**Transcriptie**

16 juli 2025, 08:58a.m.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 3:53  
Hi. Hi.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 3:54  
I I've had contact with Lima and be invited in her spam, so she's now looking for it and she should be joining shortly.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 3:57  
Good.  
OK, love it and sorry and Arima is she based in Russia somewhere?

 **Ernst van Gassen** 4:14  
I I don't know.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 4:15  
Oh no.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 4:18  
Maybe she is.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 4:24  
I'm sorry, I'll just.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 4:25  
No worries.  
Yeah.  
I haven't heard from him, so I don't think that he will join. I I just invited him because he's he's there.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 4:39  
OK, I saw the message. I saw the message. He said that he he just sent it. I believe couple of minutes ago, apologising and saying that he is not able to join. I think I I saw it somewhere.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 4:42  
Take care.  
Oh.  
Oh, maybe send it privately.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 5:11  
Let me check Doctor Vim terribly sorry he sent it to you, to me and to.  
The address? NERI. Rima. I believe.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 5:24  
Oh.  
Oh, oh, wait, maybe that's on the other meal.  
Oh, no worries.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 5:33  
OK.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 5:41  
Umm.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 5:43  
And I see my note taker joint. I thought this is not the the one, not the right one. I have the trial version on my e-mail address.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 5:46  
Yeah.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 5:58  
But anyway I I think I will be able to get it.  
Or maybe not. Let me just get the right one.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 6:16  
No worries.  
Yeah.  
Lima says she will be there in about 2-3 minutes because she I only thought.  
Just like a moment ago that, oh, I didn't see Lima's invitation. So that's why it's taking a little bit longer.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 6:37  
OK, no problem.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 6:38  
My apologies for that.  
And which note taker do you now use?

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 6:44  
Fireflies. But on another account, because the the Fireflies which joined now it is connected to basically account number one. But this is a trial version and I have the full-fledged version on another account.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 6:57  
Hmm.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 7:04  
And it is just not there. So basically the programme is the same and their subscription model is slightly different.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 7:12  
Uh.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 7:13  
So this may be removed and the next one, which we'll just ask permission to join, would need to be admitted because basically this is this is a trial version. It's not like a full-fledged.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 7:24  
Yes.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 7:29  
So this one Academy, so Academy, please keep Academy and you can remove the the guest.  
The The No take care of stamp. It can be removed and don't don't take care of Academy. Let let it stay.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 7:44  
Yes.  
I'll take Rushtam then out of the chat.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 7:49  
Yeah, just do not indicate the rules violation because then it will be kind of finished because in in zoom when you take some somebody out of the chat, you can also click the the rules violation of some of.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 8:04  
Oh, yeah. No, that's that's not the case. It's just the removed from meeting.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 8:06  
I'm good.  
OK.  
I'm yet to sign this this paper which you sent kindly send, but I I paid. I paid the contribution fee at least.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 8:25  
That's good. I I I haven't checked, but I'll I'll have to send the the mailing for the contribution fee as well because there was a small miscommunication in the.  
Well, there's not a lot of communication in the current board. That's why we started to, we amend the Ruth, of course the started this whole whole thing up and I'll send the the other the mail for the other to the other soon as well about the.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 8:55  
Yeah.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 8:58  
Yeah.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 9:00  
OK.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 9:01  
Contribution fee.  
And I also just thought it was just good to have a meeting with everyone, at least with with Lima, just to. Otherwise there's also just too much information and talk over the mail.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 9:22  
Yeah, it's it's. Well, sometimes it's difficult to follow all these responses and attachments. I understood there were at least two documents circulating. So I saw your draught.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 9:36  
Mm hmm.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 9:37  
I understood they're also so draught of either Luke Miller or Rima and I didn't go through this one yet.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 9:48  
Yeah, there. Yeah, there are three documents, one letter from Ludmila in Russian, the one that I forwarded the meeting agenda and those just to keep somewhat of a structure of what hasn't has not been discussed and.  
Lima also, but that's a very long document, like of sources like for the website. Some input like what are some sources for Russian law where you can you find like put off the dot touch Kalu and like for the different.  
Like all Russian lawyers association, stuff like that, that information that we can put on the website as the current website is quite outdated and hasn't been updated in basically since.  
The 2018.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 10:42  
OK. But there was some discussion about some political statements I didn't really visit.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 10:48  
Well, the previous board found it fitting to make a post about.  
The passing of Navalny and also about the situation in Ukraine and this board is a bit doesn't really find that appropriate and that's why also like the.  
Yeah.  
That one message was also taken down and also when the website will be refurbished and redone also that will be removed.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 11:25  
OK, I see Dutch Russian law association.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 11:28  
Yeah, with the flag. You see it already there like also the what?

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 11:34  
Thanks.  
And no meeting St. Petersburg time. Fine.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 11:41  
Yeah, it's already quite old. Also a lot of those messages. And I think that Emma is also joining us.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 11:47  
OK.  
OK.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 11:51  
But yeah, the the website will also be have to be taken down and.  
Made from the ground up again, basically, I think that's the best way to do it. And Lima, you're still on on mute and your camera. There you go. You're still on mute, so we can't hear you yet.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 12:04  
OK.  
Rima, your mic is off. We cannot hear you. Microphone is switched off.

