

## Financial Services Interest Group (FSIG) Lunch Seminar

# WHAT IS BITCOIN? AND WHY DO WE CARE?

Speaker	Mr. James Zeng Consultant in commodities/exchanges risk management and Bitcoin Advisor of BTC China
Chairperson	Mr. Mark Ho Member, FSIG Organising Committee
Date & Time	10 October 2014, Friday 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Venue	HKICPA, 27th Floor, Wu Chung House, 213 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai.
Competency*	Industry knowledge
Rating*	Intermediate level
Admission Fee	\$130 (HKICPA member) \$220 (non-HKICPA member) <b>(Sandwiches and drinks start at 12:30 p.m.)</b>
Recommended CPD hour	1 hour (subject to actual attendance)
Language	English
Enrolment deadline	6 October 2014
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## ABOUT THE SEMINAR

The Bitcoin stories have been all over the headlines lately, and the word, "bitcoin" has also made it into the <u>Oxford Dictionary</u> last year. The Bitcoin ecosystem has been attracting some of the brightest people from Silicon Valley, Wall Street and around the world to join this extraordinary technological, monetary and social experiment. So, what is Bitcoin? Is it a currency? a commodity? a payment system? or something else? What are the potential impacts to our daily life? And why do we care?

At the seminar, Mr. James Zeng, a consultant in commodities/exchanges risk management and Bitcoin and an advisor of one of the global major Bitcoin exchanges, BTC China, will give an overview of the key elements of the Bitcoin ecosystem. Mr. Zeng will give his insights about the Bitcoin market and its potential based on his experience in the industry.



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*Mr. James Zeng* is a consultant in commodities/exchanges risk management and Bitcoin and an advisor of BTC China, one of the global major Bitcoin exchanges. Mr. Zeng has 15 years of professional working experience in the global financial markets and exchanges. He has an in-depth understanding of futures exchange and clearing house operations and business models. He is also an expert in connecting the physical commodities markets and the financial world. Mr. Zeng holds a Master of Science in Financial Engineering and Bachelors of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Polytechnic University in New York City.

Mr. Zeng worked at CME/NYMEX/NYSE in New York, and HKMEx in Hong Kong previously. He held senior positions among these exchanges, and his career focus has been mainly on financial/ commodities derivatives, such as futures and options, OTC clearing, risk management and new products development.

Amazed by the Bitcoin technology, Mr. Zeng has been doing research on its ecosystem since he first discovered this extraordinary innovation last year. He believes that the Bitcoin and Blockchain technology will benefit many people in the future, and he is happy to be part of this experiment.

### REGISTRATION

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- By post or by fax: Complete the attached enrolment form and return it to the Institute on or before <u>6 October 2014</u>, together with full payment. Cheque should be made payable to the "Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants" or "HKICPA".
- Fax registration will only be accepted if payment is made by any VISA / MasterCard or the BOC HKICPA UnionPay card. Acceptance is on a first-come-first-served basis with priority given to FSIG members.
- If you are not the FSIG member, please click <u>HERE</u> to download the FSIG membership application form. <u>NO</u> registration fee is required.
- If you have not received the confirmation by <u>8 October 2014</u>, please contact May Hung at 2287 7009 / Canace Leung at 2287 7089 or email: <u>may@hkicpa.org.hk</u>.



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