

World Law Group Elects New Board of Directors



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Washington, DC/ Delegates who attended **WLG | summit Rome '23** in Italy, held elections for the next WLG President and Board of Directors last week. All board members serve a two-year term. The newly installed officers are:



Maria Elisa Gualandi Verri of [TozziniFreire Advogados](#) in São Paulo, Brazil, was elected President and began her two-year term on October 29, 2023. Maria Elisa is a partner and member of her firm's Executive Committee. The primary focuses of her practice are Corporate/M&A and Corporate Social Investment. Maria Elisa is a WLG Key Contact Partner for TozziniFreire, is currently a member of the Membership Committee, and served on the Board of Directors as a Director from 2015–2019.



Diana Rivera of [Cuatrecasas](#) in Madrid, Spain, will serve as Secretary. Diana specializes in venture capital and private equity investment and advises on complex national and cross-border M&A transactions, restructurings, and joint ventures. She has represented Spanish and multinational companies in major technology, banking, energy, and pharmaceutical transactions. Diana has been an active member of WLG and served as Director on WLG's Board from 2021–2023.



Per Lidman of [Setterwalls](#) in Malmö, Sweden, will serve as Treasurer. Per is the previous managing partner and current lead of Setterwalls' Life Sciences team. His practice focuses on intellectual property and commercial transactions, primarily with tech companies. Per is a Key Contact Partner and has served as Co-chair of WLG's Intellectual Property Group for the past two years.



Srinath Dasari is a Senior Partner with [AZB & Partners'](#) corporate practice group in Bangalore, India. His experience includes private equity, venture capital, mergers & acquisitions, joint ventures, and capital market transactions in India, internationally, and across sectors. Srinath is a WLG Key Contact Partner and former Co-chair of the Venture Capital Group.



Paige Davis is a Shareholder and Co-chair of the Corporate, Securities and M&A Team at [Lane Powell's](#) Seattle, Washington, USA office. She guides clients through cross-border transactions, including mergers and acquisitions, restructures, organizational forms, exit strategies, commercial contracts, and other business operations. Many of Paige's clients are multinational companies addressing the legal needs connected with their American business activities. She is a WLG Key Contact Partner for her firm and active Women of WLG member.



Samir Kantaria leads [Al Tamimi & Company's](#) Employment & Incentives practice, advising on the full range of employment law issues, contentious and non-contentious. He is also an elected member of the firm's Executive Board and is based in the firm's Dubai, UAE office. Samir has been active in WLG's Business Development Committee since his firm joined the network in 2018, and this will be his second term as Director.

The WLG Regional Directors will continue on the Board for another year to complete their two-year terms of service that are staggered from the other Board members. WLG's next election for Regional Directors will be held at the summit in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in October of 2024. WLG's current Regional Directors are:



Americas
Vicente Lines, [Arias Law](#) (Costa Rica)



Asia-Pacific
Pranat Laohapiroj, [Chandler MHM Limited](#) (Thailand)



EMEA
Koos Pretorius, [ENSafrica](#) (South Africa)

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