 **Rimma** 12:22  
I I see I see. OK now, OK.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 12:24  
OK, excellent. So now now we can hear you.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 12:28  
Yes, just for housekeeping matters. My risk in the origin had a show, so if we could have the meeting in English, that would be very much appreciated because then I can follow the conversation along.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 12:43  
OK.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 12:46  
Thank you all for your time and for joining. I well this is the first time at least the Lima and I meet. And I also think Lushtam and Lima. It's also the first time you meet. So maybe a very short introduction from everybody so that everybody knows who's who.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 12:57  
Yeah.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 13:03  
I'm currently the Co chair and treasurer of the DRLAI have a tax law background and I'm working as a tax advisor in my day-to-day job and my connection to Russia is also familiar because my wife.  
From from Moscow.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 13:24  
OK, I'm also lawyer. I have international taxation technical focus. I'm based in the Netherlands. I came here from Russia about 25 years ago and I'm both pretty much enthusiastic about being invoked.  
In this venture.  
Well, that's briefing intro for my side.

 **Rimma** 13:52  
Yeah, really, I just in preparing of this meeting, I show some information about through some thank you. It was very interesting and I am a representative of them.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 14:00  
OK.

 **Rimma** 14:09  
Russian State University of Justice, North North Branch my head is Yaroslav, but now I'm on a long vacation because of my children and that's why I just.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 14:13  
Mm hmm.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 14:14  
It's.

 **Rimma** 14:26  
I would say I'm kind of freelance and that's why I have more universal legal practise and then before, because educational moments in legal.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 14:29  
Thank you.  
OK.

 **Rimma** 14:42  
Practise and now it's quite difference and that's why I also move through the Russia and now I'm in the middle of Russia. I'm in Lt region and that's why we have such a big.  
Difference in our time zone.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 15:00  
OK.

 **Rimma** 15:03  
Yes and OK.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 15:04  
I. Please go ahead. Sorry. Sorry for interrupting. I I thought you finished.

 **Rimma** 15:10  
And I have a candidate diploma. Would say that yes, because of our difference in educational moments, it's not PhD, so it's called and I don't know.  
Correctly to translate it how? As a candidate of legal science, science and.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 15:37  
Hmm.

 **Rimma** 15:39  
But it was in fear of prosecutors activity because the most spirit of my legal practise it was prosecutor's office. Yes, I was a prosecutor and after that?  
Umm.  
I learned how it could be and how it must be and understand OK, such a big difference how it's how it is and how it should be in theoretical moments. And that's why I just decided to change my activity.  
To science and educational sphere. But now I just I save some contacts and everything with my colleagues. That's why we're preparing documents for established.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 16:22  
Mm hmm.

 **Rimma** 16:35  
It's it's our Dream Prosecutors Association of Russia and moreover, I'm just, I'm still an individual member of International Association of Prosecutors.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 16:50  
Mm hmm.

 **Rimma** 16:50  
I would say that they are my my high points because I saw how it could be and how can be organised different meetings, attitude to activity and.  
It's for me. It's just a big experience. Yeah, so little. Any questions. And every time I can answer show something. Fine. Some because I have.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 17:11  
Mm hmm.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 17:14  
OK.

 **Rimma** 17:23  
Absolutely. For components of grant system, yes. And I just try to help also to Ruth with his dissertation and I hope it will be successful at all.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 17:40  
OK.  
Well, that's great. That's great. And Rima, may I ask you, you mentioned you're in Altai right now, are you just travelling for vacation or you're more or less permanently based there? Just to understand the time difference etcetera.

 **Rimma** 17:56  
Well, it's my home region. Yes. And for this vacation, big time vacation in three years, I can move for through the whole rush and we just.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 18:00  
OK.

 **Rimma** 18:12  
About half a year or work in Saint Petersburg, and it's the hometown of my house. Now we are in Lt with my relatives.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 18:17  
Mm hmm.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 18:21  
Hmm.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 18:27  
OK.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 18:27  
Hmm.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 18:29  
That's great.

 **Rimma** 18:29  
And next week we are going to be in because of our court meeting. Yes, we have some meeting there. It's also interesting.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 18:38  
No.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 18:43  
OK, great. And if I may ask another question, why you're interested in Dutch developments? So did you study here or you just met some good people, so to to understand basically what could be the points for?  
I maybe not the the the first person to ask what is that connection be gradually just to understand where we can have synergies.

 **Rimma** 19:03  
Aye.  
Yes, it look like so far from being, but much here he is the director of the.  
North, North, Northwestern branch of the state.  
Russian State, University of Justice and first of all, it was his idea to make a connection with the there are because establishment and people involved in this activity or in this.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 19:37  
OK.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 19:45  
Oh.

 **Rimma** 19:52  
Saint Petersburg at that moment I also found this position in the university and we discussed some moments. So and.  
Prepare a lot of documents. We tried to make some interaction with the university. Officially. Yes, it was before the very, very moment in our politics and.  
Also, we met Ludwilla and Ruth in the Netherlands during our visit and visited Dutch training centre for.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 20:32  
Mm hmm.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 20:32  
Hmm.  
Great.

