

## Norton Rose to Implement Hour Reductions



Most offices of London's [Norton Rose](#) have approved a flexible hours scheme first [announced in March](#).

The firm hopes to avoid redundancies by reducing hours. The scheme has been approved by 19 of the firm's 21 international offices.

Norton Rose is still working to make the plan comply with the law in France and Germany.

London lawyers and staff were informed this week they will be the first affected.

The plan, under which Norton Rose employees, including partners, would choose between a four-day week, a paid sabbatical of four to 12 weeks, or both, is entirely voluntary.

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