



BBCA LEGAL NEWSLETTER



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A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT



A Happy New Year to all and a warm welcome once again to our Newsletter, dedicated to bringing our clients and friends the latest updates and recent developments in our law firm.

The past few months have brought great excitement and growth to our firm. Following our participation in the Barcelona International Boat Show, our founder and Senior Advocate, Dr. Luis Berenguer Comas, was invited to teach Maritime Shipping and Marine Pollution at various renowned academic institutions in Barcelona. As pioneers and leaders in the field of Maritime Law, it gives us great pride to continue to be at the forefront not only in legal practice, but also in academia. Our attorneys are both counselors and educators and continue to raise the bar when it comes to excellence.

As an international law firm, we also had the privilege of taking part in several enriching events related to investment opportunities in the Russian and Turkish markets. Both Russia and Turkey are countries experiencing tremendous growth and present vast possibilities for investors and businesses. BBCA is actively seeking to work within these markets in unique and promising ways. Our global workforce is one of our greatest strengths and our multicultural team of lawyers and business graduates makes adapting to an international market possible.

We hope you enjoy reading about our latest events and continue to follow us on our website, Twitter and LinkedIn.

Victor Domínguez Santaló
Attorney & President of BBCA

16th Edition: Barcelona Meeting Point



16th Edition: Barcelona Meeting Point Exhibition at Fira Barcelona. BBCA Staff photograph

Barcelona Meeting Point organizes the only Real Estate Exhibition in the city of Barcelona. It held its 16th Edition at Fira Barcelona near Plaça Espanya from October 17th to the 21st, bringing together a vast array of real estate professionals, investors and representatives from cities around the world, especially from Russia, Poland, Colombia, and Spain. It has proven to be the place to go if you are looking to buy or sell property, invest in real estate or attend interesting and enlightening conferences on the subject.



Stand at the Barcelona Meeting Point Exhibition. BBCA staff photograph.

This year's enthralling exhibition was divided in two sections: one area was reserved for professionals, and the other was open to the general public. Fira Barcelona was packed with eager visitors filled with creative ideas and dreams of expansion. Members of our Russian Legal Department and our Real Estate Law Department were able to visit both sections and meet with representatives from different real estate companies, governmental agencies and tourism boards from around the globe, taking the chance to discuss interesting opportunities for collaboration and common ground.

IMEX International Business Fair



IMEX International Business Fair at El Palace Hotel, Barcelona. BBCA Staff photograph.

IMEX ("Impulso Exterior") is the largest International Business Fair in the city of Barcelona and aims to provide products and services for medium-to-large businesses. This year's fair was hosted at the luxurious El Palace Hotel on Gran Via from October 24th to the 25th and was attended by a wide variety of businesses, banks, entrepreneurs, and governmental representatives from countries around the world. The event also housed a section in which representatives from different countries were able to talk one-on-one with visitors by appointment. As an international law firm, our lawyers were thrilled to meet with representatives to talk about upcoming projects and opportunities for collaboration.

Turkish National Celebration



Princesa Sofia Hotel terrace BBCA Staff photograph.

October 29th is the Republic of Turkey's National Celebration. It commemorates the founding of the Turkish Republic. To celebrate, this year the Consulate General of Turkey in Barcelona organized a delightful cocktail at the Princesa Sofia

Hotel terrace, overlooking the bustling business district on Diagonal Avenue.

The event was attended by the Honorable Consul General of Turkey in Barcelona and his lovely wife, along with many businessmen and women from the Turkish community in Barcelona and Spanish entrepreneurs currently conducting business in Turkey. Our firm was honored to attend also and is grateful to the Consulate General of Turkey for its kind invitation to this most memorable event.



Two members of the BBKA team at the Turkish National Celebration. BBKA Staff photograph.

Conference: Incentive Plan and Business and Investment opportunities in Turkey

Last November 5th Foment de Treball Internacional hosted an enlightening conference that explored business and investment opportunities in Turkey. The conference was delivered by members of the Turkish Ministry of Economy following a brief introduction by the Honorable Consul General of Turkey and the President of the Foment International Commission.

The conference provided an in-depth analysis of the current economic environment in Turkey in a way that was both informative and enthusiastic. Following the event, attendees were able to set up appointments with the different participants to discuss business endeavors and ideas on the topics discussed during the conference.



Conference at Foment de Treball Internacional on Business and Investment in Turkey. BBKA Staff photograph.

Casa del Mar Barcelona

Our firm's founder, retired Maritime Law professor, advocate and Captain of the Mercantile Marine, Dr. Luis Berenguer, was invited by Casa del Mar Barcelona to deliver a class on maritime shipping at its premises last October 30th. The course was attended by mariners visiting Barcelona from all over the world and aimed to explain legal aspects of shipping in a practical and approachable manner.



Dr. Berenguer teaching a course on shipping at Casa del Mar Barcelona. BBKA staff photograph

The session was conducted interactively to encourage those in attendance to ask questions that would allow them to improve their daily work as mariners. Following the class, Dr. Berenguer was able to meet and chat with students and Casa del Mar staff. He was also thanked for his participation on behalf of the entire class, which presented him with a kind token of appreciation.



Dr. Berenguer receiving a gift from one of the international students at Casa del Mar. BBKA staff photograph.

On November 13th, Dr. Luis Berenguer once again delivered a conference on Maritime Law. This time he offered the session on the fascinating topic of Marine Pollution, a subject he taught for many years at the Nautical Faculty of the Polytechnic University of Catalonia (UPC). The conference took place at the University of Barcelona's Faculty of Chemistry and was attended by Master's degree students.

British Chamber of Commerce: Welcome Back from the Summer Cocktail



BCCS Welcome Back from the Summer Cocktail. Photograph by Gareth Lloyd-Evans (garethfoto@gmail.com).

Last October 9th, the British Chamber of Commerce (BCCS) in Barcelona celebrated its yearly Welcome Back from the Summer Cocktail. This year the event was held at the stunning five-star Hotel Claris. The rooftop terrace proved to be an ideal scene for the event, which provided attendees with an excellent opportunity to meet new members of the British Chamber of Commerce's Governing Council.



Members of the BBKA team at Hotel Claris. Photograph by Gareth Lloyd-Evans (garethfoto@gmail.com).

The event was graced with quite a turnout and a splendid selection of hors d'oeuvres was served along with champagne amidst a delightful and relaxed moonlit atmosphere. A raffle was conducted and a lucky winner had the chance to experience a night at this one-of-a-kind hotel as a prize. BBKA staff members in attendance were happy to participate in this delightful evening event and thank the British Chamber of Commerce in Spain for its gracious invitation.



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