 **Rimma** 20:42  
Court system yes for all judges and prosecutors. And it was a lot of moments that I could compare because of my post graduate studying. I was also as as the same structure it was now called University of Prosecutors. Yeah, of Russian prosecutors.  
And also I have understanding about these structures principles and aims targets everything and it was so so interesting. Plus let me know she was very cute positive with the.  
And we also might a lot of times in Russia after that, but then everything was changed and I I really appreciate people who save contact with.  
Me after after appearing my children because with Mila and Ruth they stayed with me and morally helps me. That's why ever since they they need everything they want. I just opened for that.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 21:44  
OK.  
Good.  
OK, great.

 **Rimma** 22:04  
Mm hmm.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 22:07  
Oh, we have this brief mission.

 **Rimma** 22:07  
And about she's all. She's also open to, to communication, and now he is also a candidate of legal science. But in judicial sphere, yes.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 22:25  
Mm hmm.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 22:25  
Mm hmm.

 **Rimma** 22:27  
I would say that his dissertation name was some moments of the chairman of the court. Yes, the legal status of the chairman of the court is also interesting.  
Issue in Russia because they absolutely unique I would say.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 22:51  
Mm hmm.

 **Rimma** 22:52  
And really, I just think that at times, interaction between the and all university, our other structures could be built in the.  
Do our interests, Dutch and Russian? Of course, all of us. I mean, we tried to write science articles, scientific articles, and we tried to issue some moments, some.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 23:11  
Mm hmm.

 **Rimma** 23:27  
Interesting. We're we are trying to find everything for our development and to share it with our students, children, other colleagues, it it's necessary for people who don't want to.  
Be just only stuff.  
OK.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 23:52  
Good.  
So should we go through the agenda?

 **Ernst van Gassen** 23:56  
Good.  
Yes. So the agenda was like A2 main things, just to give everybody an update of what has been discussed with the previous boards or this board and some suggestions.  
So like the updates is just quick, we decided to go to go Dutch and bank instead of ING after they have implemented the payment feature of payment links because it's.  
€10 per month cheaper and as a association. That is a lot of money we have discussed potentially getting a consultant plus subscription and also with Catalans. But The thing is.  
The two things, but what the main thing is what we as a board want to prevent is.  
Problems with copyrights because there was a plan to make a digital library already in 2018, but that never came to be because of copyright issues, because you can share books and you can have multiple books in the physical space. But if you have apdf it is a single person licence.  
And if you want to have the licence organisation, it's also going to be a lot more expensive. So as we are in association of lawyers, we do want to keep everything by the books, especially with with copyright so.  
That is also the bridge 2.4 just also a bit of information of what we've been up to. Basically lectures recording lectures of Dutch professors is not going to be possible because all professors have said no.  
It's too long ago and Feldberg also considering his ripe age of 92, says that he prefers to spend the rest of his days on this Earth finishing his life's work of now the.  
Law in the caucus region and and we also said like it's just too long ago, too much exchange in those ten years. So I I propose exploring cooperation with open youdo.ru.  
It is like the Coursera if a Russian maybe see if they're open after reconstruction of the website that we can translate courses of theirs in in, in, in English and and see if.  
Corporations possible there also with the knowledge base it has to be either copyright free or under creative common licence which allows free sharing. And we also discussed translations but.  
I guess that's not really a a main goal of the association at this moment, because the laws change a lot and we can't pay.  
People for for translating this. And there's also the guideline system. So I I think that can also be scratched. And I think the main point of this meeting, I would like to discuss also with what we discussed earlier with RUSHTAM about.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 27:18  
You can.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 27:18  
Extending the cooperation beyond purely Russian, also maybe potentially including other former Soviet States and just discuss like how the website should look like, what should be there like should there be a forum? Should there be?  
Just to get a bit of ideas on the table for that.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 27:43  
Well, maybe the first question to ask. What is the strategic goal as we understand it now, what is the target audience? So are we interested to expand the contact base?  
In Russia, in other former Soviet Union states, whether we are going to target also non Dutch lawyers interested in this region, so maybe you will explain because you.  
You're in contact with the previous board and you have your own ideas, like where we are going to be in five years from now. So what? What is the the goal strategic goal of this association?

 **Ernst van Gassen** 28:35  
In short, what was discussed is that the main language of the association is English because it's easier both for the Russian and Dutch speakers to communicate in English rather than in Dutch or in Russian.  
And because of that, the.  
International aspect is also a lot easier to get reached because we also have some Members in in Poland and the Baltic States, and also because now the lecture themes are going more into.

