



Half-Year May Conference 2019

Hong Kong, Hong Kong

22 May 2019 - 25 May 2019

How to Raise Money from an International Perspective

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09:15 » 10:30	Joint Session: Tax Considerations and Cross-Border Financings A panel discussion between tax lawyers and securities/financing lawyers. <i>Moderator:</i> Jessica Kemp , Travers Smith LLP, United Kingdom <i>Speakers:</i> Arne Friese , Disssmann Orth, Germany Clemens Schindler , Schindler Attorneys, Austria Bethan Waters , Farrer & Co LLP, United Kingdom Gulong Ren , Anjie Law Firm, China
10:30 » 11:00	Coffee Break
11:00 » 12:00	Best Practices in Private Equity Financings Keynote and panel discussion on the current state of the private equity sector. <i>Moderator:</i> Jennifer Maxwell , Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP, United Kingdom <i>Speakers:</i> Alex Carbonell , Gomez-Acebo & Pombo Abogados, Spain Marc Hauser , Ritterhaus, Germany Thierry Barbey , Kellerhals Carrard, Switzerland

12:00 » 13:30	Lunch
13:30 » 15:00	Fundraising in the M&A Context: Public v Private Two keynotes and panel discussion on the options and alternatives to raising money in a private M&A setup as opposed to public M&A. Restrictions and governmental approvals in cross-border financing. <i>Moderator:</i> Moritz Maurer , Niederer Kraft Frey, Switzerland <i>Speakers:</i> Marco Gardino , R&P Legal - Studio Associato, Italy Christian Sauer , Franklin Société d'Avocats, France Manav Raheja , J. Sagar Associates, India Sameer Sibal , Jerome Merchant + Partners, India Marc van der Velden , Buren, The Netherlands Carlos Li , PhD law candidate - Chinese University of Hong Kong, China
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16:15 » 17:00	Market Idiosyncrasies Keynote and panel discussion to discuss areas where market practice differs significantly between different jurisdictions. <i>Moderator:</i> Anthony MacPherson , Kingsley Napley, United Kingdom <i>Speakers:</i> Martin Imhof , Heuking Kuhn Luer Wojtek, Germany Zi Li Tay , Zicolaw, Vietman
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10:00 » 10:45	Trends in Equity Capital Market Financings <i>Speakers:</i> Jesper Schonbeck , Vinge, Sweden Jacky Sin , Slaughter & May, Hong Kong
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Christian Presoly, Attorney at law, Liechtenstein

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Trends in International Tax Planning

Panel discussion on major developments and trends in global tax planning, including impact of BEPS, U.S. tax reform, and MLI on multinational planning.

Chair:

Ali Kanani, Bonnard Lawson International, Switzerland

Speakers:

Barry McGettrick, Matheson Solicitors, Ireland

Alessandro Foti, De Berti Jacchia, Italy

Silvio Cilia, Corrieri Cilia Legal, Malta

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Recent APAC Tax Developments

Panel discussion on recent tax developments in major APAC jurisdictions.

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Ryan Myint, Penningtons Manches LLP, United Kingdom

Speakers:

Emma Shen, Bonnard Lawson International, China

Cheng Chen, Kellerhals Carrard, China

Shipra Padhi, Nishith Desai, India

Kristin Charisse Siao, Villaraza & Angangco, Philippines

Patricia Woo, Squire Patton Boggs, Hong Kong

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APAC Inbound and Outbound Business Structuring

Panel discussion on major trends and tax considerations for structuring crossborder businesses in the APAC region.

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Joint Session on Tax and Immigration Planning and Compliance for High Net Worth Individuals

Panel discussion exploring opportunities and pitfalls with globally mobile HNW individuals.

Chair:

Guadalupe Diaz Sunico, Lener, Spain

Speakers:

Wim Vermeulen, Cazimir, Belgium

Alberto Brazzalotto, Maisto e Associati, Italy

Will Johnson, Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd, PA, USA

Frederick Bjorn, Payne Hicks Beach, United Kingdom

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Multinational Compliance Considerations

Panel discussion on tax planning in an era of increased transparency from the perspective of GAARs, CFC regimes, thin capitalisation rules and treaty antiabuse.

Chair:

Jose Aguilar Shea, Squire Patton Boggs, Spain

Speakers:

Gertjan Verachtert, Sansen International Tax Lawyers, Belgium

Grace Lin, Cuatrecasas, Gonçalves Pereira, China

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Professional Liability and Ethics Considerations in International Tax Planning

Roundtable discussions exploring the ethical considerations in international tax planning, and the changing landscape with

respect to professional liability.

Chair:

Matthew Cullen, UBP Investment Advisors, Switzerland

Speakers:

Marielle Boezelman, Hertoghs advocaten, The Netherlands

Eva Stadler, Wolf Theiss Rechtsanwälte, Austria

Pietro Mastellone, Studio Legale Mastellone, Italy

Nicolas Duboille, Sumerson Partners, France

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Tax Planning for the Digital Economy

Keynote and panel discussions regarding planning and compliance considerations for cryptocurrency and cross-border transactions involving digital goods and services.

Chair:

Maddy Gowlett, Travers Smith, United Kingdom

Speakers:

Meyyappan Nagappan, Nishit Desai, India

Clemens Willvonseder, Binder Grösswag Rechtsanwälte, Austria

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10:30 » 11:00	Coffee Break
11:00 » 12:00	<p>Joint AIJA-UIA Session on International Divorce – Protecting Business Wealth in Litigation A comparative analysis of civil law and common law perspectives (Hong Kong, UK, Macau, Portugal and France) with the support of</p>  <p><i>Chair:</i> Veronica Dindo, Lawlab Studio Legale, Italy <i>Speakers:</i> Bérangère Diot, Cadiou&Barbe, France Joana Alves Cardoso, Jac Lawyers, Macau Caroline McNalley, Gall, Hong Kong John Davies, Farrer & co, United Kingdom</p>
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Alessia Paoletto, Withers, United Kingdom

Speakers:

Nancy Chien, Bedell Cristin, Jersey

Jessica L. Staton, Butler Snow Hong Kong LLP, Hong Kong

Fouad Sayegh, Walder Wyss, Switzerland

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10:00 » 10:45	<p>Recovery of assets stemming from criminal offences: States' various remedies vs personal protection of property, in particular at a transnational level</p> <p>What are the tools available for each State and/or private victim to recover assets, including through mutual assistance in criminal/administrative/civil matters?</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i></p> <p>Rosie Wild, Cooke, Young and Keidan, United Kingdom</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i></p> <p>Antonia Mottironi, Monfrini Bitton Klein, Switzerland</p> <p>Charlotte Tregunna, Peters and Peters, United Kingdom</p> <p>Heidi Chui, Stevenson, Wong and Co., Hong Kong</p> <p>Hiroyuki Kanae, Anderson Mori Tomotsune, Japan</p>
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