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Recent Developments in Competition Law in Asia

23 April 2009, 2.30pm – 5.00pm

Mediation Chamber 1, Level 2, Supreme Court Building

Introduction

Recently, China and India introduced comprehensive competition laws. At the same time, competition regulators in other countries in Asia have started to become more active. Commercial lawyers operating in Asia need to be aware of these changes.

This seminar will survey competition laws in Asia, identifying their similarities and differences. Stress will be placed on countries that have comprehensive competition laws including China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Indonesia and Vietnam. Reference will also be made to developments in other jurisdictions such as Hong Kong, Malaysia, the Philippines and Thailand. The seminar will mainly deal with the principles underlying these laws and refer to relevant cases.

Topics to be covered include:

- The reasons why competition laws have been introduced in Asia
- Likely approaches to competition law in the major jurisdictions
- Similarities and differences in the major offences ie
 - Cartels offences
 - Abuse of dominance
 - Anti-competitive mergers
 - Other offences
- Possible future enforcement priorities
- Whether competition law will be used to promote integration of Asian economies

Highly Recommended for

- Lawyers who advise on cross-border commercial transactions
- Commercial lawyers
- Competition law regulators
- Legal Officers involved in international trade matters
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Speaker

Professor Ian McEwin



Professor Ian McEwin has extensive experience in competition law, and law and economics. He is currently Visiting Professor of Law at the National University of Singapore where he teaches courses in Asian competition law

and law and economics. Prior to joining NUS, he worked for the Ministry of Trade and Industry advising on the policy, design, drafting and implementation of Singapore's new competition law. He subsequently became Chief Economist with the Competition Commission.

Ian has held a range of academic positions in Australia in both economics departments and a law faculty. He has had visiting appointments at Oxford and the Graduate School of Business at the University of Chicago. He was the founding Director of the Centre for Law and Economics at the Australian National University. In private practice, he has worked in a law firm and as an economics expert with several international economics consulting firms. He has been an expert witness in major litigation in Australia and New Zealand in competition law including cases involving the intersection of competition and intellectual property laws. Ian has been recognised by *Global Competition Review* as a leading competition economist.

Ian is a Member of the International Antitrust and Foreign Competition Law Committee of the American Bar Association, and a former member of: the Trade Practices Committee of the Law Council of Australia. He was a member of the Law Committee of the Australian Institute of Company Directors for more than 10 years. Ian was appointed to the Advisory Group for the Australian Law Reform Commission's study on the *Adversarial System*.

Ian has degrees in economics and law (Ph.D in Economics and LLB (Hons)) from the Australian National University, and is admitted as a Legal Practitioner in the Australian Capital Territory. He recently re-joined Case Associates, London as Senior Advisor.

Programme

- 2:00pm Registration
- 2:30pm Presentation I
- 3:30pm Tea Break
- 3:50pm Presentation II
- 4:50pm Q&A
- 5:00pm End of Session

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