 **Rimma** 28:55  
None.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 29:03  
OK.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 29:10  
The history and until well relatively recently the Russian Empire and the successor of that of the Soviet Union until 19 in very far the 1990s.  
Yeah.  
Is is is there so also with the current fact of of how the political stances is, maybe it's it's also worthwhile to not exclusively like have strategic, just the the dialogue between Russia and the Netherlands.  
But not exclude also the fact that a lot of civil law in in Kazakhstan is probably also influenced by Soviet Union law and before that of the Russian Empire and and the same is for the the the countries now in the caucus reason like.  
Armenia and Georgia?  
So I I think that while the.  
Like the main focus should now just be to get some movement, but that we should also include those those countries as they also have a very large shared history with with Russia.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 30:25  
In this respect, if we speak with, let's say, Kazakh lawyers or let's say Armenian lawyers and say, hey guys come to Dutch Russian Law association, that's it. What? How do we get this? And you mentioned the the lectures you mentioned.  
Like connecting the bridges.  
I have experience of building some, not really a trans transnational, but rather professional organisations. For example in Kazakhstan we launched professional or association of text lawyers.  
And the the first question is who is the target audience? Basically who we want to have there and the the second question is what is interesting for this audience? That's why I asked this question who we want to have within this association.  
Like a Dutch lawyers dealing with Eastern Europe, Dutch and non Dutch lawyers or basically everyone from both sides and on the basis of this, let's say defining the target audience.  
We can build up the the focus priorities, let's say in our activities because I I can imagine if we are focusing on Dutch professional segment, most likely the the Dutch local news might be not really because they they know it already.  
But if we also involve businesses from Russia, Kazakhstan, etcetera, yeah, for them it will be interesting. What are the tax developments? What is the case law on the Dutch side and likewise those guys they might supply us with some interesting updates.  
Its reviews recently. For example, there were really interesting cases in Kazakhstan on international tax treaties, so we can gather all this information, place it in some sections of the website. But the key question is.  
What do we want to achieve that. That's why I asked where you would see these organisations in about 5 years time from now and it will pretty much define what do we do for the strategy for the tactics.  
Yeah.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 32:56  
And yes, Lima, what's your take on on this also because you've talked with Ludmila?

 **Rimma** 33:01  
None.  
Well, I can only share my opinion too because of maybe on the other side. First of all, when we discussed this question, yes, this points with Misha.  
My respect to him, absolutely it was first of all common roots, Russian and Dutch and even for him it was the history of his family and in Russia also have such families with relatives from.  
The Netherlands and in the Netherlands we have some relatives from Russia and first of all, for us it was family position. Yeah, it was our root. It was our.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 33:52  
OK.

 **Rimma** 33:55  
Values as nation. Nation. Yeah, it was first second. It was comparing our legislation because the way of development.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 33:59  
Mm hmm.

 **Rimma** 34:10  
Legislation in the Netherlands and Russia have some advantages and disadvantages. Yes, something in common and something in different, and for science scientific researchers for people who want to.  
None.  
Look it better and to find a different moment in their personal research. It was very, very interesting. And even now my friends, researchers, they're going to.  
Publish articles, books, other other moments, and to read lectures, have seminars, etcetera in order to share the.  
The result of the comparison of their research and the first of all, we're from educational sphere. Yeah, it was positive for us to share this knowledge and to share these values different values. It's the.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 35:11  
Mm hmm.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 35:11  
Mm hmm.

 **Rimma** 35:20  
With our children, students with our school students, university students with lawyers. But first of all, them.  
Crucial moment? It was not all lawyers just for me. We have an association of lawyers in Russia is I don't like this station and I even I'm not a Member of this station.  
No opportunity, no, no wish to be a part of them. But to make connection with the association according to court system prosecutors and judges.  
My parents are judges and in most our I'm a prosecutor and my mom was a prosecutor before she became a judges. Judge and my colleagues, most of them now judges.  
Other prosecutors, and we understand how it's necessary for us to develop this system, but we have two different systems now, yes, and prosecution system and court system prosecutors just.  
Not in the court system in Russia now, and the courses of preparing and training judges and prosecutors in the Netherlands was just I was shocked. It was so interesting. It was another way of preparing.  
Absolutely. In other approaches in the train method, in sharing the experience and event, we have different different judges and different persecutors.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 37:05  
Yeah.

 **Rimma** 37:22  
It's it's very, very interesting. And from this position, Misha, that that is also was important. That's why we found the the most interesting topic topic for our discussion is ethics.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 37:22  
Mm hmm.

 **Rimma** 37:39  
Yes, it it's behavioural, moral aspects, professional aspects for judges and prosecutors, and even my dissertation called.  
As priorities of prosecutor's activity? Yes. Well, it was necessary that about 10 years ago, it was so important. That's why we just look at these.  
Auditorium, our students. Yes. Students. Dutch, Russian. Dutch students. Yes, Russian, Dutch lawyers, but mostly charges and prosecutors.  
Because in Russia to be lawyer, it's it include includes to be judged them, notary persecuted, etcetera. First of all, we are lawyers.  
Yes, our background floors, our low education and this.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 38:48  
Mm hmm.

 **Rimma** 38:56  
This difference could make for us a big sphere for researchers, for communication and for interaction.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 39:11  
OK. So mainly scientific echo collaboration, scientific exchange of thoughts. Well, that's that's clear, perfectly make sense.  
Good. May I ask you what, what is your vision? What is your?

