Programme
This symposium will involve discussions among academics, insolvency practitioners, judges, and government officials from mainland China, Hong Kong, the United States, and the Asia-Pacific on recent developments since the enactment of the PRC 2006 Enterprise Bankruptcy Law, which came into operation in June 2007. Topics of discussion will include liquidation, corporate restructuring, AMCs and the disposal of NPLs, and cross-border insolvency.

PART ONE: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

9:00-10:30 Session One

An Introduction to the PRC 2006 Enterprise Bankruptcy Law

Speakers:

Charles Booth, IAPBL Director & Professor, Richardson School of Law, University of Hawai‘i

Wang Weiguo, Professor, School of Civil, Commercial and Economic Law, China University of Politics and Law & Member, Drafting Group of the New Chinese Bankruptcy Law, Beijing, China

Zhang Xianchu, Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Hong Kong

10:30-11:00 Tea and Coffee Break
11:00-12:00 Session Two

The PRC 2006 Enterprise Bankruptcy Law

Speakers:

John Lees, Director, John Lees & Associates, Ltd., Hong Kong
John Marsden, Partner, Mayer Brown JSM, Shanghai
Alan Tang, Partner & Head, Restructuring, Investigation and Insolvency, Grant Thornton, Hong Kong

12:00-1:00 Lunch

PART TWO: 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

1:00-2:00 Session Three

Commercial and Investment Ramifications of the Enterprise Bankruptcy Law

Speakers:

John Ames, American Bankruptcy Institute President Elect
Brian Smith, Conway Mackenzie & Dunleavy, Shanghai
Malhar Pagay, Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones LLP, Los Angeles, CA

2:00-2:30 Tea and Coffee Break

2:30-3:30 Session Four

Asset Management Companies (AMCs) and the Disposal of Non-Performing Loans (NPLs)

Speakers:

Tim DeSieno, Bingham McCutchen LLP, NYC
George Kelakos, Kelakos Advisors, Greenwich, CT
David Madden, Partner, Angelo, Gordon & Co., Hong Kong
4:00-5:00       Session Five

Recognition of Foreign Bankruptcies in China and the Recognition of Chinese Bankruptcies by Foreign Courts

Speakers:

Evelyn Biery, Partner, Fulbright & Jaworski, Houston

William Rochelle, Bloomberg, NYC

Charles Booth, IAPBL Director & Professor, Richardson School of Law, University of Hawai‘i