

# EUROPEAN PRO BONO WEEK



Join us for the opening event of this year's European Pro Bono Week, the first ever joint **European event** during European Pro Bono Week that we are proud to present on 22<sup>nd</sup> November on

## The state and future of pro bono in Europe.

Tune in to hear from **Márta Pardavi**, human rights advocate, co-chair of the Hungarian Helsinki Committee, Board Member of PILnet Hungary and winner of several awards.

We will also share information on recent pro bono surveys, research and statistics for Europe as well as examples of successful pan-European pro bono projects.

We look forward to seeing you at our event.

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## AGENDA

14.00 CET	<b>Welcome</b> Karina Fletcher Freshfields
14.05 CET	<b>In conversation with</b> Márta Pardavi, Hungarian Helsinki Committee Moderators: Helen Rogers, Allen & Overy Andrej Nosko, PILnet
14.25 CET	<b>Facts, findings and figures on pro bono in Europe</b>  Lamin Khadar, Dentons Bas Martens, Federation of European Bars Adriano Mancinelli, TrustLaw Giulia Patane, PILnet  Moderator: Amy Grunske, Orrick  Q&A Elise Perry, TrustLaw
15.25 CET	Closing remarks



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# About European Pro Bono Week 2021

From 22 to 26 November 2021, Europe will hold its third annual “European Pro Bono Week”. European Pro Week celebrates the role played by volunteer lawyers, all across Europe, in supporting civil society and promoting access to justice for those in need.

<sup>t</sup> Watch [our video on European Pro Bono Week](#) or continue to read:

During the week, on each day, events take place across the Continent – from Moscow to Dublin and Rome to Amsterdam – to highlight and promote pro bono culture.

A central objective of Pro Bono Week is to bring together various stakeholders in the pro bono ecosystem – lawyers, law students, non-profits, human rights activists, academics and business – for an engaging conversation about important issues relating to legal needs within Europe and the role for pro bono in tackling these issues.

European Pro Bono Week is co-organized by the “European Pro Bono Initiative” (comprising several international law firms), TrustLaw,

PILnet and the European Pro Bono Alliance (comprising several national pro bono clearinghouses and legal aid organizations across Europe).

## The state and future of pro bono

During European Pro Bono Week, each local event has a unique agenda, focusing on the most pressing legal needs and social issues in that city, region or country. However, this year, the overarching theme for the week is the state and future of pro bono. The past year especially has resulted in changes to the legal needs of vulnerable individuals, non-profits and social businesses in all areas, economic, social and environmental. What is the role of pro bono lawyers, collaborating with civil society, academia and business, in today’s changing world? How is each of these players affected by these changes and what is the individual and joint response? Unmet legal needs are the basis for pro bono culture and practice, so identifying where the pro bono community stands and where we are headed is a natural consequence of these developments.

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