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5/XI/2013: “Finance and Human Dignity: What Rights, what Duties?” – an international conference in Luxembourg

The [International Conference “Finance and Human Dignity: What Rights, what Duties?”](#) will take place on 5 November 2013 in Luxembourg. The event is organised by the UNESCO Chair in Human Rights and the Luxembourg School of Finance of the University of Luxembourg with the support of the Luxembourg Bankers’ Association (ABBL) and the Institut luxembourgeois des Droits de l’Homme.

The conference will bring together bankers and human rights experts in one forum to discuss the impact, at micro and macro levels, of finance on human rights and human dignity, as well as the impact of human rights and human dignity on finance.

Economic and financial globalisation gives rise to many challenges in integrating the dimension of human rights issues into the particular role of the financial sector in allocating funding and capital to the productive economy. Given this role and the sector’s large systemic importance, the implementation of the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights in the financial sector has particular importance to society.

The conference provides a forum to explore this subject with experts and other interested participants.

The conference will be opened by Stefan Braum, Dean of the Faculty of Law, Economics and Finance, University of Luxembourg, and the Chair will be Julian Presber, Managing Director of the Luxembourg School of Finance, University of Luxembourg.

Speakers:

- Mary Dowell-Jones, Research Fellow, University of Nottingham, Human Rights Law Centre
- Jean-Paul Lehnens, Professor, UNESCO Chair in Human Rights, University of Luxembourg
- Laurence Pessez, Head of Corporate Social Responsibility, Banque BNP Paribas, Paris
- Jean-Jacques Rommes, Chief Executive Officer, Luxembourg Bankers' Association (ABBL)
- Bernard Bayot, President, European Financial Inclusion Network (EFIN)
- Laura Foschi, Head of Research & Development, ADA, Luxembourg
- Marco Zwick, Compliance Officer, Schroders Investment Management
- Christine Kauffmann, Professor, University of Zurich, International Law

The sessions will include interaction with members of the audience.

The seminar will be held in English.

Participation is free of charge. **Advance registration is required.** Please register by e-mailing to lsf-events@uni.lu before 25 October 2013.

View programme [here](#)

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Venue:

University of Luxembourg
 Campus Kirchberg, Room Paul Feidert
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 L-1359 Luxembourg-Kirchberg