIA Winter Seminar 2021 will be held in virtual format, we would like to seize the opportunity to refresh our memories about past seminars, exchange ideas and experiences and the Organizing Committee will share first thoughts and information about the plans for the UIA Winter Seminar 2022.

Speakers

- **Véronique MOISSINAC MASSENET**, *Avocat au Barreau de Paris, Paris, France*
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- **Maria CRONIN**, *Peters & Peters Solicitors LLP, London, UK*

PART 3 - SOCIAL GATHERING – DISCUSSION ROUNDS IN SMALLER GROUPS

For the social gathering and exchange among the participants, we will hold three virtual discussion rounds in smaller groups in virtual break out rooms. Like at the Winter Seminar, this part shall allow for professional networking and inspiring conversations among UIA colleagues and friends.

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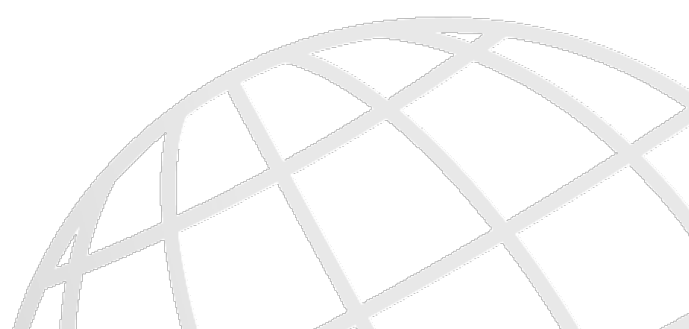
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