 **Ernst van Gassen** 39:28  
Umm.  
Yeah.  
Well, for a very simple reason, academic discussions discourse are, I think, also very much needed and also a lot, you know, just safer grounds.  
To build just.  
So my my take on the drla is that indeed was a network that has been formalised and and now basically it it is time to make it.  
Open to a larger group of of interested people, and in that regard also with Lima's history. It might also just be better to focus on on the topics that are more of an academic nature.  
Because I think also in general it will be easier to cooperate with universities both here in the Netherlands and and in Russia. We also have a mutual acquaintance from Kutafen University, Mikhail.  
Rushdam and I'm with also expressed interest. I also have some acquaintances that know people again in in Russia with with associations.  
Umm.  
That that will be the easiest way to also just get started with formalising things and from there on where there are overlaps between, for example other countries, for example Kazakhstan or with other.  
Former of Belarus, for example, because of historical reasons that, well, maybe we have special lectures, but indeed maybe just have the focus first on on the Dutch Russian aspects.  
And also maybe more also the the academic part because it's a bit more politically safe subjects to talk about.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 41:32  
Mm hmm.

 **Rimma** 41:34  
Just a moment, a long years ago, we have Matro grant programme and Arkady Gutnika. He is also in the Advisory Board of Federal Law.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 41:35  
OK.

 **Rimma** 41:50  
He make a lot of meeting conversation, publishing, etcetera. Using this much a programme. If you remember now.  
It was the programme of them, of the Netherlands, first of all, and they the rule of law, as they just.  
Grant some initiative initiatives in the rule of law between the Netherlands and the Russians.  
And establish his university. Yet his educational structure, in order to making these comparison and giving our students possibility to communicate. And.  
This team.  
20/20/19 I would say it was the lecture of the Nisha and his colleagues about the ICC International Crime Criminal Court matters because it was his.  
Interest. Yeah. And even in Russia, it was a very we we had a very positive fraction. I understand that for Russia, this Court is not.  
Not so close, but.  
For example, the daughter of the chief of the university, and now she has another position. She works in the sports and it's absolutely.  
Positive and our our students, our lawyers are going to study these moments and to issue something.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 43:57  
Yeah.  
OK.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 44:02  
And that also reminds me of the conversation that we had also continuing on that with Professor Feldbrook of last week, basically also the largest knowledge base of Russian law outside of Russia is currently in English in at the university title later.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 44:20  
Thank you.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 44:21  
And they currently don't have a European law department anymore. So I do think it's also worthwhile just to try to find what we can in those archives and make that public.  
Because a lot also is in German and not a lot of people speak German these days.

 **Rimma** 44:34  
Well.  
Oh well, if I remember correctly, he's she of interest corporal, right?  
Professor Phil broker. He's studying now and interesting in caucus law.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 44:57  
Yeah, yeah, he's currently working on that, yes.

 **Rimma** 44:58  
And that's that's the for example. Yes, a France persecutors and academical France in the Dagestan, yes, mukashkawa. And they open really. And it's also interesting even for me.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 45:09  
Mm hmm.

 **Rimma** 45:17  
Because they're different.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 45:17  
Yeah.  
Yeah, this is, but it's the he does for the historical part, so.  
He now is doing his research is I have to translate it to English at one moment. So basically, when Russia started to expand its territory in the the 18th, 19th century to include the caucus region.  
They had laws in place like like.  
The laws, which are just in words and during that time, Russia said you can have your own laws, that's for sure. But on the one condition and that's you write them down. So for that reason it's.  
It's quite interesting because not a lot of research has been done on that, and also because he said that it's it's quite unique for the fact that it's actually still that it was written down and that it was still recorded. So it's it's really that historical period.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 46:25  
Mm hmm.

 **Rimma** 46:26  
And I I I understand the Ludmila because she said, OK, she's three and Sarah floor is beginning. It's very, very important. But to my mind it's quite hard.  
To start activity of the from the creating something new, new product everything. But we can use possibilities and opportunities of our Members. Why not?

 **Ernst van Gassen** 46:57  
Yeah. Yeah, I think that's the best. The easier way, yeah.

 **Rimma** 46:59  
It's easier and it's better for our members.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 47:05  
Yeah.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 47:07  
Mm hmm.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 47:07  
No, I I fully agree with the fact that it's it's a lot easier to use the the the resources of our members rather than to start something from scratch. But it's also that like for example with Professor Fellbrook and and with Professor Timmermans. And they also say like.  
Well, our capacity is limited for for three months professional months, he said that well, the last 10 years, the last time I looked at it seriously was 10 years ago and after that a lot changed and and I focused on on being an arbiter and my legal practise.  
So maybe from your side, maybe you have acquaintances in in Russia that could maybe furnish some some lecture or lecture topics because on on on really the Dutch side.  
That's difficult. Well, Ruth wants to after after his PhD is is published. But until then, at least from the professor sides, I I don't really see a candidate for for lectures.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 48:06  
Yeah.  
OK.

