

Interact Europe Welcomes First Spanish Member Firm

InterAct Europe, the pan-European network of independent legal practices founded by Pitmans in 1990, has welcomed its first Spanish member firm with the arrival of Madrid and Barcelona-based ECIJA.

ECIJA's joining as a new member of InterAct Europe follows its merger in December 2010 with the Barcelona-based Jausas. The merger has created a full-service, top-eight law firm in Spain offering specialities including: corporate; M&A; restructuring; finance; litigation; real estate; tax; labour antitrust and competition; information technology; intellectual property; telecommunications; compliance; and regulatory practices.

Paul Harding, chairman of InterAct Europe, comments: "ECIJA has shown itself to be one of the leading law firms in Spain, a position only strengthened by its recent merger with Jausas, and is an excellent addition to the InterAct Network.

"Clients of firms within InterAct Europe can now benefit from unrivalled legal advice in Spain, in addition to the jurisdictions of the network's existing members. Likewise, clients of ECIJA have access to leading legal expertise and experience across Europe."

The arrival of ECIJA is part of InterAct Europe's aim of having full service representation in all the major EU jurisdictions by 2012. Paul Harding was recruited to spearhead this push in summer 2010, with a particular focus on increasing InterAct Europe's membership within the Iberian economies of Spain and Portugal.

Paul Harding adds: "With ECIJA welcomed as a new member of InterAct Europe, the network is well on its way towards its objective of full representation in all the major EU jurisdictions by 2012. The network now boasts offices in 19 cities and commercial centres throughout Europe, giving clients a truly comprehensive service across the continent and beyond."

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