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Joint Ventures – From Birth to Death Joint Ventures – De leur naissance à leurmort

The most important single central fact about a free market is that no exchange takes place unless both parties benefit.

(Milton Friedman)

From the earliest of times, people have found the need and advantages of pooling their resources or knowledge together in achieving a common goal. For a business entity in today's economy, this still holds true in many cases. The reasons for forming a joint venture are as many and varied as the shape the joint venture may take itself and the legal challenges associated with the setting up, running, and, eventually, termination of a joint venture are correspondingly complex.

This seminar will examine all the major aspects of international joint ventures, including:

- ✓ What are the alternatives to setting up a joint venture and which are the advantages and disadvantages of the different approaches?
- ✓ How to control the joint venture?
- ✓ How to achieve the best operational structure?
- ✓ In what respects do you need to take anti-trust law into consideration when establishing a multi-jurisdictional joint venture?
- ✓ What do you need to consider when terminating or winding down the joint venture?
- ✓ Dispute resolution
- ✓ Russian legal aspects

In true AIJA and UIA tradition, the social program and open atmosphere of the seminar will serve to enable the participants to establish important contacts and friendships.