

ALFAI 2024 European Regional Meeting – Program Outline

6 JUNE – 8 JUNE 2024 | HOTEL SEIDENHOF | ZURICH, SWITZERLAND

THURSDAY 6 JUNE

16.30 – 18.30

REGISTRATION & WELCOME RECEPTION

Zurich Yacht Club
General-Guisan-Quai 17, 8002
www.zyc.ch

The first event of the seminar will be a welcome reception at the Zurich Yacht Club hosted by ALFA International's local member firm in Zurich, Wicki Partners AG. Attendees can also officially register for the event and enjoy cocktails with their fellow attendees. Thank you, Balthasar Wicki, and the rest of the firm, for your gracious hosting of the event!

The Zurich Yacht Club is a 16-minute walk from the hotel. If you prefer to leisurely walk over with a group, please meet in the lobby at 16.00.

Attire is smart casual, jeans are appropriate and consider wearing sun protection.

19.00 – 22.00

PLATED DINNER

Zunfthaus zur Zimmerleuten
Limmatquai 40, 8001
www.zunfthaus-zimmerleuten.ch

After the welcome reception, we will enjoy a communal dinner at the Zunfthaus zur Zimmerleuten, a traditional guild house situated next to the Limmat River in the old part of town. The evening begins with an apéro, which will take place outdoors on Rüdenplatz in fair weather and lasts approximately 30 minutes. The dinner begins at 19.30 and the menu will include vegan, vegetarian, and meat options.

Zunfthaus zur Zimmerleuten is a 15-minute walk from the Zurich Yacht Club. There is an option to walk together.

Attire is smart casual, jeans are appropriate.

FRIDAY 7 JUNE

07.00 – 08.40

BREAKFAST

Restaurant of Hotel Seidenhof
Sihlstrasse 9, 8001
www.hotelseidenhof.com

Breakfast at your leisure is included in your hotel room rate.

09.00 – 13.00

PROGRAM SESSIONS:

Zunft Haus zur Meisen
Piano Nobile South on 1st floor
Münsterhof 20, 8001
www.zunft-haus-zur-meisen.ch

The meeting location is a 9-minute walk from the hotel. If you prefer to walk over with a group, please meet in the lobby at 08.40.

Attire is business casual.

09.00 – 09.10

WELCOME

Balthasar Wicki
Host Firm
WICKI PARTNERS AG
Zurich, Switzerland

Jessica Zaroski Bauer
CEO
ALFA INTERNATIONAL
Chicago, Illinois, USA

09.10 – 09.30

WELCOME TO ZURICH!

Welcome address by a local political/governmental representative. More information on the speaker will be circulated to registrants.

09.30 – 10:30

INTERACTIVE SESSION "IMMERSION INTO AI –A MOOT COURT OF SORTS"

Together with Swiss AI geeks our Zurich host firm has prepared a LLM (large language model) based on the document ocean of a well-known U.S. court case. After an introductory presentation on the technical working of an AI model, the participants will split into two groups and will practically work with the LLM and each group will prepare a court speech with the support of AI tools.

Participants: Please bring your laptops or pads with charged batteries.

