



## Evening Webinar

### Competition law in construction: common pitfalls and how to avoid them

30 August 2022

**Mr. Thomas Lee, on behalf of the Society of Construction Law Hong Kong (SCLHK)** invites you to an evening seminar. In recent years, the construction sector has been the subject of close regulatory attention from competition law authorities around the world, as seen from the high-profile and large-scale probes into infringements of competition law (through so-called "cartels"). In Asia, jurisdictions such as Japan and Korea have had a steady track record of enforcement in the construction sector for many years, whilst enforcement in Hong Kong and China has also increased rapidly. Cartel cases in the construction sector often involve a range of anti-competitive behaviour including price fixing, market sharing, bid rigging and the exchange of competitively sensitive information. In this presentation, we will take a closer look at how competition law risks can materialize in the construction sector, and explore ways in which companies can guard against these risks. Drinks and canapes will be served. Our speakers are:

**Adelaide Luke** is the Asia Head of Competition in Herbert Smith Freehills, one of the leading full-service global law firms. Adelaide has considerable experience in all areas of Hong Kong, EU and UK competition law, as well as of many of the competition regimes in Asia (particularly China). Her experience encompasses cartels (including in the construction sector), other horizontal arrangements including consortia and JVs, merger control, regulatory investigations (e.g. into abuses of market power), and competition litigation. She has worked for clients across many different industries, including the construction and building materials, energy and infrastructure, and property management sectors.

**Murphy Mok** is a Senior Associate in the Construction and Infrastructure team at Herbert Smith Freehills. He has extensive experience in advising major Chinese and international companies on large-scale and high value construction projects across Asia, Middle East and Africa. His work covers dispute resolution (particularly arbitration under various institutional rules), project life advisory and contract drafting and negotiations.

**Howard Chan is a Senior Associate in the Competition team at Herbert Smith Freehills.** Howard is experienced in the full spectrum of competition law, including anticompetitive agreements, abuse of dominance, and merger control. Prior to joining the Hong Kong team, Howard trained in the firm's Competition, Regulation and Trade team in London and is familiar with EU and UK competition law, as well as the competition law regimes across Asia.

Venue: The Hong Kong Club, Harcourt Suite (*Please note due to COVID-19, this venue has limited capacity – persons who register after capacity has been reached will be invited to join the event by Zoom.*)  
Date / Time: 30 August 2022; 6:30pm to 7:30pm  
Cost: Free for members of SCLHK; HK\$200 for non-members

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