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Wed 8 July 2020
12.00am - 1.00am

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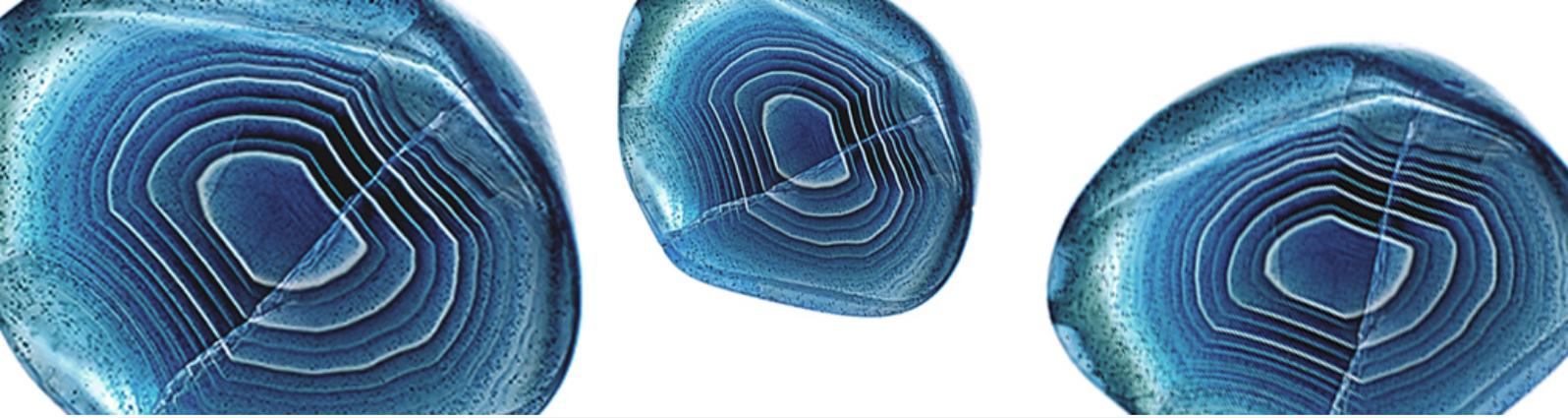
Mon 1 June 2020
12.00am - 1.00am

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HK Seminar TEST

Thu 19 March 2020
12.00pm - 3.00pm

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ICC SEMINAR: Global trends in private M&A

Wed 27 June 2018
12.45pm - 1.45pm

Each year we analyse private M&A transactions we have advised on around the world, to gauge the state of the market and to give our clients a clear sense of how trends are changing. Our analysis in 2017 of our global private M&A deals indicates, amongst other things: M&A volumes remaining strong, despite some adverse trends such as moves towards greater intervention on foreign investments in some markets with competition remaining high for quality assets and private equity strategies for winning auctions paying off with some notable wins; more deals than ever subject to antitrust and regulatory approvals, but sellers increasingly pushing the execution risk back to buyers; and a general hardening of seller position on deal terms, with more risk than ever pushed onto warranty and indemnity insurance. PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS SEMINAR IS EXCLUSIVE FOR STAFF WHO WORK AT CREDIT SUISSE, DEUTSCHE BANK AND MORGAN STANLEY.

