Overview

In a short span of a few decades, we have witnessed tremendous growth in the development of Information and Communications Technology ("ICT"). The impact of such technology on the economy and society at large is undeniably huge. As we grapple with the ‘new normal’ and transition to an era of ‘social distancing’, the significance of these forms of technology in our everyday lives becomes even more apparent. The law and the policy objectives behind the slew of rules for online engagement and data governance as well as for the development of artificial intelligence will influence and steer future developments in ICT regulation. As such, it is timely to take stock of where ICT law stands at present and understand (even possibly predict) its future directions.

The speakers in this webinar will examine some of the more salient developments in the legal and regulatory landscape for ICT and share their insights on a number of changes that can be expected in Singapore in light of future developments in a post-pandemic world. More specifically, they will examine the application of the POFMA in its first year, the latest regulations and rules from the POFMA Office and the issues arising from the nascent jurisprudence on the Act. The latest developments in relation to the law on electronic transactions and computer crime – both locally and globally – will also be covered. The webinar will also include an analysis of the Personal Data Protection (Amendment) Bill and the significant changes that will be made to this area of law when it is passed and enters into effect.

Where intellectual property law is concerned, the legal issues surrounding the various tools used in the online infrastructural landscape will be canvassed – e.g., what are the implications in trade mark law for unauthorised meta-tagging and keyword advertising, and the copyright ramifications for supplying hyperlinks to unlicensed content on the Internet? The speakers will also consider how effective copyright law is in regulating new technologies and online services, such as those provided by streaming and time-shifting technologies as well as peer-to-peer file-sharing platforms.

Programme

2.00 PM  Participants to log in to Webinar

2.30 PM  Opening Remarks by Justice Aedit Abdullah

2.40 PM  Presentations by Associate Professor Warren Chik, School of Law, Singapore Management University
          Associate Professor Saw Cheng Lim, School of Law, Singapore Management University

3.15 PM  Panel Discussion and Q&A.

Moderators: Associate Professor Warren Chik
Association Professor Saw Cheng Lim

Panellists: Mr Adrian Fisher, Linklaters Singapore Pte Ltd
Mr Steve Tan, Rajah & Tann Singapore LLP

4.00 PM  End
Speakers

Associate Professor Warren Chik
School of Law, Singapore Management University

Warren B Chik is an Associate Professor of Law with the Singapore Management University School of Law and Deputy Director of the Centre for Artificial Intelligence and Data Governance. He holds a Bachelor of Laws degree from the National University of Singapore Law School and Master of Laws degrees from University College London and Tulane University. He is also called to the bar in Singapore, London and Wales, and New York. Warren researches and writes predominantly in the area of infocomm technology and the law, in particular in the areas of Internet intermediaries law and data protection and privacy law.

Associate Professor Saw Cheng Lim
School of Law, Singapore Management University

Saw Cheng Lim is an Associate Professor of Law at the Singapore Management University where he has taught for more than 20 years. His research interests lie mainly in the law of intellectual property and he has published widely in both local and leading international journals. A number of his articles have also been cited and endorsed by the Singapore High Court and the Singapore Court of Appeal. Cheng Lim holds a Bachelor of Laws degree from the National University of Singapore and a Master of Laws degree from the University of Cambridge. He is also an Advocate and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Singapore.

Panellists

Mr Adrian Fisher
Partner, Linklaters Singapore Pte Ltd

Adrian leads the firm’s TMT practice in Asia and co-heads the firm’s global Telecoms, Media and Business Services sector, based in our Singapore office. He supports clients on complex technology transactions and legal issues relating to their use of technology. Adrian advises on both transactional projects such as technology procurement, collaboration arrangements and outsourcing, and advisory matters focusing on data privacy, cybersecurity and technology risk management.

Adrian has worked in the firm’s Singapore and Shanghai offices, as well as in the Sydney and Hong Kong offices of our Australian alliance partner Allens. Adrian moved to Singapore in 2014 to set up the firm’s Asian TMT capability. Adrian has more than 13 years’ experience advising clients across Asia on both transactional projects such as technology procurement, collaboration arrangements and outsourcing, and advisory matters focusing on regulatory issues, data privacy, cybersecurity and technology risk management.

As digital transformation has become a key business focus, Adrian has supported on novel and innovative transactions from setting up digital-only banks, to helping clients build AI-enabled tech platforms, to working closely with clients to deal with the consequences of cyber attacks and data breach.

Prior to working in private practice, Adrian’s worked as a legal officer at the World Intellectual Property Organisation in Geneva, Switzerland. Adrian has worked in private practice in Australia, Hong Kong, China and Singapore.
Panellists

Mr Steve Tan
Partner, Rajah & Tann Singapore LLP

Steve is a Partner and Deputy Head in Rajah & Tann Singapore’s TMT (Technology, Media and Telecommunications) practice group. Steve practices Data Protection, Cybersecurity, Information Technology, Intellectual Property, and Digital Media / Entertainment law. He has been recognized as a leading lawyer for media and telecommunications in the PLC Cross-border Media and Communications Handbook; and for TMT (Technology, Media and Telecommunications) work in the Asia Pacific Legal 500 2010 to 2019; the AsiaLaw Profiles 2011, 2012; the Practical Law Company Which Lawyer; and Chambers Asia Pacific 2013 to 2019. Steve is cited as a leading lawyer for Technology law in Best Lawyers 2013 to 2019, and The International Who’s Who of Telecoms and Media Lawyers. Steve is recognised as a leading lawyer in Who’s Who Legal: Data 2019 for (i) Telecoms & Media, (ii) Data Security, and (iii) Data Privacy & Protection. Steve is cited as "one of the best in the field of personal data protection" in Legal 500 2017. In Legal 500 2019, Steve is cited as being "one of the gurus in the field of data protection". Steve achieved top 10 in the Financial Times (FT) Asia-Pacific Innovative Lawyers Award 2019. Steve was additionally picked as a top 30 individual practitioner worldwide for Privacy and Data Protection in Euro-money’s Best of the Best Global Expert Guide 2019.

Steve is Adjunct Professor of the Faculty of Law of the National University of Singapore, teaching Privacy & Data Protection law.


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