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Hosted and chaired by: Andreas Gustafsson, Chief Counsel Europe Nasdaq

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Attendees: General Counsel, Heads of Legal from qualified Nordic-based companies. Approx 20.

Format: Afternoon roundtable with front-of-room speakers, post-roundtable networking dinner.

16:00 - 16:20 Arrival and registration

16:20 - 16:30 Introduction by Chair

> **Andreas Gustafsson** Chief Counsel Europe NASDAQ, Stockholm

16:30 - 17:00 Transforming Danske Bank's legal departments after the financial crisis key dilemmas

- What needed fixing and what worked?
- Crisis management and room for development
- Cost pressure and needed investments what to prioritise?
- Planning and execution or just execution?
- What are we working on now?

Flemming S. Pristed

Group General Counsel – Attorney, Executive Vice President

Danske Bank, Denmark

17:00 - 17:30 **The Nordic Corporate Governance Model**

Per Lekvall will provide a detailed overview of the Nordic Corporate Governance Model followed by discussion.

Per Lekvall

Board member

Swedish Corporate Governance Board, Sweden

17:30 - 18:00 Is the compliance function advisory or policing? - and what is the consequence for reporting lines and main areas of responsibility?

Let's face it: during the last 5-10 years legal compliance has attracted increasing attention. Increased legislation (also in developing countries) and increased enforcement against "big business" has meant that companies have had to (re)invent compliance functions and depending on industry - integrate compliance heavily into daily operations. But what is the optimal compliance function structure from an operational efficiency as well as a risk-mitigation approach? Should compliance rest with the legal functions or be a separate organisation with reporting lines similar to those of internal audit? Should it be centralized or decentralized? And how is monitoring and assurance ensured (without disrupting business too much...)?

Christian Kledal

Group General Counsel

A.P. Møller - Mærsk A/S, Denmark

18:00 - 18:30 **Using Technology to Drive Legal Department Performance**

Top 10 Metrics to Track to Drive Success

Organisations face mounting pressures to reduce costs, improve the efficiency and the quality of legal service delivery, and manage budgets with exceptional predictability and certainty. In response, a key priority for many corporate legal departments is to use data and metrics to improve operational and financial performance and bring insights to the point of action.

We'll discuss your challenges then share a structured, practical approach to help you focus on optimising the core disciplines necessary for to create a high-performing legal department. This brief, high-impact session provides an overview of the top key performance metrics and operational reports available and the value these bring to help you take your department to the next level; improve your focus, make better informed decisions, and get the results you need to meet your organisation's strategic objectives.

Marcus de-Layen Vian

Regional Sales Director Nordics

ELM Solutions

Panel Session – Managing the In-house Legal Function 18:30 - 19:30

Examination of when to handle matters in-house or go to external counsel:

- What are the drivers to take work outside? cost, time, resource, ability
- How to benchmark costs of external against in-house counsel
- Can mediation assist in cost reduction?
- When there is short term demand Is there a case to use the services of other in-house teams either within a multinational group?
- Do you get value for money by having a large in-house team?
- How to manage external legal fees and keep them under control
- How to control internal costs and improve your team's efficiency

Panel Chair: Andreas Blomquist

Senior Legal Counsel

Nasdaq, Sweden

Jukka Muhonen

Master of Laws, LL.M., MBA Director Global Business Development & Alliance

Management

Orion Corporation, Finland

General Counsel, Denmark TBA

William McKechnie

Head of Corporate Legal Sweden

If Insurance, Sweden

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Adjourn for networking dinner at Restaurant "Fem Små Hus", Nygränd 10, 111 30 Stockholm. 19:30