 **Rimma** 48:17  
Why not?

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 48:17  
Well, while Rima thinks about possible options, could you explain a bit more as the what kind of lectures are required? Because I will.  
Show you one of the projects, which I'm pretty well deeply involved and we run lots of lectures on different topics. Of course this is not really academic stuff, but basically there is a.  
Well, you mentioned the analogy of Coursera, so I I have my own Coursera in partnership with another guy which is called Bebs Academy. I might mention this.  
And we have lots of different experts and delivering lectures on different topics and this is let me select, I can quickly get. Of course this is mainly about taxations of this, there's international taxation stuff.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 49:18  
Mm hmm.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 49:20  
And we have Victor Machican very, very well known guy. We have transfer pricing, guy, we have CFC, we have cryptocurrency. We have in context.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 49:23  
Yeah.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 49:37  
But they're all practical, so this is not about, like history or not about the the academic overview. This is straight to the point that the changes in income taxation were this and this and this, and you need to do this and this and this.  
So this type of speakers I can bring you in both. This is basically what I do on regular basis for the last five years. If you need more academic stuff, of course we can also speak with with professors, real professors. Then I would rather need to know.  
What? What is the interest and this can be done not only on because you see here Kazakhstan was big stand we had something on Belarus. So if this may be of use and we we wrap it wrap this up in.  
To do electronic books, for example, text international taxation in Kazakhstan, this is no rather functional head of text artificial intelligence. My one of my favourite topics.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 50:50  
Yeah.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 50:50  
So I have already basically platform which runs this type of activities. So it is the question what is the the target?  
Uh.  
Agenda.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 51:07  
The original idea of mine was to have a lecture series on Russian law in English from also a more academic perspective as I had hoped that the the, the, the professors would be able to contribute to that.  
Well, that basically did not practically not not possible, and now that was also one of the discussion points. Like what type of lectures are we going to do?  
And I think maybe also just a mix of of practical and and and more academic things is is maybe just a good balance because in the end you will attract more people to the practical parts.  
And the academic parts are more for interested student and academics, and that group is by by definition smaller.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 52:05  
Hmm.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 52:09  
I don't know what what the Emma and and did you discuss this also in more detail with with Ludmila?

 **Rimma** 52:17  
The Miller said that our first target is a website is changing our political approach and only after making space we can do it.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 52:29  
Yeah.

 **Rimma** 52:32  
Other point?

 **Ernst van Gassen** 52:36  
Yeah, I I will. Well, I view I'm the only one together with Mike the the secretary of of the board that has access to the website. So I'm I'm at this point in time the only one that that can actually that will take some time to to do that.  
And for that also, just like a quick question.  
What then? Also the question of like also very accurately described this like how are we going to market in that sense the website so.  
I I think in this case more to Russian Dutch speakers, I mean Russian and Dutch lawyers and and in in this legal practise from a more academical.  
Perspective and and then add the resource list that you included in the mail as just a base to to fill the website and then see how we can add maybe community forums.  
If if that's a good addition, and maybe also indeed start a lecture series and also record them so that knowledge is also kept because one of the issues that we are running into is, is the fact that there's quite some knowledge either in light of university.  
The archives or impersonal archives of the professors, but just notes.  
Publicly or normally accessible.

 **Rimma** 54:19  
Well, I agree absolutely with you that it's better to create first the image of the derola and then to make the website under this image. I agree absolutely and.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 54:30  
Yeah, because you have your chicken egg story.

 **Rimma** 54:36  
Yes, and then it will be easier to understand the auditorium. The tag is the positive moments, negative moments and making some discussion with practical lawyers here, as was Sam said, and maybe professors.  
And other educational moment, why not? And now I think it's the question who can just marked sign this image of the drawer.  
Because I see that, first of all, it's very important structure for rules, yes. And he interested in the Dera. Absolutely. For him it's.  
As I see, it's like a child here and everything is energy. He spent to this association. It's very, very important. But also he's very busy. Maybe it's better to create.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 55:28  
Mm hmm.

 **Rimma** 55:44  
Yes, I just, I just wasn't a cheap assistant. Some period of my time, my job, and maybe we can create some variants of the image of the dharala.  
And after that he can choose the most convenient.  
And then we will move in this in this direction.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 56:13  
Uh.

 **Rimma** 56:14  
It's just.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 56:17  
Yes, of course I do. Think we have to involve Ruth and and Ludmila and that of course.  
So basically summing up the the image idea would be to focus more now on on the academic parts on on the educational part.  
And then also take into account the fact that education is very important, yet what most people are going to be interested in is like the the practical how it's on the ground, how it works out.  
Stuff and basically just start from that.  
From the point of view of of first like get the basis in order of this like make.  
Dutch law and in English accessible and also on the other hand, sources on Russian law in English.  
And from that part, academics education and then practical, and then move to the to include other countries where there are ties, for example.  
Every at least my guess is that most post Soviet or former Soviet Union states still have a lot of Soviet law stamps in in their law books. Yes, basically, for for historical reasons that that hasn't changed a lot in the past 2530 years.

 **Rimma** 57:54  
Yeah.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 58:02  
I think that would be the best and fastest approach to get something live and then just see.  
If, for example, community forums is going to be in addition, yes or no, or how to structure the the lecture series.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 58:20  
Thank you.

 **Rimma** 58:22  
Yes, but in Douglas first step it making this website out of because now all all, all people.  
I can see these marks, populations, etcetera that can.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 58:40  
Hello.

 **Rimma** 58:47  
It can be not so sensitive for the for the assault, for the attitude, and it makes our good ideas and good steps in a bad way. We have no support.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 58:50  
Yes.  
Yes, I.  
I think I will start taking down the the the websites blog posts.

 **Rimma** 59:06  
Maybe that's why.  
Before.  
Yeah, maybe that's why for the Miller, it is important even now, just to close everything and then create something new. You positive with salmon flower?

