



# FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT IN ASIA SEMINAR

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# ABOUT THE SEMINAR

The Financial Times of London has recently reported that the new Asian Century will begin next year. It is also said the future of Asia is the digital economy. What is the Asian Century? In a world of BREXIT, trade wars, de-globalization and disruptions of the new digital economy, Asia is fast rising with many abundant opportunities for foreign investors.

Lawyers from key Asian jurisdictions will discuss the 'Doing Business' and foreign investment environment in their respective jurisdictions, covering for example:



- the correlation between trade wars and investments in shifting supply chains and factories
- impact of the Belt And Road Initiative and mushrooming business and investment opportunities
- disruptions and new opportunities of the digital economy for foreign investors
- legal and regulatory framework and requirements for foreign businesses, state or governmental agencies or bodies to take note of, laws governing entry and establishment of businesses, immigration requirements for businesses, any restriction as to foreign ownership
- ownership of landed property by foreigners, ability of foreign lawyers to advise, practice or accompany their foreign clients and any particular programs or initiatives by the government to encourage foreign investments.

To this will be added further information from other Asian jurisdictions that will focus on primarily on mobility of lawyers as it relates to regulatory conditions for foreign lawyers and a session on Asian-European business relations.

**"The new Asian Century will begin next year." - Financial Times of London**



# ABOUT LAWASIA

LAWASIA, the Law Association for Asia and the Pacific, is an international organisation of legal bodies, lawyers, judges, legal academics and others, which focuses on the interests and concerns of legal professionals in the Asia Pacific.

Established in 1966, LAWASIA represents over forty member organisations, as well as individual members from more than fifty jurisdictions worldwide.

Its mission is to promote universally high standards of legal practice and continuing legal education, to be a voice of the legal community of the region, to uphold the rule of law, and to protect human rights across the diverse political, cultural, social and economic contexts of the Asia Pacific Region.



# ABOUT BRAK

The German Federal Bar (BRAK) is the umbrella organization of the 28 Regional Bars in Germany.

It gives the legal profession of Germany, consisting of nearly 165.000 lawyers, a united voice and safeguards the professional interest of lawyers in Germany at a federal, European and international level.

As a self-regulating organisation the BRAK takes care of the issues of the legal profession by implementing legislation to regulate professional conduct of lawyers. The BRAK also takes part in legislative procedures by contributing expert opinions and reports which have been prepared by expert committees.

Furthermore the BRAK is in regular and lively exchange with representatives of foreign Bars and Law Societies from all over the world – including organisations from North America, Western and Eastern Europe as well as Asia and the Pacific region.

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## LOCATION

Frankfurt, Germany

## DATE

6th September 2019

## VENUE

**IHK Frankfurt am Main**

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60313 Frankfurt am Main

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Facilitator:

Mr Christopher Leong | President, LAWASIA (MALAYSIA)

Dr. Martin Abend | Vice-President, The German Federal Bar (GERMANY)

9.30 **OPENING CEREMONY**

Ms Melanie Nolte | Vice-President, IHK Frankfurt am Main (GERMANY)

Dr. Martin Abend | Vice-President, The German Federal Bar (GERMANY)

Mr Christopher Leong | President, LAWASIA (MALAYSIA)

10.00 **FDI SEMINAR INTRODUCTION**

“Lawyers As Architects Of Business And Economic Value Creation In The New Asian Century”

Mr. Jeff Leong | Chairman, Corporate, Securities & Investment Law Committee, LAWASIA

10.15 **Morning Tea**

10.45 **HOT ASIAN FDI DESTINATIONS IN THE NEW ASIAN CENTURY**

Malaysia: Malaysia As A Top Destination For Foreign Investments In Asia

Mr Jeff Leong | Jeff Leong, Poon & Wong (MALAYSIA)

China : The New Law And Environment For Foreign Investments In China

Mr Davy Shan | ETR Law Office (CHINA)

Indonesia: Indonesia Investment Update- Back To The Future?

Mr Michael Scott Carl I Soewito, Suhardiman Eddymurthy Kardono (INDONESIA)

Japan: Investment in Japan - A Developed Legal Environment With Strong Ties To German law

Mr Michael Müller I Mueller Foreign Law Office (JAPAN)

12.00 **Lunch**

13.00 **HOT ASIAN FDI DESTINATIONS IN THE NEW ASIAN CENTURY**

India: Minimizing Risks And Maximizing Opportunities In India

Mr Paurush Kumar | Trinaya Legal (INDIA)

Sri Lanka: Foreign Investments In Sri Lanka

Mr Upul Jayasuriya I Former Chairman, Board of Investment Of Sri Lanka

Cambodia: Investing In Cambodia - Opportunities & Challenges

Mr Song Meng | Meng & Associates (CAMBODIA)

Q&A Session

Vietnam: Foreign Investments In Vietnam – Opportunities & Challenges

Mr Alphonse Nguyen I JLPW Vinh An Legal (VIETNAM)

**Philippines: Navigating Successfully Investments In The Philippines**

**Ms Bernadeth A.Lim | Ocampo Manalo Valdez and Lim Law Firm (PHILIPPINES)**

**South Korea: Investment in Korea – Business Culture and Legal Background**

**Mr Joachim Nowak | Lee & Koo (SOUTH KOREA)**

**Q&A Session)**

**15.00 Tea Break**

**15.30 MOBILITY OF LAWYERS : Regulations For Foreign Lawyers (Round Table Discussion)**

**Germany**

**Dr. Michael Griem | President Regional Bar Frankfurt (GERMANY)**

**India**

**Mr Prashant Kumar | President-Elect, The Bar Association of India (INDIA)**

**Indonesia**

**Mr Michael Scott Carl | Soewito, Suhardiman Eddymurthy Kardono (INDONESIA)**

**Australia**

**Mr. Justin Dowd | Vice President LAWASIA (AUSTRALIA)**

**16.30 Social Networking Drinks**