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EXECUTIVE PROGRAMME FOR LEGAL PROFESSIONALS

Finance for Legal Professionals

30 – 31 July 2009, 9.30am – 5.00pm

Viewing Gallery, Level 8, Supreme Court Building

Introduction

The outbreak of the financial market crisis has sent shock waves to the global real economy. Many companies and individuals have suffered heavy losses in their hedging strategies and investment portfolios. Derivatives and structured instruments have played a significant role in this major upheaval. This crisis reminds us of the importance of having a good grasp of core financial concepts and an understanding of new financial instruments in today's world. This 2-day intensive finance workshop is designed for legal professionals to have a good intuitive understanding of the following two fields of finance that are relevant to the majority of legal professionals:

- Business valuation
- Derivatives and complex financial instruments

This is an application-oriented course that makes use of case studies to illustrate key concepts. Class size for this programme will be strictly capped to tutorial group size to enable optimal interaction between attendees and the speaker.

Contents

1. Business valuation: Principles and Techniques
 - (a) Asset pricing - theories and hypotheses
 - (b) Discounted cash flow valuation in practice
 - (c) Relative valuation: ratios and comparables
2. Derivative and complex financial instruments
 - (a) Understanding Key Derivatives
 - Forward and Futures
 - Swaps
 - Options and Exotic options
 - CDS and CDO
 - Others
 - (b) Structured financial instruments
 - (c) Business and investment applications

Highly Recommended for:

- Transactional lawyers, in particular those practising in the fields of M&A; derivative finance; investment advisory; corporate restructuring; private equity, hedge fund and venture capital advisory
- Litigation lawyers with significant volume of finance-related dispute resolution work
- In-house counsel, especially those working in financial institutions, private equity, hedge fund and venture capital firms, and sovereign wealth funds
- Legal service officers involved in finance-related litigation/appellate work and financial policy-making
- Academics teaching in corporate finance-related fields

What past participants say:

"The speaker is excellent and is able to explain the concepts very clearly."

"An excellent and worthwhile presentation."

Speaker



Associate Professor Low Buen Sin PhD, CFA, CPA

Prof Low is the Associate Professor of Finance and the Director of the MSc (Financial Engineering) Programme at the Nanyang Technological

University (NTU). Prior to joining the academia, he worked as an external auditor in an international accounting firm, and as a treasury dealer in the banking sector.

His research and teaching interests are in corporate finance, financial engineering, and investment. He received the NTU MSc (Financial Engineering) Programme Teacher of The Year Award in 2007. In 2008, he received the NTU Best Teacher Award for the Banking and Finance Division. His publications have appeared in the Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis, Journal of Futures Markets, Journal of Business Finance and Accounting, among others. In 2005, he received the NTU Researcher of The Year Award for Banking and Finance.

Prof Low has been actively involved in industry consultation and has conducted well-received in-house executive seminars for major organizations. He is currently appointed as an external resource person on Derivatives and Structured Products for UBS Wealth Management technical skill programme. He was also appointed as the Technical Consultant for Ernst & Young, Transaction Advisory Services from 2004 to 2008. Some other organizations that he has provided professional services are AIA, Air Liquide, Bank of China, China Construction Bank, China Merchant Bank, Citigroup, DBS Bank, KPMG, MobileOne (M1), OCBC Bank, SGX, Singapore Food Industries, ST Engineering, Singapore Foreign Exchange Market Committee, and the former Singapore Technologies Pte Ltd. He was also appointed as a project consultant in the area of finance for the United Nations from 1994 to 1998.

Daily Programme

- 9:00am Registration
- 9:30am Presentation I + Q&A
- 10:45am Morning Tea
- 11:15am Presentation II + Q&A
- 12:30pm Lunch
- 2:00pm Presentation III + Q&A
- 3:15pm Afternoon Tea
- 3:45pm Presentation IV + Q&A
- 5.00pm End

Registration Form

(Closing date: 27 July 2009)

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 - b) by fax to: (65) 6334 4940
 - c) by mail to: LES Department, Singapore Academy of Law, 1 Supreme Court Lane, Level 6 Singapore 178879
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