



## PRESS RELEASE: WOA confirms DLA Piper Cooperation

### DLA Piper's Steven Geerlings to become Chair of WOA's Legal Learning Lab

WOA is delighted to announce that DLA Piper's Head of International Asset Based Lending (ABL), Steven Geerlings, has agreed to become the Chair for WOA's Legal Learning Lab, one of WOA's innovative new lifetime learning and development initiatives.

Steven Geerlings, who specialises in cross-border ABL transactions, will bring his world class knowledge and reputation to facilitate and lead the Legal Learning Lab.

Together with all the other WOA Community Experts who will participate and provide support, with Steven's guidance, we are convinced that this Learning Lab will contribute to the spread of knowledge, not only about legal aspects of receivables finance but also help in shaping more harmonization across the global industry.

Simultaneously, WOA is also very pleased that DLA Piper has kindly agreed to host a yearly New Year's reception for the WOA community, similar to the great launch event on 10 December 2018. Further details will be released soon.

Erik Timmermans of WOA said "We are really delighted by DLA Piper's vision and commitment to our new venture and see it as a real positive influence in driving the initiative forward. Steven's expertise and reputation will ensure that the Learning Lab is a real success!"

Steven Geerlings of DLA Piper added "Building knowledge, awareness and expertise is key to success in our Industry, and I'm looking forward to the role that the WOA Legal Learning Lab will have in working towards this important objective."

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*Note for Editors:*

*WOA – World of Open Account is a new initiative for a global collaborative Community of professionals and companies in Open Account Receivables Financing. WOA's mission is to be the digital home of Receivables Finance: a collaboration-based networking and competence centre for better, safer and more productive Receivables Financing. WOA is a project initiated by Erik Timmermans and is supported by high profile strategic advisors and founding members from the receivables finance industry.*