

Association STEP Geneva - Office of the Secretary

Thursday 3 September 2026 – AGM + Luncheon Conference

Our next buffet/lunch conference will be held on **Thursday 3 September 2026** at the **Metropole Hotel, Geneva**. The buffet luncheon will be from 11:45 until 12:30 followed by the AGM at 12:30. The presentation will be from 12:45 until 13:45 including Q&A and the coffee/desserts will be available between 13:45 and 14:00.

Our speakers of the day will be [Maud Udry Alhanko](#) – *Partner at MLL Legal* and [Lorenzo Ferro](#) – *Senior Associate at Chiomenti*, who will speak in **English** on the topic:

**TIL JURISDICTION DO US PART: SWISS-ITALIAN MARITAL AND
SUCCESSION PLANNING**

The session will explore the issues that arise in cross-border relationships and changes of residence between Switzerland and Italy, involving both nationals and non-nationals of the two countries. The intention of this session is to examine the private international law aspects of marriage (and similar relationships) and succession planning, as well as the effectiveness of guardianship arrangements for children and powers of attorney in cases of incapacity, also with a view at addressing the tax consequences that often arise in practice from those choices.



Maud Udry-Alhanko is a Partner in the Private Client group of the firm, which she joined in 2008 after beginning her career there as an associate. She holds an LL.M. from Duke University (2005), passed the New York Bar in 2006, and has been admitted to the Swiss Bar since 2008.

A Certified Specialist in Family Law accredited by the Swiss Bar Association, Maud Udry-Alhanko has extensive experience in private client matters, with a particular focus on matrimonial and estate planning, as well as divorce and succession. Her practice is frequently characterised by a strong international dimension. She regularly advises entrepreneurs and high-net-worth individuals on their relocation to Switzerland, handling complex

cross-border issues relating in particular to immigration, real estate, tax matters, trusts, and art law.

In parallel with her private client practice, Maud Udry-Alhanko plays a strategic role in advising organisations on the design and implementation of Whistleblowing frameworks and regularly leads internal investigations within multidisciplinary teams of legal specialists.

She is a member of the Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners (STEP) and also advises Swiss charitable foundations, serving on the boards of several foundations.



Lorenzo Ferro practises in Chiomenti's Tax Department, based in Milan.

He advises Italian and international clients on tax matters relating to family wealth, trusts, succession planning, cross-border estate planning and international taxation. His practice focuses on high-net-worth individuals, entrepreneurial families, family offices and investment professionals, with particular experience in wealth structuring, relocation planning, special tax regimes for inbound individuals, and trust and estate planning.

Lorenzo regularly works on cross-border private client matters involving foreign trustees, private banks, family offices and international advisers, including in situations where changes of residence, family governance arrangements, marital planning and succession planning require coordination between Italian tax rules and broader private wealth considerations. He also has experience in tax ruling procedures before the Italian tax authorities, including in relation to the Italian flat tax regime for new residents, and lectures and writes on tax matters connected with private wealth, international mobility and wealth planning.

Registration:

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This event counts as “1 structured CPD hour”.

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