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FRIDAY 7 JUNE CONT'D

- 10.30 – 10.50** **BREAK – PIANO NOBILE NORTH ON 1ST FLOOR**
- 10.50 – 11.30** **CONTINUATION**
The immersive AI session will continue after the coffee break and will be concluded with a short presentation of a commercial AI tool for the legal profession (herlock.ai) developed in Zurich.
- 11.30 – 13.00** **EUROPEAN REGIONAL MEETING**
During this session, the group will discuss the recruitment of new members and current prospects, marketing efforts, and the 2025 European Regional Seminar location. This session is intended to be an open forum discussion, so please come ready to express your thoughts and collaborate!
- 13.00 – 14.30** **ALFAI ATTORNEY ONLY LUNCH**
Zunfthaus zur Meisen, Piano Nobile North on 1st floor – Plated & Standing Lunch
- 15.00 – 16.30** **KUNSTHAUS ZÜRICH**
Heimplatz 1/5, 8001
www.kunsthhaus.ch
The Zurich Art Museum is the biggest art museum of Switzerland and houses one of the most important art collections in Switzerland. The new wing designed by David Chipperfield Architects added in 2021 another 11'500 m² of spectacular exhibition place. Attendees will experience a private tour of the collection as well as an introduction to the history of Switzerland's largest art museum. The tours will be divided into two groups of 20 people each and will last 90 minutes.
Kunsthhaus Zurich is an 11-minute walk from Zunfthaus zur Meisen. The group will leave at 14.40 and walk together. Spouses, please meet either at the Zunfthaus zur Meisen at 14.30 or directly at the main entrance of the Zurich Art Museum at 14.50.
Attire is casual, jeans are appropriate.
- 16.30 – 17.50** **BREAK**
Hotel Seidenhof is a 16-minute walk from Kunsthhaus Zurich.
- 18.00** **BUS DEPARTURE**
Please meet the Assistants of Wicki Partners in the hotel lobby at 17.50. The bus will depart 100 meters from the hotel entrance on St. Annagasse and the transfer to dinner is approximately 20 minutes.

FRIDAY 7 JUNE CONT'D

18.30 – 23.00

COCKTAIL HOUR & DINNER

18.30 - 19.30 Cocktail Hour

19.30 - 23.00 Plated Dinner

Chäsalp

Tobelhofstrasse 236, 8044

www.chaesalp.ch

At the Chäsalp, a country restaurant in the hills of Zurich, attendees will enjoy a traditional Swiss cheese fondue together, in fair weather outside on the lawn. During the aperitif, Michael Wäckerlin, a former employee of Wicki Partners and now a show-star, will accompany the group with his musical talent as "The Human Jukebox". The dinner will feature all-you-can-eat cheese fondue, including a vegan option. For those who don't fancy cheese, the classic menu selection will be available.

Attendees will be transferred by bus and arrive back at the hotel by 23.00.

Attire is casual, jeans are appropriate. Please pack a jumper or a light jacket for evening weather.

SATURDAY 8 JUNE

09.00 – 18.00

OPTIONAL DAY TRIP "GOLDEN TOUR"

Attendees will embark on a journey to central Switzerland, taking in the views of Lucerne's breathtaking landscapes and iconic landmarks from the top of Mount Pilatus. The group will enjoy a relaxing boat ride to Lucerne, board the cogwheel railway to Pilatus Kulm for panoramic mountain views, and experience a cable car ride to the beautiful city of Kriens.

09.00

Departure by bus from Hotel Seidenhof (again at St. Annagasse)

10.45 – 11.15

Meeting point with guide in Lucerne, and transfer to Alpnachstad

11.40 – 12.07

Cogwheel train ride to Pilatus Kulm

www.pilatus.ch/en/discover/cogwheel-railway

12.15 – 13.30

Lunch break/free time on own

13.45 – 14.45

Group cable car ride to Kriens

www.pilatus.ch/en/discover/panorama-gondolas

14.45 – 15.15

Transfer from Kriens to Lucerne

15.15 – 16.45

Guided walking tour in Lucerne

17.00 – 18.00

Bus transfer back to the hotel

Attire is mountain casual, comfortable shoes are recommended. Please pack sun protection and a light rain jacket.

GENERAL INFORMATION

HOTEL LOCATION:

Hotel Seidenhof
Sihlstrasse 9, 8001
Zurich, Switzerland
Tel: +41 44 228 75 00
[Website](#)



MEETING LOCATION:

Zunfthaus zur Meisen
Münsterhof 20, 8001
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REGISTRATION:

ATTENDANCE IS OPEN ONLY TO REGISTERED MEMBERS OF ALFA INTERNATIONAL AND THEIR INVITED GUESTS AND IS LIMITED TO AGES 21+.

ATTIRE:

Zurich has become a rather dress-down city. The attire for the educational sessions throughout the conference is “business casual.” The evening activities on Thursday are smart casual, jeans are appropriate. The activities on Friday and Saturday are casual, jeans are appropriate.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION

If you need any special accommodations, including a nursing room, special dietary meals, ADA access or other needs, please reach out to ALFA International staff in advance of the meeting. We will ensure that necessary accommodations are provided.

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