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Drafting International R&D Collaboration and Joint Venture Agreements

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Ensure clear, structured, risk-free collaborative R&D and joint venture agreements for maximum commercial success in one intensive day.



Format:
Live online



CPD:
6 hours for your records



Certificate of
completion

Course overview

This intensive one-day course explains what you need to know and do to get the best commercial results from your R&D and joint venture agreements, whether they are operating in the UK or across borders.

When you are embarking on a project which is in partnership with another organisation, be they academia or industry, both parties will need to agree on the thorny topics of IP ownership, other common provisions and the type of collaboration structure that will suit them both. The allocation of risk and ancillary aspects such as confidentiality, material transfer agreements and heads of terms also have to be wrestled with.

The expert trainer covers the following key topics from a UK and international perspective:

- IP ownership and rights of use
- Sole, joint and segmented ownership and rights of use
- Competition law and the impact of Brexit
- Software agreements
- Types of party and collaboration structure
- Ancillary agreements
- Interactive case study workshop

Benefits of attending

By attending this course, you will:

- **Understand** the full extent of the project and each party's role and responsibilities
- **Appreciate** the substantial impact that intellectual property rights have upon your agreement
- **Explore** the benefits of each of the key collaboration structures and which one is the best fit for your commercial objectives
- **Understand** the most important common provisions, which you should recognise and deal with correctly
- **Recognise** the key points to consider when contracting internationally
- **Get answers** from our expert on areas of particular concern to you

Who should attend?

This course has been designed to give a comprehensive overview of R&D collaboration and JV agreements. It's applicable to all those who are new to these agreements or are looking for a refresher, including:

- In-house lawyers
- Contract managers
- Technology transfer managers
- Patent attorneys
- Private practice legal advisers
- Others who are involved in the negotiation, drafting and management of R&D and joint venture agreements

Programme

Module 1: Project nature/scope and parties' roles and responsibilities

- Contract services
- Joint R&D
- Objectives
- Contributions
- Obligations and deliverables
- Responsibility for outcome/allocation of risks

IP ownership, rights of use and other issues

- Background and types of IP
- Foreground IP
- Improvements
- Sole, joint and segmented ownership and rights of use

Module 2: Other common provisions in international contracts

- Confidentiality
- Change control provisions
- Payment arrangements
- Exclusivity and non-compete
- Avoidance of conflicts
- Acceptance arrangements
- Limitations on liability
- Termination and withdrawal
- Code of conduct
- Choice of law and jurisdiction

Competition law

- EU and UK competition law
- Key legislation
- Applying the Block Exemptions
- Risk assessment and mitigation
- The impact of Brexit on R&D and JV agreements and steps to take

Software agreements

- Scope of works
- Acceptance process
- Third-party licences
- Usual restrictions
- Maintenance and support/service levels

Module 3: Types of party and their priorities

- Commercial
- Universities
- Charities
- Funders

Types of collaboration structure

- Contractual joint venture
- Non-corporate joint venture
- Joint company

Module 4: Ancillary agreements

- Confidentiality agreements
- Material transfer agreements
- Heads of terms

Final questions

- Interactive discussions on example contracts
- Practical drafting exercises

Presenter



Richard Brady

Richard Brady is a lawyer who has spent many years working in Europe and the Middle East in the legal, financial and insurance arenas. He has a degree from Cambridge College of Teachers (2005) on Teaching English and founded the British Legal Centre in 2010. He has taught professional legal skills in many companies around the World, including Deloitte and Touche, EY, White & Case, Baker McKenzie, Shalakany Law Office, DLA Piper and Clifford Chance. He has also conducted live training courses at legal departments of corporations, including: Shell Oil, Master Foods, Air Liquide, DAMAC (Dubai), ENKA (Turkey) EMBRACO/Whirlpool (Brazil), and Mowasalat (Qatar).

His specialist areas include contract law, contract drafting, M&A in the pharma industry, arbitration law and FIDIC contracts.

Course date

13 October 2025

Live online

09:30-17:00 **UK (London)** (UTC+01)

Course code 15003

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Until 08 Sep

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Reviews



[Rebecca Attree was] very knowledgeable and approachable. Interesting case study, and [liked] the fact that the topics were discussed from a range of commercial viewpoints



John Taylor
Senior Solicitor
Grant Thornton UK LLP
Jun 7 2022



As always, when it comes to Falconbury, very well organised and tailored to the needs of today business.



Salima Fiandaca
Business Contract Manager
Helsinn Healthcare SA
Sep 16 2021



Excellent course to provide an introduction and overview of the different types of R&D and JV agreements and for the non-lawyer this provides valuable insights to support in-house discussions with external counsel. A well led course, good preparation and valuable insights - recommended.



Alex Tame
Head of Licensing & IP Management
Oxbotica
Mar 5 2020



Thank you. Everything was perfect for me – simple and clear.



Hassan Ahmad Al Dhuhoori
Legal Research Officer
Embassy of The United Arab Emirates
Feb 13 2018

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