 **Ernst van Gassen** 59:20  
Yeah.  
Yes.

 **Rimma** 59:28  
None.  
Maybe it's first step.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 59:31  
I'll. I'll see that that.  
I I I do agree.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 59:40  
You know what I'm doing? What I'm doing now? I'm just playing with clothes. I'm trying to create the sample of the website. It takes some time. Couple of minutes maybe I'll show you. But creating website is not really a big deal.  
So now you can just tell the system do this, then just upload this HTML code. But I I think everyone is agreed that it should not be political because at present, if I look at this even for me it's pretty toxic if I if but not because I like or do not like her.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 59:59  
No.  
Yeah.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:00:18  
Particular stance on this matter just because it's criminal in, in, in Russia, it is possible to get criminal sentence for some statements which on this website and being affiliated with this organisation may be pretty more hard choice for for Russians.  
If we want to have many participants from them, so I would just make it neutral completely.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:00:43  
Yeah, I yeah. Yeah. No, I I, I actually go to one of those from from a lawyer in, in, in Russia. But I I reached out before I had a look at the website and he looked at the website before I did and.

 **Rimma** 1:01:08  
Yeah.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:01:09  
That he was very polite. But I do think that.  
Today I should find some time to to take it down. At least the block articles and and then the rest of the website as well, so that we can have a fresh start.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:01:24  
So this is sorry for interacting Karina, please go ahead.

 **Rimma** 1:01:24  
And.  
Just that small moment about Russian members. We have problem with membership pay. Membership payment? Yes, because it's our special bank system.  
And now it is. We have an opportunity for Russians to create bank cards of Georgia, Serbia, etcetera. Yeah. And it could be made.  
In this in distance, but we stopped this problem. Yeah, when functions appeared we could pay our membership payment.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:02:08  
Mm hmm.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:02:19  
Mm hmm.

 **Rimma** 1:02:23  
And it was the big problem because we understand if you're member of any organisation, you have some duties and recipe and duties and it's very important to feel free for yourself that you're not have any.  
You you can pay. Yes, it's just like freedom. And this way we can also make a possibility to pay this membership fee.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:02:52  
1.

 **Rimma** 1:03:02  
The website, even for Russians, but that's this message, I think. How?

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:03:11  
OK, well I I do not know how it can work in practise, simply because in Russia there is. You mean that we can make the link for Russians with George and Kazakh etcetera.  
Cards, but I think if there is a the the there is no need to make special link for this. If there is a link for payment of membership fees then anyone can Dutch, Russians whoever with the foreign cards but.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:03:45  
Yeah.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:03:46  
But what about the membership fees? It can be collected within Russia because I understand there would be expenses on the Russian side, for example, payment for this consultant or grant and well, I do not know because I did not make any research.

 **Rimma** 1:03:48  
Aye.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:04:03  
But considering the amounts are not this significant, I I think maybe would be a couple of 100 of EUR we can offset it so I can maybe get this money on my Russian account and pay here in euros. So this can be dealt with pretty easily.

 **Rimma** 1:04:19  
About five years ago. Yeah. In the beginning of this version.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:04:22  
Yeah.

 **Rimma** 1:04:27  
Told us about some variants of solving this problem, but unfortunately nothing was done.  
I'm just, maybe I'm honest, but so it is now we can't pay.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:04:37  
OK.  
Well, I would just.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:04:46  
Well, I I do think that now there are possibilities because now I know for example I can order a Russian card from me privately. Now these days like there are now new possibilities like I know that a lot of Russians have now foreign.  
Former Soviet Union cards. Nowadays I can also get Russian cards as non residents so.  
I think the practical problems are now a lot.  
Easier to be solved.

 **Rimma** 1:05:23  
But it's been done.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:05:23  
OK.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:05:25  
Yeah, yeah, of course. It still has to be done. Yes, yes, yes, that's that's .1. But I I haven't looked into that and we should or rather I will just have a look at that as well.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:05:39  
Well, I believe we discussed quite a number of important points and we have more or less like common understanding in which direction we would like to move. It might make sense to make some adjustments to the general plan in accordance with topics raised.  
And we'll just make a plan out of this.  
I can share the recording this 5 lines, it will be just transcribe of what we discussed there. Although I'm just thinking out loud now, it might be but. But anyway, so there will be transcription one way or another.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:06:05  
Yeah.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:06:19  
And let's let's make a plan in terms of current members. So I understand that these are three of us. Vim is joining when he can. Ludmila also participating. I understand, Ruth, this is husband of Ludmila. Right. Ruth. Sorry for.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:06:37  
Yeah.

