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Practice Group Real Estate Law

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Dealing with an understanding of what can and cannot work in a jurisdiction, in terms of e.g. planning law; the distinction between land and the buildings on land; funding requirements for both developers and buyers/tenants of completed buildings; whether payments for land and buildings can or cannot be made in stages; infrastructure; guarantees etc.

The group will discuss how and when a real estate lawyer could and should be involved in a real estate transaction and how involved lawyers can deal with the abovementioned issues, domestic as well as in the foreign country.

A presentation of the topic will be given by a member of the group, and the group will then discuss the topic and compare experiences from other countries represented by the members in the group.

Session:

"Complex Infrastructure Projects"

09:00	Welcome by the chair
09:05	Around the table Members and guests of the group present themselves
09:30	Session theme part I – Presentation of the situation in Belgium by Wouter VAASSEN (lawyer RACINE BRUSSELS)



- I.1. The problem: gridlocked or abandoned projects
- I.2. A solution? A new law on the books: specifics of the Flemish Complex Projects Act
- I.3. Short case study: the new law "in action" as illustrated by the complex infrastructure project to expand the container handling capacity in the Antwerp port

10:40 Coffee break

- 11:00 Session theme part II Interactive discussion on the subject input from the group members on concrete (successful or unsuccessful) complex infrastructure projects (or special regulatory frameworks) from their home jurisdiction
- 12:30 Ending and evaluation on the session theme and discussion on topics and ideas for the next Congress