2nd Annual DSJUV-Symposium

"Doing Business in Germany"

at 3.00 pm on Tuesday 22 May 2012 at Edinburgh International Conference Centre, The Exchange, Edinburgh, EH3 8EE, Scotland

Patron

The Consul-General of the Federal Republic of Germany Herr Wolfgang Mössinger

Sponsors

- The Scottish Section of the German-British Chamber of Industry & Commerce
- Morisons Solicitors, Edinburgh Glasgow
- Dr. Nietsch & Kroll Rechtsanwälte, Hamburg (<u>www.nkr-hamburg.de</u>)

Programme

• 2.45pm - 3.00pm

Registration

• 3.00pm - 3.15pm

Welcome

Matthias W. Kroll, LL.M., Rechtsanwalt, Chairman, German -Scottish Lawyers' Association (DSJUV), Dr. Nietsch & Kroll Rechtsanwälte Hamburg Wolfgang Mössinger, Consul-General of the Federal Republic of Germany

• 3.15pm - 3.45pm

Hamburg - Successful Cluster Policies and Business Opportunities for International Companies Stefan Matz, HWF Hamburg Business Development Corporation

• 3.45pm - 4.15pm

Is it crossing your mind to cross over the Rhine? – Concerns, Costs and Considerations for expanding your business into Germany

John Di Paola, Solicitor, Thorntons LLP, Dundee

• 4.15pm - 4.45pm

Coffee Break

• 4.45pm - 5.15pm

German Corporate Structures and Tax Implications

Klaas Borchert, Rechtsanwalt, Tax Consultant, Partner, Dr. Schackow & Partner, Hamburg

• 5.15pm - 5.45pm

Protection and Enforcement of Intellectual Property Rights in Germany

Matthias Gerhardt, LL.M., Rechtsanwalt, Esche Schümann Commichau Rechtsanwälte, Wirtschaftsprüfer, Steuerberater, Hamburg

• 5.45pm - 6.00pm

Coffee Break

• 6.00pm - 6.30pm

Market Entry Made Simple: The German Law on Fair Competition

Dr. Thomas Höppner, LL.M., Rechtsanwalt, Hogan Lovells LLP, Berlin

• 6.30pm - 6.50pm

Key Aspects of German Employment and Labour Law - how to best manage legal pitfalls to minimize risks

Matthias W. Kroll, LL.M., Rechtsanwalt, Dr. Nietsch & Kroll Rechtsanwälte, Hamburg

• 6.50pm - 7.00pm

Summary