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Cross-border Partnering and Transactions with Innovative Emerging Growth Companies in Technology and Science Driven Sectors – Recent Legal and Regulatory Developments, Challenges and Trends

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# Introduction

Innovation hubs worldwide, often anchored around leading academic institutions, drive cutting-edge research in fields like AI, software/ICT, engineering, robotics, cleantech, and life sciences. These hubs foster the establishment and growth of spin-offs, start-ups, and emerging companies and the creation of diverse ecosystems, bringing together researchers, entrepreneurs, business angels, professional investors and strategic partners (like multinationals). This dynamic creates abundant opportunities for collaboration, investment and strategic transactions.

At the upcoming UIA Business Law Forum, we will explore international partnerships, collaborations and transactions with such

early-stage, innovative companies, focusing on the latest legal and regulatory developments relevant for R&D, market access, licensing and commercialization, collaborations, investments, M&A and dispute resolution in cross-border settings. Our speakers will highlight key challenges and trends shaping these areas.

Experienced legal professionals – both in private practice and in-house – will offer insights, share real-world examples, and foster interactive discussions. The Forum provides a valuable platform for business lawyers, in-house counsel, and industry stakeholders to network, exchange ideas, and build lasting connections.

**We look forward to seeing you in Zurich.**

All the information relative to our events is available on our Website [www.uianet.org](http://www.uianet.org)

The registration programme will be available in the coming weeks. For more information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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