MADRID, The World Federation of Investors (WFI) has joined with the International Financial Litigation Network (IFLN) for the protection and proactive representation of individual shareholders rights.

Between September 24 and 27 a inaugural meeting of an international network of esteemed law firms - International Financial Litigation Network (IFLN) took place in Madrid. The newly established network is the initiative of one of the leading and most esteemed law firms in Spain - Cremades & Calvo-Sotelo. Roger Ganser, Chairman of the World Federation of Investors (WFI), and President - Secretary General, Dr. Jean-Pierre Paelinck, were invited as speakers and representatives of individual shareholders worldwide.

Law Firms included in the International Financial Litigation Network successfully represent shareholders and investors in the most demanding cases of damages and fraud worldwide, such as Bankia, Bernard Madoff, and British Petroleum. Founding members are the most prominent representatives of law firms from Austria, Brazil, Italy, Germany, Holland, Spain, Turkey and the USA attended the founding general meeting.

After the founding IFLN general meeting WFI held its annual meeting attended by individual shareholder representatives from twenty-five nations. Mr. Frank Koneko of Japan provided a graphical introduction to the Stock Selection Guide titled "Up, Straight and Parallel". Dr. Wilfried Hubscher of Germany spoke about the changing but critical role of national stock exchanges in providing equity to growth companies and the national economies while also enabling individual investors to build personal wealth with smart investing. WFI's 2014 annual meeting will be held in September in Vienna, Austria.