ICC SEMINAR: Data privacy and transfer with a focus on GDPR

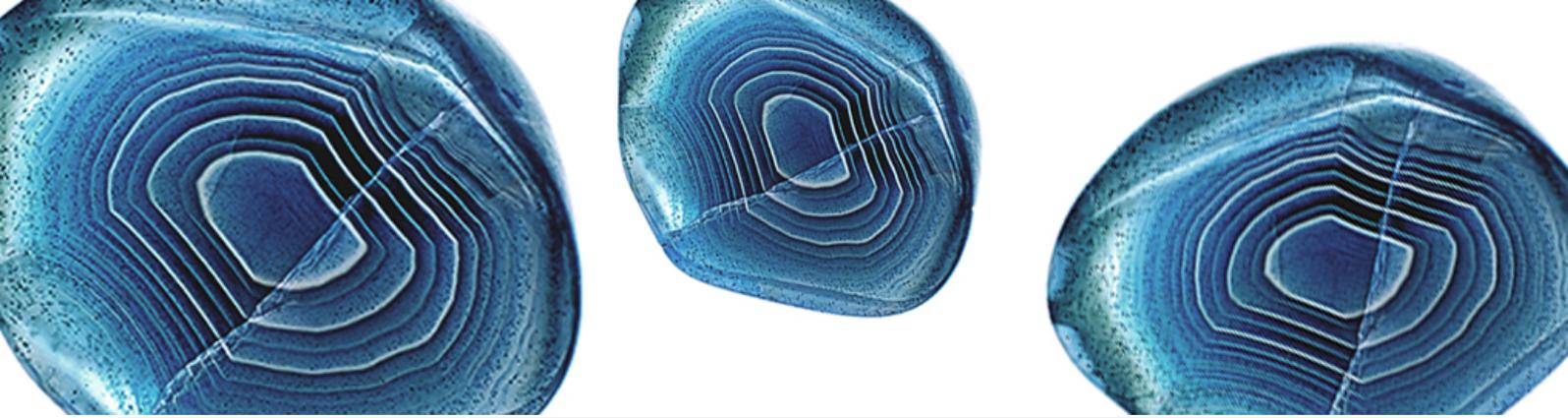
Fri 15 June 2018
12.45pm - 1.45pm

With just over a month to go until the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) comes into force, this seminar will consider the key changes, and when and how it will apply to Hong Kong businesses. If it does apply, what steps should be taken to ensure compliance and how this interact with existing data protection laws in Hong Kong. PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS SEMINAR IS EXCLUSIVE FOR STAFF WHO WORK AT CREDIT SUISSE, DEUTSCHE BANK AND MORGAN STANLEY.

Comparative analysis of bonds v. loans - structuring in the PRC

Wed 6 June 2018
12.30pm - 1.45pm

We continue the highly popular comparative discussion on bonds versus loan transactions by reviewing the relative structuring issues involved, coupled with additional complications that arise when navigating the PRC regulatory framework. REGISTRATION for this seminar will be opened on 23 May 2018.



Interim relief in international arbitration

Wed 16 May 2018
12.30pm - 1.45pm

How to secure urgent relief to preserve your position in arbitration, practical experience of emergency arbitrators, interim measures, anti-suits and interplay with local court proceedings. REGISTRATION for this seminar will be opened on 2 May 2018.

Crypto-currencies and crypto-linked financial products in the U.S. and APAC markets

