LALIVE and PETERS & PETERS SOLICITORS LLP

are pleased to invite you

On Tuesday 3 September 2013 at 35, rue de la Mairie,

to a Seminar on

FREEZING AND RESTITUTION OF ILLICIT ASSETS OF
POLITICALLY EXPOSED PERSONS:
A SWISS SOLUTION?

In the wake of the Arab Spring, the Ben Ali, Mubarak, and Gaddafi cases have raised numerous questions as to the handling of politically exposed persons’ assets. With a view to addressing some of these issues, the Swiss government has proposed a new piece of legislation, described as “the first of its kind in the world”, namely the (currently draft) Federal Act on the Freezing and Restitution of Assets of Politically Exposed Persons Obtained by Unlawful Means. The seminar will focus on the tools currently available under Swiss law to freeze and return illicit assets of politically exposed persons as well as the proposed Swiss law, with a comparative approach with English and EU law.

PROGRAMME

From 4.30 pm to 6.30 pm

Moderator: Dr Marc Henzelin

• Short presentations by Rita Adam (vice-director of the Directorate for Public International law), Jean-Bernard Schmid (Prosecutor), Michael O’Kane, Peters & Peters Solicitors LLP, Sandrine Giroud and Sonja Maeder Morvant, LALIVE.
• Q&A session

The seminar will be followed by a cocktail.

Please register by no later than 27 August 2013 at seminaire@lalive.ch