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### Recognitions

- Chambers and Partners Europe: White-Collar Crime since 2022
- The Legal 500: Key Lawyer in Dispute Resolution: Litigation; Key Lawyer in Regulatory, Compliance and Investigations
- Lexology Index: Thought Leader in Business Crime Defence since 2021; Thought Leader in Investigations since 2021; Thought Leader in Asset Recovery since 2023
- GIR: Thought Leader in Business Crime Defence and Investigations since 2023
- GIR: 40 Under 40 2020
- GIR: 100 Women in Investigations 2018
- LMG Expert Guides: Rising Star - White Collar Crime from 2018 to 2022 and Women in Business Law - White Collar Crime from 2020 to 2022
- Leaders League: White-Collar Crime & Internal Investigations & Compliance since 2021

### Languages

French, Italian, English, German

### Selected Publications

- Published by Helbing Lichtenhahn, commentary ad art. 163-171bis.
- La protection des données personnelles dans le cadre de l'entraide internationale en matière pénale et fiscale
- Journal des Tribunaux, regular translation of decisions issued by the Criminal Federal Court
- Commentary on Art. 80h IMAC
- Recent Developments in Handling Politically Exposed Persons ("PEPs") under Swiss Law

Clara Poggia is a partner in Schellenberg Wittmer's Geneva office, where she co-heads the Dispute Resolution Group. Her practice areas include white collar crime, international mutual assistance proceedings, internal investigations, asset tracing and recovery, and compliance. She holds a Postgraduate Diploma in Criminology.

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### Expertise

- White-Collar Crime and Compliance
- Dispute Resolution
- Internal Corporate Investigations
- IT Security and Cybercrime
- Data

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### Experience

- Representation of a company in a major Swiss investigation involving potential wrongdoing (allegations of corruption);
- Representation of a corporation in criminal proceedings targeting a large Ponzi scheme and in related bankruptcy proceedings and assets recovery;
- Representation of multiple individuals and corporations in large scale requests for mutual legal assistance in tax matters addressed to Switzerland by France, Spain and Netherland notably;
- Representation of Brazilian individuals and companies in Swiss criminal proceedings related to the lava jato Brazilian scandal;
- Representation and assistance to a former high ranking executive in proceedings conducted by a sports authority and authorities in Switzerland;
- Representation of European corporations targeted by a request of mutual legal assistance in criminal matters addressed by the U.S. Department of Justice to Switzerland and representation of the same entities in the related Swiss domestic criminal proceedings

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### Career

2019	Partner at Schellenberg Wittmer
2016	Senior Associate at Schellenberg Wittmer
2014	Associate at Schellenberg Wittmer
2011	Law Clerk at the Swiss Federal Criminal Tribunal
2010	Associate in a law firm in Geneva
2007	Trainee Lawyer in a law firm in Geneva

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**Education**

2010 Bar Admission in Switzerland  
2006 Postgraduate degree in criminology, University of Lausanne  
2004 lic. iur., University of Geneva

**Additional Professional Activities**

- Founder and former Chapter Leader of the Women in White Collar Defense Association's Swiss Chapter
- Member of AIJA's Extended Bureau as co-chair of the Human Rights Committee
- Work coordinator for the AIJA's 2020 annual conference in Rio