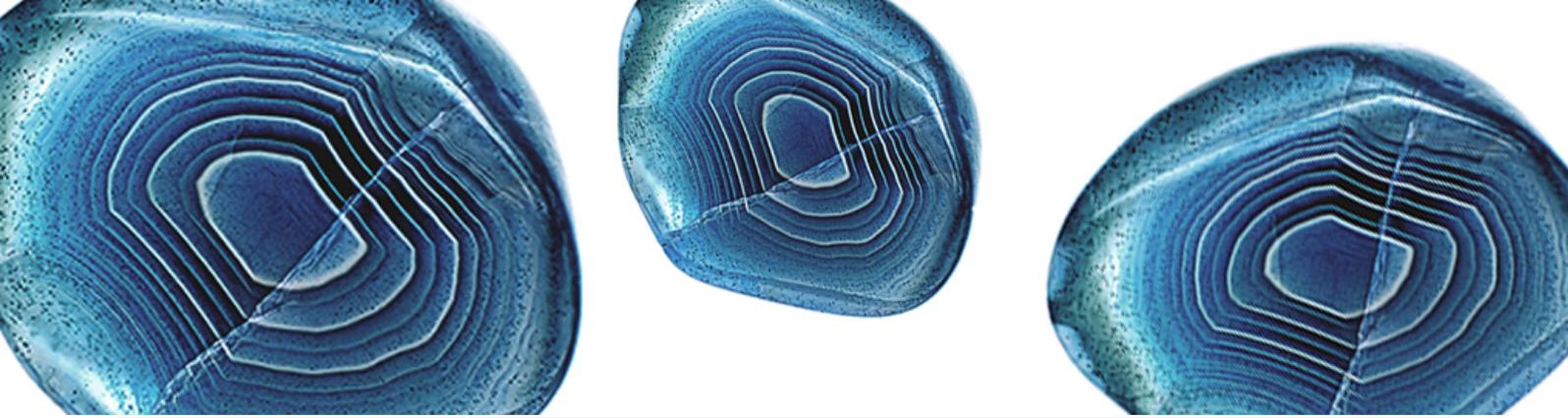
Thu 10 May 2018
12.30pm - 1.45pm

An overview of crypto-currencies and crypto-linked financial products sharing insights from the U.S. and Asia Pacific market. This will include a look at crypto-currencies as commodities and securities as well as how crypto currencies and tokens are characterised by the U.S. and APAC regulators.

Joint ventures - avoiding the pitfalls

Wed 9 May 2018
12.30pm - 1.45pm

We offer practical insights on joint venture structures, potential operational issues, exit mechanisms and resolution of disputes. REGISTRATION for this seminar will be opened on 25 April 2018.



CANCELLED: Walking the commercial behaviour tightrope

Thu 3 May 2018
12.45pm - 1.45pm

This seminar has been cancelled and will be rearranged for the Autumn. We apologise for any inconvenience caused and will provide the new date and registration details in due course.

Data privacy and transfer with a focus on GDPR

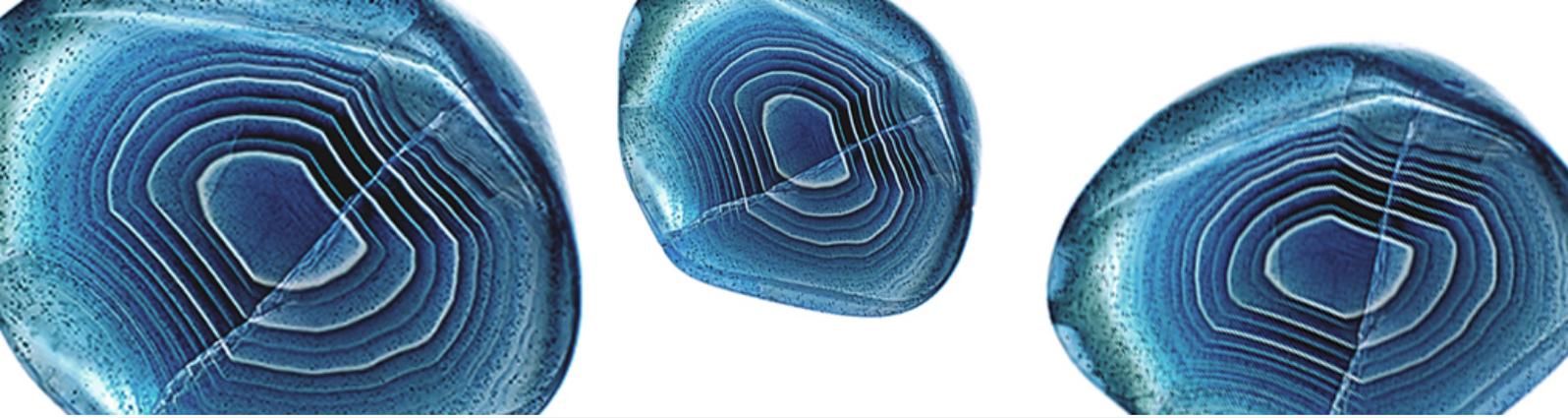
Thu 26 April 2018
12.30pm - 1.45pm

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Global trends in private M&A

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FCPA and PRC bribery laws

Tue 20 March 2018
12.30pm - 1.45pm

The increasing impact of the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and Mainland China bribery laws on Asian businesses.

