Reconceptualising Global Finance and its Regulation

13-14 December 2013 (Friday and Saturday)
Academic Conference Room, 11/F Cheng Yu Tung Tower
The University of Hong Kong

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PROGRAMME

Day One: Friday, 13 December 2013

8:15       Coach pick up for guests staying at Bishop Lei International House

8:30-9:15  Registration

9:15-9:30  Welcome

Douglas Arner, University of Hong Kong
Emilios Avgouleas, University of Edinburgh
Ross Buckley, University of New South Wales

9:30-9:45  Opening Remarks

Julia Leung, SBS, JP, Under Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury, Hong Kong Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau, Hong Kong SAR Government

9:45-11:00 Opening Panel: Reconceptualising Global Finance and its Regulation

Moderator: Douglas Arner, University of Hong Kong

Speakers:

Sir William Blair, Justice of the High Court, England & Wales: Between Law and Markets: Is There a Space for Ethics in Financial Regulation?
Ross Buckley, University of New South Wales: When is a Bank not a Bank? When it is a G-SIFI

Commentator: Pierre-Hugues Verdier, University of Virginia School of Law

11:00-11:15 Break

11:15-12:30 Panel 1: The Global Financial Architecture

Moderator: Pierre-Hugues Verdier, University of Virginia School of Law

Speakers:

Michael Taylor, Moody’s: How Effective Has Been the FSB’s Attempt to “Harden” the Soft Law of International Financial Regulation?
Robert C. Hockett, Cornell University Law School: Global Macroprudence
Justin O’Brien, University of New South Wales: Singapore Sling: Mow Coercion May Cure the Hangover in Financial Benchmark Governance
12:30-1:30  Lunch

1:30-2:30  **Panel 2: Addressing Too-Big-To-Fail**

Moderator: **Ross Buckley**, University of New South Wales

Speakers:

- **Emilios Avgouleas**, University of Edinburgh: Why and How Banks Became Too-Big-To-Fail: Transactional Banking, Leverage, and Financial Innovation
- **Douglas Arner**, University of Hong Kong: Addressing SIFIs

2:30-3:45  **Panel 3: Cross-border Issues – Harmonisation and/or Conflict?**

Moderator: **Brett Graham**, Morgan Stanley

Speakers:

- **Chris Brummer**, Georgetown Law School: EU-US Regulatory Cooperation
- **David Zaring**, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania: Financial Regulation’s Overlooked Networks
- **Ruth Plato-Shinar**, Netanya Academic College, Israel: Cross-Border Banking and Bank Secrecy - towards Harmonization?

3:45-4:00  Break

4:00-5:00  **Panel 4: What Role for International Financial Centres?**

Moderator: **Robin Huang**, Chinese University of Hong Kong

Speakers:

- **Dirk Zetsche**, University of Lichtenstein: Law as a Factor in Financial Centre Development
- **Wei Shen**, Shanghai Jiao Tong University: International Financial Centres in the Context of Internationalising Renminbi

5:15  Coach pick up for guests staying at Bishop Lei International House

**Speakers’ Dinner: Foreign Correspondents’ Club of Hong Kong**

- 7:00 Drinks
- 7:30 Dinner
Day Two: Saturday, 14 December 2013

9:00    Coach pick up for guests staying at Bishop Lei International House

9:30-10:30    Panel 5: The Changing Face of Central Banking – Bubbles, Monetary Policy & Systemic Risk

Moderator: Emilios Avgouleas, University of Edinburgh

Speakers:

Donato Masciandaro, Bocconi University: Central Banker Job: The Great Reversal and its Risks
Erik Gerding, University of Colorado: Monetary Policy and Prudential Regulation: Coordination, Integration, and Institutional Design

10:30-10:45    Break

10:45-12:15    Panel 6: Corporate Governance & Culture/Ethics

Moderator: Brian Tang, ACMI

Speakers:

Iain MacNeil, University of Glasgow: Regulatory Enforcement, Focusing on How It Is Linked with Ethics and Culture in Banking and the Broader Financial Sector
Rolf H. Weber, University of Zurich: Human Rights Due Diligence as a New Policy in Banks
James Shipton, Hong Kong Securities and Futures Commission

Commentator: Say Goo, University of Hong Kong

12:15-1:15    Lunch

1:15-2:45    Panel 7: Shadow Banking and Systemic Risk: An Unresolved Challenge?

Moderator: Chao Xi, Chinese University of Hong Kong

Speakers:

Anna Gelpern, Georgetown University: Government Debt and Financial Stability
Yingmao Tang, Peking University: Shadow Banking or Bank’s Shadow: A China’s Perspective
Angela Itzikowitz, University of the Witwatersrand: Shadow Banking - a South African Perspective

Commentator: Minny Siu, King & Wood Mallesons
2:45-3:00 Break

3:00-4:15 Panel 8: Challenges in Global Securities Markets

Moderator: David Donald, Chinese University of Hong Kong

Speakers:

Robert B. Ahdieh, Emory Law School: After the Fall: The Continuing Role of Transnational Networks in International Financial Regulation

Amir N. Licht, Radzyner School of Law: What Makes the Bonding Stick? A Natural Experiment Involving the U.S. Supreme Court and Cross-Listed Firms

Cally Jordan, University of Melbourne: A Fine and Private Place: the Lex Mercatoria of Finance

4:15-4:30 Closing Speaker

The Hon. Ronald Arculli, GBM, CVO, GBS, OBE, JP, Senior Partner, King & Wood Mallesons

Discussion Moderator: Douglas Arner, University of Hong Kong

4:30 Conference Close

4:45 Coach pick up for guests staying at Bishop Lei International House