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CFRED's Sixth Securities Law Colloquium: REGULATING GATEKEEPERS IN HONG KONG

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The CUHK Graduate Law Centre, 2/F Bank of America Tower, 12 Harcourt Road, Central, Hong Kong

When securities are sold to the public through a general offering, a team of expert advisors – including bankers, accountants, lawyers, and rating agencies – will structure, guide and assess the transaction and the securities offered. These people are often referred to as “gatekeepers”. Like the stock exchange itself, these private persons are essential to an orderly and fair securities market. Hong Kong has a reputation for high quality gatekeepers and has recently acted on a number of fronts to strengthen the regulations applicable to them. In this colloquium, an Executive Director of the Securities and Futures Commission, a partner at a leading international law firm, and a young academic will discuss the regulation of gatekeepers in Hong Kong, with a special focus on the newly introduced regulation of sponsoring institutions.

Speakers:

Mr. Brian Ho, *Corporate Finance Division, Securities and Futures Commission, HKSAR*
The New Hong Kong Regime for the Regulation of Sponsors

Mr. James Wadham, *Litigation Department, Davis Polk*
Regulatory Enforcement trends against Sponsors and other Gatekeepers

Dr. Frank Meng, *Centre for Financial Regulation and Economic Development, Faculty of Law, CUHK*
Comparing Gatekeepers in Hong Kong and Mainland China

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About the Speakers



Mr. Brian Ho, *Executive Director, Corporate Finance Division, Securities and Futures Commission, HKSAR*

Mr Brian Ho is a member of the Securities and Futures Commission (SFC). He is also an Executive Director with responsibility for the Corporate Finance Division. That Division is responsible for regulating takeover and merger activities, administering the Dual Filing regime, and overseeing listing policy matters.

Mr Ho has been working in the SFC for more than 15 years. Previously practised as solicitor in leading law firms, Mr Ho has extensive regulatory experience and in-depth knowledge in the corporate finance field.

Mr Ho also sits on the Public Shareholders Group (Chairman), the Nominations Committee and the Executive Committee.



Mr. James Wadham, *Partner, Litigation Department, Davis Polk*

Mr. Wadham is a partner in Davis Polk's Litigation and Enforcement Department, resident in Hong Kong. His practice focuses on regulatory investigations and complex commercial disputes involving financial institutions, hedge funds, private equity houses, listed companies and accountancy firms.



Dr. Frank Meng, *Post-doctoral Fellow, Centre for Financial Regulation and Economic Development, Faculty of Law, CUHK*

Dr. Frank Meng specializes in corporate and securities laws in China and Hong Kong. He completed his PhD at the Faculty of Law, the Chinese University of Hong Kong in 2012. His PhD dissertation is entitled "The Nature of Bonding Benefit from Listing Chinese Companies in Hong Kong," which examines the governance improvements associated with listing Mainland Chinese companies on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong in a number of aspects, including information disclosure, board structure, public and private enforcement mechanisms, and gatekeeper's role. Dr. Frank Meng also earned his LLB at the University of Lancaster and LLM at University College London, and was a visiting scholar at University of California, Berkeley in 2011.

