



Soft Skills Required by Forensics Practitioners (Face-to-face workshop)

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About the topic

Unlike traditional accountants who are governed by auditing/ financial reporting standards in performing their duties, forensic practitioners need to exercise reasonable judgment without the guidance of specific standards when carrying out their duties. In this respect, soft skills and critical thinking are pivotal for them in ensuring the quality of their work. In this interactive face-to-face event, the speakers will talk about a number of essential traits and characteristics that forensic accountants should possess, such as being analytical, detail-oriented, ethical, responsive, insightful, and sceptical. On top of this, forensic accountants must be effective communicators, as they need to present their findings clearly and persuasively to various different parties. Their audiences include clients and judges, who may be considered laymen in this field, and may not be familiar with technical terms in the relevant reports.

The event rundown will be as follows:

- A brief introduction of general skillsets that forensic practitioners should possess
- Small group discussions led by respective speakers as facilitators, where participants can discuss and raise questions in their groups, with the speakers providing their feedback
- The facilitators will be invited back to stage to summarize the discussions within their groups
- Overall Q&A session

About the event

Date & Time	Monday, 13 February 2023 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Venue	HKICPA training centre 27th Floor, Wu Chung House 213 Queen's Road East, Wanchai
Fee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HK\$170 per person for ForensIG members/ACFE members • HK\$330 per person for the participants other than above <p><i>Priority is given to ForensIG members. Not a ForensIG member? Click here to join ForensIG. If you are a non-member of the Institute, please register as a new web member first before completing an online registration as a ForensIG member.</i></p>
HKICPA CPD credit	1 hour (subject to actual attendance)
Language	English
Competency	Forensic accounting*
Rating	Intermediate level*
Application deadline	Online enrolment by 9 February 2023 (offline enrolment by 8 February 2023)

Rundown

1:00 pm	Introduction
1:05 pm	Presentation
1:20 pm	Small group discussion
1:50 pm	Q&A
2:00 pm	Closing

Speakers/ facilitators

Henry Chambers, Managing Director, Alvarez & Marsal Disputes and Investigations Limited

Jeffrey Ip, Director, Forensic Services, Deloitte

Sean Lam, Member, ForensIG Management Committee, and Senior Managing Director, Forensic and Litigation Consulting, FTI Consulting

Jowie Sze, Associate Director, Forensic Services, Deloitte

Chair

Sean Lam

* Please refer [here](#) for descriptions of the various ratings.



About the speakers

Henry Chambers

Managing Director, Alvarez & Marsal Disputes and Investigations Limited

Henry brings more than twelve years of experience in forensic accounting and investigation assignments focusing on bribery and corruption matters (FCPA/UKBA), cryptocurrency, accounting fraud, asset tracing, regulatory and other investigations as well as supporting general commercial litigation.

Jeffrey Ip

Director, Forensic Services, Deloitte

Jeffrey has been with Deloitte for 15 years. He specialises in financial analysis, financial modelling, operational and corporate restructuring and sensitive family matters including disputes and affairs of the family members. Jeffrey has provided advisory services to listed and private clients in Hong Kong and various overseas jurisdictions in a wide range of industries.

Sean Lam

Member, Forensic Management Committee, and Senior Managing Director, Forensic and Litigation Consulting, FTI Consulting

Sean has fourteen years of experience in forensic accounting, fraud investigation and litigation support. He has significant experience in a range of high-stakes, cross-jurisdiction projects, specialising on forensic accounting review and investigation of white-collar crime, accounting irregularities and other complex regulatory investigations. He has also been appointed as a testifying expert in legal proceedings in the Hong Kong High Court.

Jowie Sze

Associate Director, Forensic Services, Deloitte

Jowie has been with Deloitte for 10 years. She specializes in estate management and other court appointments, including those made under the Mental Health Ordinance. Her experience includes handling sensitive family matters including disputes and affairs of family members, providing financial oversight of companies or businesses in the context of estates and family disputes, as well as advisory services to private clients in Hong Kong with various overseas jurisdictions involved.

Jowie worked on several due diligence, forensic accounting analysis and document reviews on listed companies and their PRC subsidiaries as well as audit support engagements.

Registration

- **Online enrolment by 9 February; offline enrolment by post or e-mail also by 8 February:**
Complete the enrolment form and return it to the Institute by 8 February, together with full payment. Cheque should be made payable to "Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants" or "HKICPA". E-mail registration will be accepted for payment by any VISA/ Master card or the BOC HKICPA UnionPay card.

You may consider your registration to be successful unless you receive notification from us to the contrary.

- **Contact Mr. Anthony Lee at 2287-7386 or Ms. Ki Wong at 2287-7017 for enquiry.**



Remarks

In light of the continuing risks posed by COVID-19, the Institute is adopting the following precautionary measures at the workshop (subject to change):

- All speakers and participants need to be aware of the followings:
 - Submitting a health declaration form upon entering the venue
 - Wearing a face mask at the Institute and throughout the workshop
 - Undergoing compulsory temperature screening at the Institute's registration counter
 - Using sanitizing gel provided for disinfection of hands before entering the venue
 - Sitting at a distance from each other and avoid close contact
 - No refreshment or drinks will be provided during the workshop
 - Participants are NOT ALLOWED to bring/eat food and drinks at the venue
 - As it takes some time for completing the registration, participants are encouraged to arrive at the Institute earlier to avoid last minute rush.

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- The Institute also takes no responsibility for any loss associated to any person acting or refraining from acting as a result of participation in the event.