(ICC) Financial regulatory update: a review of 2017 and looking ahead

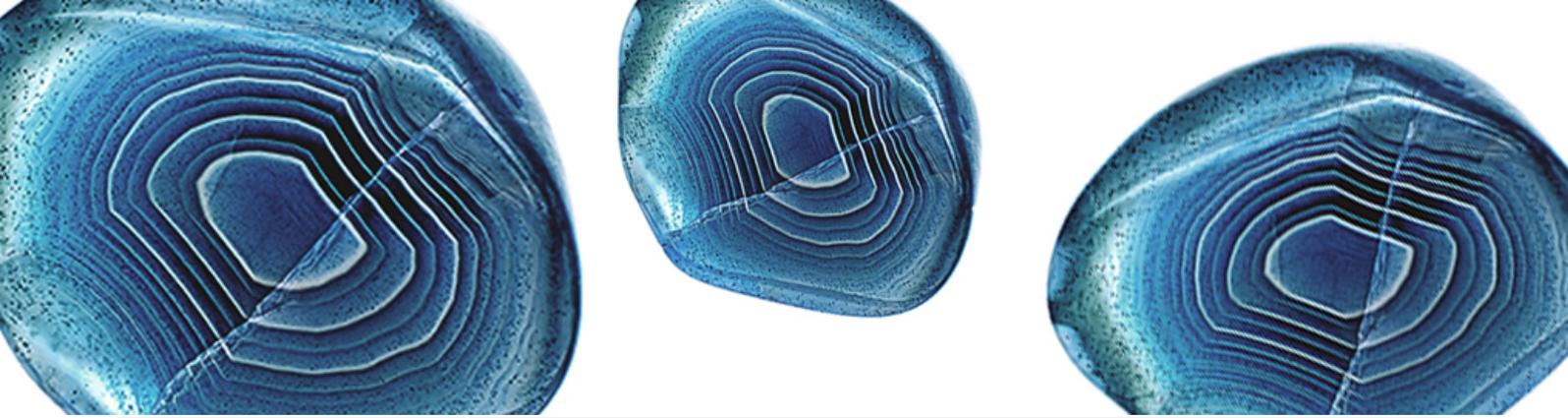
Wed 13 December 2017
12.30pm - 1.45pm

Seminars at the International Commerce Centre (ICC) are exclusively for clients at Credit Suisse, Deutsche Bank and Morgan Stanley. A review of significant financial regulatory enforcement action taken in 2017 by the Hong Kong regulators, topical regulatory issues and trends including IPO sponsor liability, and a projection of important issues that we expect to see in 2018.

Financial regulatory update: a review of 2017 and looking ahead

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The end of the IBORs: the move to Risk Free Interest Rates

Tue 5 December 2017
12.30pm - 1.45pm

An overview of the current global market moves to replace benchmark interbank offered interest rates with risk free rates. Identifying and discussing key issues and challenges for the global bond, loan and derivatives markets. Registration for this seminar will open on 21 November 2017.

(ICC) A comparative analysis of loans and bonds

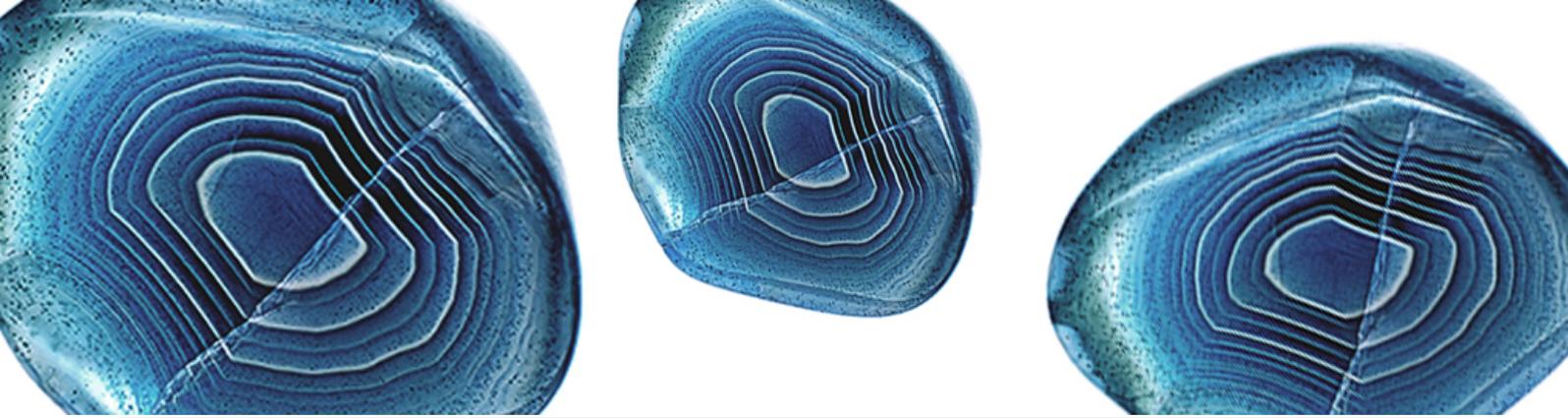
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A comparative analysis of loans and bonds