 **Rimma** 1:06:38  
Yeah.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:06:40  
So the basically we're about 5 persons, 5-6 persons by now or then more.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:06:46  
These this is like I called it the steering group for a reason. So these are the steering group and like the total amount is.  
Umm.  
About quite a few like 40 people on the mailing list and the member list. Let me just quickly open it up.  
Is there are 45? There were 45 members. I will be sending the.  
Would you call it the payment request for for FY25 soon? But just generally it is about 90% people living in the Netherlands and about 10% people from.  
From Russia.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:07:45  
OK.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:07:46  
But it includes like also what you've I don't know if you know user link.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:07:56  
Your link, your link shrinkman. Yeah, and and little bit like that. OK.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:07:58  
It's a.  
Yeah, that one. Yeah. Like the former House of Lawyer. He is also a member, I believe, also Saint Petersburg Dutch based lawyer. I forgot his name, Van Dyne. Evo van Dyne is also.  
He's he's on the mailing list. He's not a member, but I know him personally as well. I've also met him, so maybe also just contact them personally, for if they could be interested in holding a lecture on something.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:08:31  
MMM.  
Absolutely. Absolutely because.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:08:33  
For for the, for the practical parts.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:08:36  
Yeah, I remember there were quite interesting comments of this Saint Petersburg guy he was writing got on LinkedIn. So very, very, very practical. Look at some Russian developments. And Ludovic is also active in Kazakhstan at present.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:08:43  
Yeah, exactly for that reason.  
Yeah.  
Mm hmm.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:08:55  
So he can. Yeah. Well, I'm sure they can contribute with very interesting insights. Yeah. Great idea to involve more practical, practical lawyers in delivering some updates.

 **Rimma** 1:09:10  
Well, just one more idea, maybe I have many ideas and these are very hard to discuss. But for example, our University of Justice, we also has a lot of professors and practical lawyers.  
In order to discuss different spheres of law, Russian law, but we have one interesting problem. I would say that not all these professors can speak.  
English enough to make a lecture seminar or to share their ideas without a translator.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:09:53  
Mm hmm.

 **Rimma** 1:09:55  
Even your maybe now he's English better, but I'm not sure that's very better because of our maybe intelligence. Maybe anything else, but without any.  
Real necessity we will never learn some extra in our life and we don't use the English, German, Spanish, other languages in our ordinary life.  
Yes, we have a lot of practise and you can you can share it with me and that's why even in English to communication, I've had the putting of.  
Make his make his lectures with Dash and Russian professors with translator. But maybe it's better to train or prepare some professors and future professors with.  
English background English language background, yes, maybe even Dutch language background. Why not? You're interested in Dutch course for Russian etcetera, but language also.  
That would say a problem.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:11:20  
I.  
E.

 **Rimma** 1:11:21  
Yeah.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:11:22  
To to just address that two things like I've I know someone willing to create a Dutch language course for Russian speakers for the drla, although English.  
I guess would be more more logical and second of all I think for language barriers we either have to work with indeed a translator or just record and transcribe the lectures and then just share the translated transcript.  
I think in these days.  
That that language should not be there anyhow, like we can practically solve that through various ways.  
Because I also understand that it it's going to be more difficult, it's going to be a lot easier to transcribe and translate a lecture than train a professor to have his or her level of English sufficiently enough to hold a lecture in English.

 **Rimma** 1:12:12  
Yes.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:12:26  
From a practical point of view.

 **Rimma** 1:12:27  
Yeah.  
Just just the moment that at the moment you just call for Professor for a special topic with English language knowledge. It will be very, very interesting philtre.  
Yes. And maybe the professor or will be not so famous or not so trained. Maybe so very young because of his language, but with the bad legal experience, etcetera.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:12:59  
OK.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:12:59  
Yeah.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:13:01  
OK, good. So I I think it was a very fruitful discussion. So thank you very much arim. I think very much, Ernst. So we need to just wrap it up. I will share, we didn't create a WhatsApp or some some telegram group yet right for for our internal communication.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:13:07  
Mm hmm.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:13:20  
From the case it might be, would you mind remark to be added to such a WhatsApp or telegram group?

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:13:28  
Ruth and Ludmila don't have telegram, so would it be a problem to do a WhatsApp group?

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:13:34  
WhatsApp is also fine. It's technically it's technically less advanced because Telegram allows more well sharing files of a bigger size etcetera. But as the first starting point, why? Why don't we do it in a WhatsApp? So this should not be a problem.

 **Rimma** 1:13:36  
Oh.  
We say that only the Miller use WhatsApp with the communication with me, yes. And if I want to speak with room, I have just do it through the account of the Miller.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:14:05  
Yeah.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:14:06  
OK.

 **Rimma** 1:14:07  
And that's why I think that telegram and give us more opportunities to share into communication, just to make some topics, etcetera. It's very comfortable and.  
It's common in Russia, absolutely normal. I saw that. We also have some Russian message to Max, but nobody use it now. Telegram is OK. And then maybe our Member so interested people could.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:14:26  
Yeah.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:14:33  
OK.

 **Rimma** 1:14:42  
Join this telegram channel or Telegram group. Doesn't matter. Has different aims just of this and then it can be developed more and more. Just step by step.

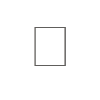
 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:14:58  
Yeah. Then I as I have both of your numbers, I will then make a new group.  
Just thought we can contact maybe a bit more easier.  
And then we can indeed maybe make a channel afterwards for other people to join, but just that we can contact through another medium than than meal.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:15:25  
OK, OK, excellent. Well, thank you very much. Thank you very much. So it was great conversation.

 **Ernst van Gassen** 1:15:30  
Yes.  
Thank you for your time.

 **Rimma** 1:15:34  
OK.

 **Roustam Vakhitov** 1:15:34  
Thanks. Thanks, bye.

 **Ernst van Gassen** heeft de transcriptie gestopt