

**Nordic Company Law Seminar
3–5 September 2008
(Arntzen de Besche Advokatfirma AS Bygdoy allé 2 Oslo)**

**Programme for the open day:
Wednesday 3 September 2008**

8.30–9.00 Registration and coffee/tea

09.00–09.10 Opening remarks

09.15–10.15 ‘After Cartesio: on freedom of establishment for European companies’ by professor Mads T Andenæs, The Faculty of Law in Oslo. Debate

10.15–10.30 Coffee/tea break

10.30–11.30 ‘To sue or not to sue? Shareholders’ actions to set aside resolutions of the GM – economic analysis and recent reforms in Europe’ by Dr. Arkadiusz Radwan, Director, Centrum C-Law.org; of counsel, Kubas, Kos, Gaertner, Adwokaci, Krakow, Poland. Debate

11.30–12.30 Lunch

12.30–13.30 ‘Takeover of listed companies – a practical approach to the Norwegian takeover rules’ by partner Geir Evenshaug and partner Erlend Bakken, the law firm Arntzen de Besche, Oslo. Debate

13.30–13.45 Coffee/tea break

13.45–14.45 ‘Share buy-backs after the amendment of the Second Companies Directive in a German-Norwegian comparative perspective’ by Dr. Liane Bednarz, the law firm Latham & Watkins LLP, Munich, Germany. Debate

14.45–15.15 Coffee/tea break

15.15–16.15 ‘Obsolete and obstructive protection of the capital of companies? The prohibition against financial assistance in the Norwegian Public Companies Act § 8-10’ by post doctoral researcher, dr. juris Beate Sjøfjell, the Faculty of Law in Oslo. Debate

16.15–16.30 Closing remarks

16.45– Reception with tapas, wine and mineral water

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The organisers

The Nordic Company Law Seminar is organised jointly by the Nordic Company Law Network (SRN) and the law firm Arntzen de Besche.

SRN is a Nordic network for research fellows/doctoral students and researchers within the field of company and capital market law (see www.jus.uio.no/eurorett/nettverk/srn.html). The network organises annual seminars for its members. In addition to a high-level professional program, the seminars offer network members an opportunity to present their projects and receive feedback from colleagues. This year, for the first time, the seminar starts with an open day, with the aim of bringing together lawyers, researchers, students and others who are interested in current and practical problems related to company law and capital markets. To provide room for a stimulating exchange of views, the programme leaves plenty of time for debate after each lecture.

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The speakers

Professor Mads T Andenæs,

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Dr. Arkadiusz Radwan,

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