



**16<sup>TH</sup> - 18<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2025**

**BRUSSELS - BELGIUM**

**AUTUMN**  
**Conference**



**RENAISSANCE  
BRUSSELS HOTEL**  
Rue du Parnasse 19,  
1050 Bruxelles,  
Belgium.



## **16th – 18th October 2025**

### **The Avrio Advocati Autumn Conference 2025**

#### **KEY CONFERENCE DETAILS:**

##### **DATES**

Thursday 16 October – Saturday 18 October 2025

##### **VENUE**

Marriott Bonvoy Renaissance Hotel, Brussels (near European Parliament)

##### **THEME**

Law & communication  
celebrating 20 years of connection and collaboration.

##### **POINT OF CONTACT**

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**Dear Members and Friends of Avrio Advocati.**

**I am delighted to invite you to the heart of beautiful Brussels for the Avrio Advocati Autumn Conference, hosted by our friends at ebl redsky.**

Known as the capital of Surrealism, comic books, Art Nouveau, chocolate and beers, as well as being the capital of the European Union, Brussels is the perfect setting to spark fresh ideas, forge stronger connections, and celebrate our shared passion for the law.

**This year's theme – “Law & communication, its subtleties and influence”–** will be explored through lively case studies, keynotes and workshops addressing today's business environment and reflecting on global political and macroeconomic considerations, technological advances, law firm management, client relationships and much more. Over three days, we'll explore how the right words and messages can build trust, open opportunities, and strengthen reputations in an increasingly interconnected world.

**And this year is no ordinary conference – it's our 20th anniversary.** Two decades of Avrio Advocati means two decades of collaboration, cross-border expertise, and friendships that span continents. We're planning to mark the occasion in style... and we might just have a few surprises up our sleeve to make it unforgettable for all delegates, their colleagues as well as some legends of Avrio Advocati.

**Join us in Brussels – a city that blends history, creativity, and energy – for what promises to be a conference to remember.**

**Bruce Bowden,**  
President, Avrio Advocati



## AVRIO ADVOCATI AUTUMN CONFERENCE BRUSSELS 16 - 18 OCTOBER 2025

**THURSDAY, 16 OCTOBER 2025**

**2:30 – 5:00 PM**

### **Visit EU Parliament**

An optional tour of the European Parliament in Brussels for those who arrive early on Thursday 16th October. Admission is free but please reserve your place as spaces are limited.

**3:00 – 5:00 PM**

### **Board meeting at ebl redsky office** (Board members only)

**7:00 – 10:00 PM**

### **WELCOME RECEPTION** at ebl redsky offices (Open to all)

**Address:** Blvd Louis Schmidt 87/4, 1040 Brussels, T : +32 2 737 05 50

Enjoy an evening of food and beverages at ebl redsky's rooftop garden with panoramic views of Brussels city — an opportunity for casual networking and catching up with fellow members and friends. If you have clients or friends in Brussels, invite them along.

### **Dress code: Casual**

Transport: Easily accessible by foot, public transport (Metro and bus) or taxi.



## FRIDAY, 17 OCTOBER 2025

*Early morning jog, yoga and swimming available – more details to follow*

**Location:** Renaissance Brussels Hotel, Brussels Ballroom

**Note :** *The Library is available from 11:00 AM – 7:00 PM should delegates wish to hold internal or external meetings. Feel free to invite your professional contacts or friends there.*

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**9:00 -10:30 AM** Plenary : Law & communication  
**9:00 AM** Welcome - Bruce Bowden President, Avrio Advocati & Conference  
Introduction and welcome to Brussels - Guy Rulkin, Conference Host and  
Partner at ebl redsky  
**9:15 AM** “Brussels and Europe: A Historical Perspective on a Shared Destiny” (Mr.  
Etienne Deschamps, Historical advisor at the European Parliament)  
**9.45 AM** Keynote Speaker - Product Liability  
**10:30 AM** Coffee and refreshments

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**11:00 -12:30 PM** Plenary: Law & communication  
**11:15 AM** Keynote Speaker - Crisis Communication  
**12:00 PM** Keynote Speaker - Litigation Funding

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**12:45 PM** Lunch & networking

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**2:00 PM** Plenary - Afternoon sessions  
**2:10 PM** Presenting new members  
**2:00 PM** Product liability, communication and third party litigation funding.

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**3:45 PM** Coffee break

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**4:30 – 6 PM** Open session – lawyers, clients and friends  
Keynote speaker – inspirational speaker - NOT To be missed:  
Unlocking Leadership Potential  
Next Gen: Legal challenges in a changing world (by ELSA)

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**6:00 – 6:45 PM** Aperitifs for guests  
*NB: Opportunities for informal discussions in the Library Room (open for additional small group or bilateral meetings, external meetings etc)*

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**7:30 PM** **20th Anniversary Gala Dinner Celebration** at Chateau Sainte-Anne  
Black-tie Gala / Business Attire— formal celebration dinner  
Scheduled Photos

## SATURDAY, 18 OCTOBER 2025

Location: Renaissance Brussels Hotel, Brussels Ballroom  
**9:30 AM - 1:00 PM** Communication in Law Firms  
**9:30 AM - 12:00 AM** Communicating our values lead by external speakers Ms. Alya Cardin (novelist) and Mr. Nicolas Vyncke, Ingenium (United Nations affiliate)

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**10:30** Coffee and refreshments during workshops

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**12:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

- Internal session on organisational matters and strategy discussions
- Update from Communities Groups
- Opportunities for member working groups to meet

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**1:00 PM** Lunch

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**2 - 5PM** Afternoon social activities (optional)

**Bike tour of Brussels: Rue de Londres, 2PM - 5PM**

Get on your bike and discover Brussels. Enjoy a friendly bike ride that goes at your pace with local guides. You'll explore Art Nouveau, gastronomy, and culture, on a varied tourist route that's accessible to all.  
Spaces are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment.

**Or**

**Visit Villa Empain** Avenue Franklin Roosevelt, 67 1050 Brussels 2-5PM

A Centre for Art and Dialogue between Eastern and Western cultures, the Villa Empain was once an essential meeting place of Brussels' artistic and cultural life, and a remarkable testament to the Art Deco movement. You will enjoy a terrific exhibition - Echoes of Art Deco - Boghossian Foundation.

Spaces are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment.

**Or**

Enjoy some free time to relax, wander around the city, do some shopping, visit a museum or brewery...

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**Dinner**  
**6:15 PM** Pre-dinner walking tour round the Grand-Place  
(Departing Hotel reception)

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**8:00 PM** Dinner at Bouillon Bruxelles (Dress Code: casual)  
Address : Rue des Dominicains 7/9, 1000 Bruxelles, Belgium.

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**10:30 PM** Visit local pubs

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**Conference Closes**

☐ **All Social Activities**..... **€300**

This price includes the items below.

☐ **Bike Tour** or ☐ **Museum Visit** ..... **€50**

☐ **Visit The Villa Empain**..... **€50**

☐ **Visit The European Union Parliament** ..... **Free**

☐ **Dinner at Bouillon Bruxelles** ..... **€60**

☐ **Gala Black Tie Dinner** ..... **€160**

DELEGATE NAME:

LAW FIRM:

MOBILE NUMBER (To join the conference Whatsapp Group)

PLEASE PROVIDE NAME AND EMAIL ADDRESS FOR ANY COLLEAGUES YOU WILL BRING

DIETARY REQUIREMENTS:

I WILL BRING MY PARTNER (name)

CHILDREN (name & age)