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The chequered history of Anglo-Argentine relations took a turn for the better on Tuesday when the Law Society hosted a reception for the Society of British and Argentine Lawyers. Veterans of South America know from hard experience that it periodically surfaces as the next big thing and as the economy enters the doldrums it makes sense to look for new markets — especially if you have links with an area. Peter Taylor, who chairs SOBAL, has deep roots in the region and a well-earned reputation for his work with Argentine clients. What's more, the turnout on Tuesday was impressive. There was a lively collection of representatives from London's more interesting firms — Withers, Finers Stephens Innocent, Farrer & Co, Manches, Fox Lawyers and so on, plus Denton Wilde Sapte and Eversheds from the bigger outfits. No show whatsoever, however, from the "magic circle". Probably a bit too racy and exciting for their delicate dispositions.