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Introduction:

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The event will be chaired by **Pierre Hazan**, Lecturer at the University of Geneva

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If the events of the 'Arab Spring' have an enduring lesson it is this: a crucial factor of the uprisings in Tunisia and Egypt was the absence of the Rule of Law, the lack of social and economic development, the corruption of the political systems, various forms of nepotism and the unjust appropriation of goods. The aim of this round table is to shed light on the links between the social responsibility of firms, the fight against impunity and the creation of an environment conducive to the construction of the Rule of Law in transitional societies.