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### **Salans Announces New Office in Brussels**

International law firm Salans today announces that it will open a new office in Brussels, Belgium, with the recruitment of a seven-person team who will join from Mayer Brown. The opening in Brussels will be Salans' 22<sup>nd</sup> office, with an effective start date of 1 March 2010.

The Brussels team will be led by partner Edward Borovikov, a recognised leading trade lawyer. The combination of his practice, which includes trade law and policy work for EU, Russian, Chinese, Turkish and US clients, with Salans' global footprint ensures that the new Brussels office will be a compelling attraction to both Salans' and the new team's clients, given the strategic importance of a Brussels presence to Salans' global competition, EU regulatory and trade practice.

Salans' Global Managing Partner, Dariusz Oleszczuk, comments, "Our new team in Brussels, headed up by Edward, fulfils the firm's recognised need to have a highly-regarded EU competition and trade practice in Brussels which meets our clients' needs from both inside and outside the EU."

"The Brussels team's experience in the EU, Russia and China in the areas of international trade and competition, and its strong contact with major corporates, governments and government agencies, provide the perfect fit for Salans in terms of its existing capabilities with its Global Competition Group, its global reach across both developed and emerging markets, and its priorities for future development."

Together with Borovikov, Rudi Leleu joins as Director of International Trade and both Bogdan Evtimov and Charles De Jager will join as Of Counsels. The new Brussels office will offer trade, customs, antitrust, regulatory and government affairs advice in multiple languages including English, French, Bulgarian, Chinese, Dutch, German, Russian and Spanish.

Salans now has 186 partners as part of 750 lawyers worldwide, globally operating from 22 offices across 17 countries.

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