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12.30pm - 1.45pm

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(ICC) Update and trends in Hong Kong competition law and antitrust practice

Thu 23 November 2017
12.30pm - 1.45pm

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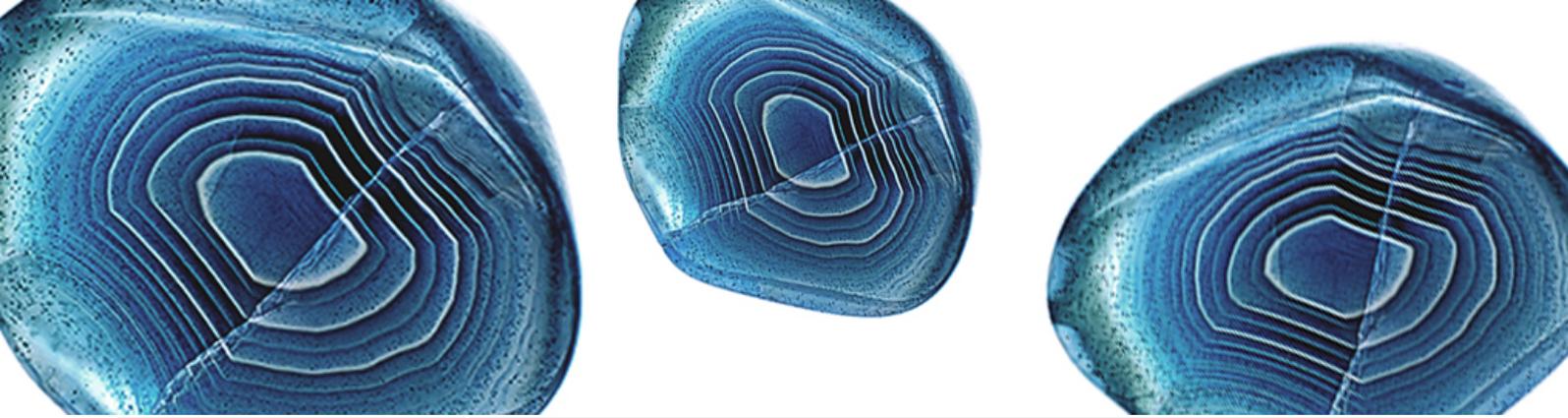
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ASEAN M&A update

Thu 16 November 2017
12.30pm - 1.45pm

An update on M&A in the ASEAN region, highlighting commonalities and differences. Registration for this seminar will open on 2 November 2017.



Arbitration in Hong Kong and Mainland China: practice and pitfalls (Part 1)

Wed 1 November 2017
12.30pm - 1.45pm

Part one, of a two-part seminar, explains the key issues to bear in mind when negotiating dispute resolution clauses in complex commercial contracts and how best to draft clauses so as to reduce risks. It specifically considers the use of HKIAC or CIETAC. Registration for this seminar will open on 18 October 2017.

