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## Last of the Tai-Pans: Improving Corporate Governance in Hong Kong

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Hong Kong leads the rank tables as an international financial centre. Yet, its corporate governance policies and practices probably detract from – rather than contribute to – Hong Kong’s position as a financial centre. In this presentation, we review the data and discuss 18 specific and concrete changes to various parts of Hong Kong’s financial law needed to improve its corporate governance practices. No abstract theories – only practical data and specific legal provisions discussed. The paper can be downloaded at <http://www.law.hku.hk/aiifl/research/conference-papers.html>.



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