

Association STEP Geneva - Office of the Secretary

Thursday 21 May 2026

Buffet/Lunch Conference

Our next buffet/luncheon conference will be held **on Thursday 21 May 2026** at the **Four Seasons Hotel des Bergues Geneva**. The buffet/lunch will be served from 12:00 to 12:45, the presentation will start at 12:45 to 13:45, and the coffee/desserts will be served from 13:45 to 14:00.

Our speaker of the day will be **Fritha Ford - Partner at Collas Crill**, who will speak in **English** on the topic:

**FROM ILLEGITIMACY TO IVF:
NAVIGATING "CHILDREN" AND "ISSUE" IN CONTEMPORARY
TRUSTS**

Description: As family structures and laws evolve, trustees increasingly face complex questions about who counts as “children” or “issue.” This session explores practical strategies for managing these challenges across jurisdictions and generations, addressing issues such as IVF, surrogacy, and adoption, and considering how trust instruments should be reviewed or clarified, particularly in light of the recent change to Jersey law which has abolished the concept of illegitimacy.



Fritha Ford is a Jersey Advocate and a Partner at Collas Crill specialising in private wealth disputes. With more than 15 years of experience helping clients navigate complex and sensitive disputes involving Jersey trusts and estates, she regularly appears before the Island's courts and has played a key role in some of the Island's most high-profile trust litigation cases.

Fritha advises trustees, protectors, beneficiaries, and other interested parties on all matters of Jersey trust law, often involving multi-jurisdictional assets and family business interests. Skilled in strategic dispute resolution, Fritha also works proactively to help clients identify and mitigate risks, often before disputes arise.

Registration:

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Price of the event is **CHF 65** for STEP members (**CHF 85** for non-members and **CHF 45** for STEP Diploma Students), payable in advance by credit card or transfer to our UBS bank account specified on the invoice.

Registrations and payment must be received at least 48 hours before the event. Anyone who does not register 48 hours in advance may see their registration cancelled should the Hotel not be able to accommodate numbers. Because STEP is liable for reservations made, “no shows” will be required to pay. Cancellations in writing must be received by the Secretariat at least 72 hours before the event.

This event counts as “1 structured CPD hour”.

If you have any queries on registration, please send an email to Larisa Udalyagina (STEP Geneva Secretariat) at secretariat@step-geneva.org and she will help you with your registration.

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