Insurance M&A and bancassurance trends

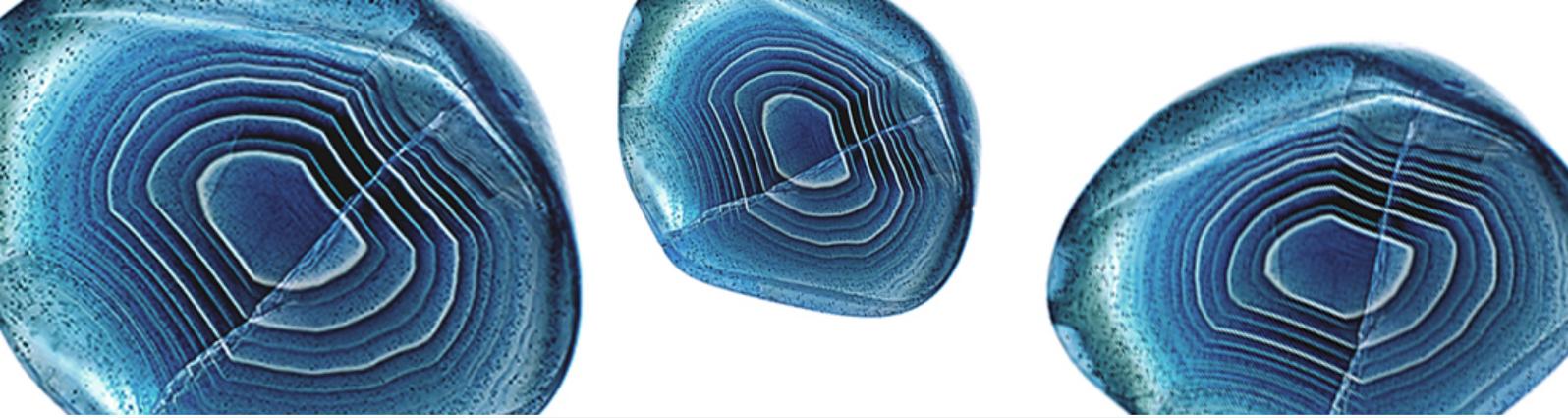
Thu 26 October 2017
12.30pm - 1.45pm

A look at trends in insurance M&A and bancassurance, primarily in the ASEAN region. Registration for this seminar will open on 12 October 2017.

Intellectual property and regulatory issues in Mainland China: trends and developments

Thu 19 October 2017
12.30pm - 1.45pm

This seminar will focus on the PRC IP and regulatory issues in the context of a life science M&A transaction.



Global trends in merger control: the impact on strategic M&A deals

Wed 7 June 2017
12.30pm - 1.45pm

In recent years, companies have continued to show a willingness to engage in strategic in-market deals, thereby bringing about further consolidation across a number of different industries. This is particularly true for Chinese conglomerates. Closely related to this trend, in 2016 antitrust authorities intervened in significantly more transactions than in 2015; last year, more than 31 transactions with a total value of over EUR 69 billion were prohibited or abandoned globally due to antitrust concerns. In addition, at least 159 deals were approved subject to conditions imposed by authorities. Authorities have also recently imposed record fines on companies that failed to comply with merger control rules. In 2017, authorities have already started to prohibit some high profile transactions, and we do not expect this trend to end any time soon. In this seminar, we will discuss the impact of these trends on your strategic M&A deals.

