



A magical experience: the glitz and glamour of Buenos Aires

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Global network conferences are always impressive, but this year's offering from host firm Russell Bedford Argentina genuinely raised the bar. Who could forget the singing, dancing and magic of the gala dinner at El Zanjón – one of the most historical and fascinating archaeological sites in the country. Quite apart from a truly outstanding social programme – which also included a spectacular tango show – this year's technical programme took an innovative tack in both the issues covered, and the nature of their delivery.

While keeping essential technical content (for example, the use of double taxation treaties), presentations this

year concentrated on the 'softer' skills essential to personal success. To that end, guest speakers included consultant Ernesto Weissmann on the challenges inherent in effective business decision making, economist (and illusionist) Juan Ordeix proving the value of perception, intuition and lateral thinking, and business coach François Kaisin on the importance of working together, specifically in the development of synergies between member firms.

Another high-profile guest speaker, Andrés Borenstein, the British Embassy's Chief Economist for South

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Audience participation: Illusionist Juan Ordeix (right) amazes Daniel Intile and Geoff Goodyear with his magic tricks

Jiří Nekovář elected president of CFE

Prague partner to lead umbrella organisation for tax advisers

Jiří Nekovář, senior partner of Euro-Trend, the Russell Bedford member firm in Prague, Czech Republic, has been elected as President of the Confédération Fiscale Européenne (CFE) for a two-year term starting 1 January 2013.

The election was held at the General Assembly of the CFE which took place on 21 September 2012 in Bucharest, Romania.

The CFE is an umbrella organisation for 32 national bodies and more than 180,000 tax advisers from 24 European countries. Its purpose is to safeguard



the professional interests of tax advisers and to assure the quality of services provided by tax advisers in Europe.

Jiří Nekovář has been Vice-President of the CFE for the last four years and has been involved in its activities as a member of its general assembly, council and fiscal committee since 1994. He was also President of the Chamber of Tax Advisers of the Czech Republic (KDPCR) from 2008 to 2011. 🇨🇪

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