



University of Warwick School of Law

**INVITATION TO  
A Symposium on Financial Institutions in Distress  
Recovery, Resolution, Recognition  
20 October 2023  
at UNIDROIT, Via Panisperna, 28 00184 Rome Italy**

Please join us for a day of discussions and brainstorming regarding strategies and policies to address the distress of financial institutions. The Symposium will **pay tribute to Professor Alberto Mazzoni**, former President of UNIDROIT, and Founding President of the UNIDROIT -Queen Mary Institute of Transnational Law and III member

The Event is Co-hosted by the International Insolvency Institute (III), the International Institute for the Unification of Private Law (UNIDROIT), Istituto per la Vigilanza sulle Assicurazioni (IVASS), University of British Columbia Law Faculty, University of Warwick School of Law, and UNIDROIT -Queen Mary Institute of Transnational Commercial Law.

Please register at: [info@unidroit.org](mailto:info@unidroit.org) , specifying whether you will attend in person or virtually, and if you wish to attend the tour on the 19<sup>th</sup> of October.

**PROGRAMME**

**THURSDAY 19 OCTOBER**

**5.15 p.m.** *Optional Guided tour of Palazzo Koch Art Collection, Banca d'Italia, Via Nazionale 91, Rome*

**FRIDAY, 20 OCTOBER 2023**

**8:40 TO 1:20 CEST  
UNIDROIT, Via Panisperna, 28 00184 Rome  
Virtual Participation via Zoom**

**AGENDA**

- 8:15** *Welcome Coffee and tea*
- 8:40** **Welcome** Professor Maria Chiara Malaguti, **President, UNIDROIT**
- 8:45** **Introductory remarks** Dr Janis Sarra, University of British Columbia, Canada, Member, **UNIDROIT** Working Group on Bank Insolvency
- 8:50** **Opening Keynote Mr Justice Kannan Ramesh (TBC)**, Supreme Court of Singapore, and President, International Insolvency Institute

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9:05

**PANEL I**

***Cross-border Issues for Financial Institutions in Distress: Not Just for Systemically Important Banks***

Chair: **Lord Richards**, Justice, United Kingdom Supreme Court

**Professor Ignacio Tirado**, Secretary General UNIDROIT, Professor of Law, Universidad Autónoma of Madrid

**Monica Marcucci**, General Counsel, IVASS, Italy

**Sumant Batra**, Founder, India International Insolvency Academy, former President INSOL

**Vivian Grassi Sampaio**, Deputy Head of the Department of Resolution and Sanctioning Action, Banco Central do Brasil, and UNIDROIT Working Group on Bank Insolvency

10:15

**PANEL II**

***The Path Across the Border: A Model Law?***

Chair: **Dr Janis Sarra**, Professor of Law, University of British Columbia, Canada, Member, UNIDROIT Working Group on Bank Insolvency

**Professor Irit Mevorach**, Professor of International Commercial Law, Warwick Law School, University of Warwick, UK, Member of UNIDROIT Working Group on Bank Insolvency and co-Chair of sub-group III

**Professor Hideki Kanda**, Emeritus Professor, University of Tokyo, Professor, Gakushuin University Law School (remotely)

**Professor Rosa Lastra**, Sir John Lubbock Chair in Banking Law, Queen Mary University of London, UK, Member, UNIDROIT Working Group on Bank Insolvency

**Dr Riz Mokal**, Barrister, South Square, London, UK; Honorary Research Fellow, Aberdeen University School of Law

11:30

**Break**

**PANEL III**

11:45

***Safeguards Supporting a Cross-border Resolution Framework***

Chair: **Justice Barbara Romaine**, Alberta Court of King's Bench, Canada

**Dr Ronald Davis**, Professor Emeritus, University of British Columbia Faculty of Law, Canada

**Professor Stefania Bariatti**, University of Milano, School of Law, Chair of UNIDROIT Working Group on Bank Insolvency and UNIDROIT Governing Council Member for Italy

**Professor Dr Stephan Madaus**, Professor of Law, Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg, Germany (remotely)

13:00

***Closing Reflections*** **Lord Richards**, Justice, United Kingdom Supreme Court

13:10

***Closing thanks and tribute to Alberto Mazzoni*** **Professor Ignacio Tirado**, Secretary General UNIDROIT

13:20

**Symposium ends**

13:30

**Light Lunch**