Privilege and internal investigations - a repeat

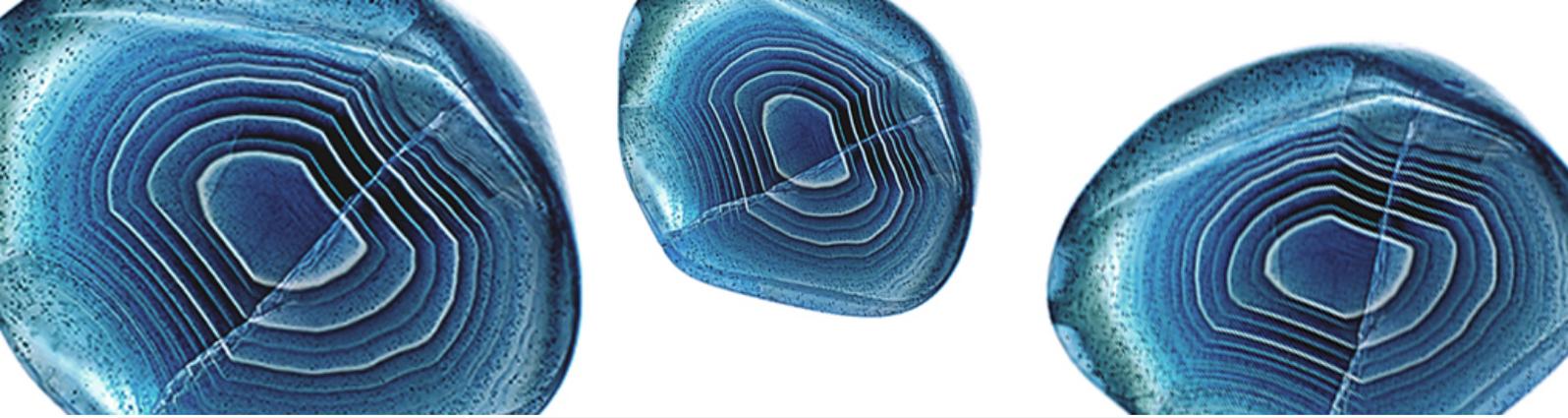
Wed 31 May 2017
12.30pm - 1.45pm

Please note that this is a repeat of the seminar on 24th May. Navigating privilege in internal investigations is a multifaceted task. Not only is it a challenge to work out whether privilege applies in the first place but there are a number of “bigger picture” considerations- such as concurrent investigations particularly in other jurisdictions as well as follow-on litigation which may result in different privilege decisions being taken. In this seminar our lawyers will recap on key considerations when seeking to maintain privilege during internal investigations, including an overview of recent legal developments such as the English case of RBS Rights Issue Litigation. The seminar will provide an overview of the right to exercise privilege, and share their practical insight with an eye on how to structure internal investigations to minimise the risk of creating disclosable documents.

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HK IPOs in the Chinese Educational Sector

Wed 17 May 2017
12.30pm - 1.45pm

When China Maple Leaf Education listed in November 2014, it was the first private school operator in the PRC to list on the Hong Kong bourse. The listing has generated a lot of market attention due to the use of VIE (variable interest entity) structure outside the tech sector and the long pipeline of companies operating in this sector looking for access to capital markets. Jonathan and Lina, who advised the underwriters in the China Maple Leaf Education listing, have been receiving many queries from investors and investment bankers alike regarding the deal and continue to advise on the recent listing of Wisdom Education and other listing applications in this sector. This seminar will look at the complexities behind the listing of a PRC educational institution with a particular emphasis on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange's approach to and PRC issues around (a) VIE structures, (b) PRC foreign investment restrictions, and (c) PRC laws governing the private education industry. Registration for this seminar will be available from 4 May 2017.

Global trends in private M&A

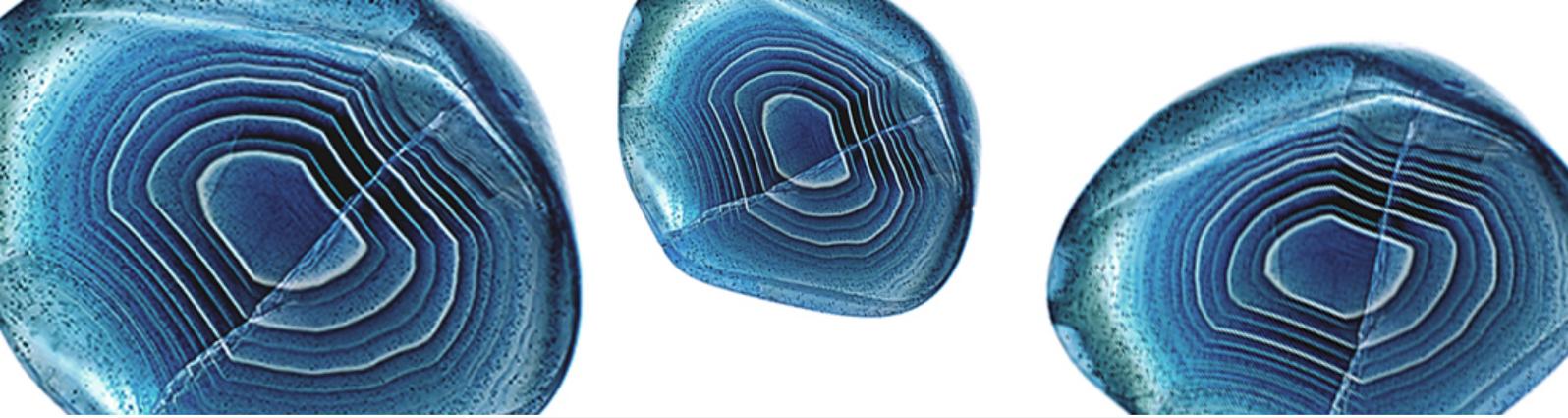
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Contracting with States and SOE's - legal risks

Wed 26 April 2017
12.30pm - 1.45pm

Doing business and contracting with States, including State-owned entities, offers many opportunities but it also brings with it significant risk, particularly should a dispute arise. This seminar focuses on what needs to be considered when contracting with a State, as well as options and approaches should a dispute arise. It will cover issues including sovereign immunity, investment treaty protections and practical strategies for mitigating risk. Registration for this seminar will be available from 12 April 2017.



