

# **New Regulatory Regime for IPO Sponsors**

## About the topic

The Securities and Futures Commission ("SFC")'s new regulations for sponsors will come into effect on 1 October 2013. Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing ("HKEx") has made appropriate changes to the Listing Rules and streamlined the listing vetting process to complement the new SFC regime, with a view to making the listing process more efficient. The new/revised Listing Rules will apply to listing applications submitted on or after 1 October 2013.

At this seminar, Ms. Julia Charlton, founder and principal partner of Charltons and an experienced practitioner in the field of corporate finance, will discuss the role and responsibilities of IPO sponsors under the new regulatory regime, including the due diligence required of sponsors in relation to Hong Kong equity IPOs, in particular, on expert reports. She will also cover HKEx's new procedural requirements and the proposals relating to sponsor liability under the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

### About the programme

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Venue Theatre of the Joint Professional Centre

Unit 1, G/F, The Center

99 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong (Please click here for the location map)

Fee HK\$ 200 per person for CFIG members

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Language **English** 

Competency Corporate Finance\*

Intermediate level\* Rating

**Application** deadline

12 September 2013

### Rundown

6:15pm Registration

(Light refreshments provided)

6:30pm Introduction

6:35pm Presentation by

Speaker

7:40pm Q&A / Discussion

8:00pm Closing remarks

### Chairperson

Ms. Connie Ho

CFIG convenor & CFC member Partner, Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu

<sup>\*</sup> Please refer here for descriptions of the various ratings and competencies.



### **About the speaker**

Ms. Julia Charlton Principal Partner Charltons

Julia was admitted as a solicitor in England & Wales in 1985 and has practised as a solicitor in Hong Kong since 1987. She is an experienced practitioner in the field of corporate finance, including mergers and acquisitions, private equity investment, securities, derivatives and funds.

Julia has extensive experience of China work and is a Mandarin speaker. She has advised both issuers and underwriters on the listings of Chinese and international companies on the Hong Kong, Shanghai and London stock exchanges. Recent listings that Julia has worked on include the listings on Growth Enterprise Market ("GEM") of Mastercraft International Holdings Limited in July 2012 and Branding China Group Limited in April 2012, and the listing of China Titans Energy Technology Group Co., Limited on the main board in May 2010. She also advised the majority shareholding group on the main board listing of United Company Rusal in 2010 and advised AIG in connection with the listing of AIA Group Ltd. on the main board in 2010. She also has experience in foreign investment in the PRC, including the establishment of joint ventures and wholly owned foreign enterprises, and is familiar with the business and legal issues arising in the PRC for would-be investors.

Julia advises regulators, financial institutions and listed companies on the listing rules of both the main board of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong and the GEM. She is experienced in the fields of securities law, capital markets, mergers & acquisitions, investment funds, restructuring and regulatory issues. She is a member of the Listing Committee of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange and of the Takeovers and Mergers Panel.

## Registration

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# CFIG evening seminar – New Regulatory Regime for IPO Sponsors

\*Click here for online enrolment (read conditions set out under "Registration")

17 September 2013

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