

Corporate Finance Interest Group

Corporate Finance Interest Group (CFIG) Practitioners meet Regulators series – Discussion forum on new listing rule changes

Speakers/Panellists Ms. Christine Kan, Senior Vice President, Listing Division, HKEx

Ms. Shirley Lau, Partner, Troutman Sanders Mr. Richard Williams, Head of Listing, HKEx

Chairman Mr. Richard Winter

Deputy Chair, Corporate Finance Committee

Date and Time 19 January 2009, Monday, 6:30 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.

(Drinks and light refreshments will be served at 6:00 p.m.)

Venue Harcourt Suite,

1/F, The Hong Kong Club, 1 Jackson Road, Central.

Admission Fee HKD220 per person for CFIG members

HKD320 per person for non-CFIG members

Language English

HKICPA CPD Credit 1.75 hour

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Application Deadline 15 January 2009

Registration

To register:

- Online registration (for HKICPA members only): <u>click here</u> or visit <u>www.hkicpa.org.hk</u>
- By post or by fax: Complete the attached reply slip and return it to the Institute on or before 15 January 2009, together with full payment. Cheques should be made payable to the "Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants". Fax registration will be accepted only if payment is made by Visa/Master credit card.

CFIG members will be given priority for registration. You may consider your registration to be successful unless you receive notification from us to the contrary.

ABOUT THE FORUM

In early 2008, Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited ('HKEx') issued a Combined Consultation Paper proposing a number of significant listing rule changes. HKEx published the consultation conclusions on 28 November 2008. Most of the amendments to the main board and GEM listing rules resulting from the conclusions took effect on 1 January 2009, while it was recently announced that the implementation of the extension of the "black out" period, during which directors cannot buy or sell shares in their companies, has been postponed to 1 April 2009. For details, please refer to the HKEx's related press releases, at: < http://www.hkex.com.hk/news/hkexnews/081230news.htm > and

The listing rule changes will have an impact on the practices of listed companies, company directors, advisers and sponsors. The aim of this forum is to explain and facilitate a better understanding of the rule changes, in particular, the phased reduction of pre-vetting of documents by the Stock Exchange.

The speakers will give a summary overview of the rule changes and discuss their implications for compliance by listed companies and their directors and senior management.

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

Ms. Christine Kan is the Head of the Compliance and Monitoring Department of the Listing Division of HKEx, which is in charge of monitoring listed issuers' compliance with the Exchange listing rules. Ms. Kan first joined HKEx in October 1996 and rejoined in April 2001. Prior to taking up the current role in 2006, she worked in various capacities in the Listing Division, including IPO transaction processing and regulation of main board and GEM listed issuers. Ms. Kan also worked for international public accounting firms including the Toronto, Canada office of KPMG and the Hong Kong office of Ernst & Young.

Ms Kan is a Chartered Accountant, a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario in Canada and a fellow member of the Hong Kong Institute of CPAs in Hong Kong.

Ms. Shirley Lau is a partner of Troutman Sanders. Shirley's practice primarily focuses on commercial and corporate finance in Hong Kong. Her experience includes advising on a board spectrum of mergers and acquisitions; a full range of regulatory compliance including matters concerning the Stock Exchange listing rules (main board and the Growth Enterprise Market) and the Code on Takeovers and Mergers; corporate restructuring, public offerings (both local and H-share), secondary fund raising exercise, direct investment in the People's Republic of China and matters concerning the Companies Ordinance and Hong Kong securities related legislations.



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Enrolment Form

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19 January 2009

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- 3. The closing date for enrolment is **15 January 2009**.
- 4. You may consider your registration to be successful unless you receive notification from us to the contrary.
- 5. Unless the seminar is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, no refund will be given once your registration has been processed.
- 6. Bad weather arrangements: The forum will be cancelled if typhoon signal no.8 or above/black rainstorm warning is hoisted at or after 2:30 p.m. on the date of seminar. In the event of bad weather, the admission fee will be refunded.

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