(ICC) The practical implications of recent PRC regulations

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Seminars at the International Commerce Centre (ICC) are exclusively for clients at Credit Suisse, Deutsche Bank and Morgan Stanley. The squeeze on Outbound Direct Investments – what next? The recent tightening by PRC regulators of outbound direct investments creates a further challenge to investors and financial institutions, both onshore and offshore. In this session, we will discuss the themes underpinning the objectives of the PRC regulators and consider the practical implications on execution and structuring of M&A and financing transactions.

Managers in Charge regime: who exactly is in charge?

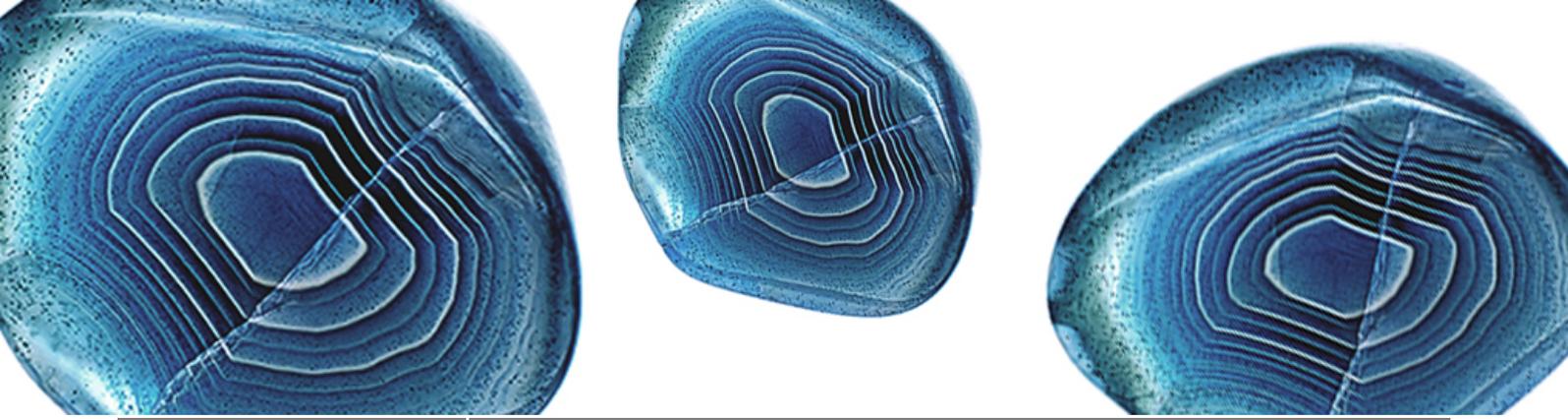
Wed 29 March 2017
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Who exactly is in Charge? The new Managers-In-Charge regime announced by the SFC at the end of last year places more emphasis and scrutiny on the role of senior management and executives of licensed corporations. With the new requirements kicking off from April this year and submissions by existing licensed corporations made to the SFC required on or before 17 July 2017, time is tight for those needing to bring their internal policies and procedures in compliance. Do you know how this is going to affect you? Our lawyers will explain the regime, the legal and regulatory implications (and potential liability) for a firm and individuals as well as some practical considerations and steps that firms and individuals might take. Registration for this seminar will be available from 15 March 2017.

Fintech - Emerging trends and potential headwinds

Wed 22 March 2017
12.30pm - 1.45pm

In this seminar, we separate the hype from the justified excitement at the opportunities in the emerging Fintech industry, by considering developing trends among startups and incumbents in Hong Kong and Asia more broadly. We also examine regulatory and other headwinds that the industry may face, including considering recent examples. Registration for this seminar will be available from 8 March 2017.



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