

Financial Service Interest Group (FSIG) Lunch Seminar

Offshore Funds Tax Exemption:
Overview and Practical Implications



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Date 18 September 2006, Monday

Time 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Sandwiches and beverages will be served at 12:45 p.m.

Venue Hong Kong Institute of CPAs Training Centre,

27th Floor, Wu Chung House,

213 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong.

Admission

Fee

HKD70 per person

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Credit Hour 1 hour

Application

Deadline 14 September 2006

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ABOUT THE SEMINAR

A new statute was introduced in March 2006 to exempt offshore funds from tax in Hong Kong. It follows extensive consultation with members of the funds industry and other professional bodies in the territory.

Under the *Revenue (Profits Tax Exemption for Offshore Funds) Ordinance 2006*, an offshore fund will be exempt from tax in Hong Kong where the fund is a non-resident and its profits are derived from certain qualifying transactions carried out through or arranged by specified persons. The new fund exemption rules are complex, but broadly they introduce two new provisions into the *Inland Revenue Ordinance* – an Exemption Provision and a Deeming Provision.

Whilst the new legislation clarifies what was already thought to be the tax treatment for some offshore funds, the introduction of the Deeming Provision (essentially an anti-avoidance provision) seems to raise more questions than answers due to the unintended consequences that may arise on the application of the provision.

The presentation will highlight the key features of the new legislation and discuss some real life examples of the implications for the offshore funds and their fund managers in Hong Kong.

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

Mr. Darren Bowdern is a tax principal with KPMG's Hong Kong office. Darren has been advising on direct investment, private equity and other investment funds structures in Hong Kong for over 12 years. He also regularly assists in tax due diligence reviews in connection with M&A transactions.

Ms. Carreace Wong is tax manager with KPMG Hong Kong specializing in the financial services industry.



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