



**Doughty Street Chambers and Böhler Advocaten announce international alliance.**

Doughty Street Chambers, the world's largest human rights and civil liberties practice, and Böhler Advocaten, the leading international law and human rights firm in the Netherlands, are forming an alliance to combine their efforts in furthering the promotion of freedom of the individual and access to justice.

This informal association will bring together expert practitioners at the cutting edge of international law, international criminal law, serious crime, extradition, and immigration and asylum law. Böhler and Doughty Street have a common human rights ethos and share the characteristics of renowned expertise, intellectual excellence, a collegial style of working and deep professional commitment. They also each have well established connections with leading academics in these fields of law at the top universities across the world. Through knowledge-sharing and networking, and public initiatives such as joint campaigns, articles and conferences, the barristers at Doughty Street and the lawyers at Böhler will combine their strengths to highlight key issues and developments in the law. They will also explore opportunities for collaborative working in order to continue to push the boundaries in the most complex cases in the arena of international human rights.

Böhler's Michiel Pestman and Doughty Street's John Jones share the platform at the next seminar in the Milestones in International Criminal Justice series, co-hosted with Chatham House, on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October. (For details, see [Milestones in International Criminal Justice 16 Oct 12.](#))

Doughty Street Chambers and Böhler Advocaten look forward shortly to announcing further developments in this exciting new alliance.

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