

## Cocktail Reception

**Event Code: CKTL26091701**



### About the topic

While the industry navigates rapid digital transformation and facing an evolving international tax landscape, this special Taxation Faculty discussion and networking event, hosted by Institute's Taxation Faculty Executive Committee (TFEC), will bring together tax professionals for an evening of meaningful exchange, thoughtful dialogue, and forward-looking perspectives on the future of taxation.

We are delighted to welcome the Commissioner of Inland Revenue (CIR), Mr. Benjamin Chan, JP, as our Guest of Honour. The event will also feature two prominent past TFEC chairs, who will share their insights on leveraging Hong Kong's preferential tax regimes, and exploring future trends in the industry, in response to evolving economic conditions and advancements in artificial intelligence (AI). Join us for fine wine, engaging conversations, and a unique opportunity to meet the CIR and President of HKICPA in person.

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### About the event

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| <b>Date &amp; Time</b>      | <b>17 September 2026, Thursday</b><br><b>6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.</b><br><b>(Registration starts at 5:30 p.m.)</b>                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Venue</b>                | HKICPA training centre,<br>27 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Wu Chung House,<br>213 Queen's Road East, Wanchai                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Fee</b>                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Taxation Faculty member: HK\$230</li> <li>HKICPA member or student; and IA: HK\$280</li> <li>Non-member: HK\$410</li> </ul> <p><b>Not a faculty member? Click <a href="#">here</a> to join.</b></p> |
| <b>Language</b>             | English                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>HKICPA CPD credit</b>    | 1 hour (subject to actual attendance)                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Rating</b>               | Advanced Level*                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Competency</b>           | Taxation*                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Participant</b>          | Members working in the field of taxation or with an interest in taxation                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Application deadline</b> | <b>Online application <u>by noon, 17 September</u></b>                                                                                                                                                                                     |

### Schedule

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| <b>17:30 – 18:00</b> | <b>Registration</b>                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>18:00 – 18:05</b> | <b>Opening remarks</b><br>Mr. Stephen Law, JP<br>President, HKICPA                                                                                                                                              |
|                      | <b>Welcome address</b><br>Mr. Eugene Yeung<br>Chair, Taxation Faculty Executive Committee, and<br>Partner, Business Tax Advisory, KPMG China                                                                    |
| <b>18:05 – 18:15</b> | <b>Address by Guest of Honour</b><br>Mr. Benjamin Chan, JP<br>Commissioner of Inland Revenue                                                                                                                    |
| <b>18:15 – 18:35</b> | <b>How to utilize tax incentives in Hong Kong effectively</b><br>Ms. Sarah Chan<br>Past chair, Taxation Faculty Executive Committee and<br>Partner, Tax and Business Advisory Services, Deloitte China          |
| <b>18:35 – 18:50</b> | <b>Future trends in tax: Responding to economic and AI developments</b><br>Mr. William Chan<br>Past chair, Taxation Faculty Executive Committee and<br>Convenor, CTSG, and Partner, Grant Thornton Tax Services |
| <b>18:50 – 19:00</b> | <b>Closing remarks</b><br>Mr. Eugene Yeung                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>19:00 – 19:10</b> | <b>Souvenir presentation and photo session</b>                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>19:10 – 20:30</b> | <b>Networking drinks</b>                                                                                                                                                                                        |

\* Please refer [here](#) for descriptions of the various ratings.



## About the speakers

### **Benjamin Chan, JP** **Commissioner of Inland Revenue**

Mr. Chan is the Commissioner of Inland Revenue. He joined the Inland Revenue Department (IRD) as an Assistant Assessor in 1998 and was appointed to his current post in October 2024. During his career with the IRD, Mr. Chan has handled work of different nature including tax assessment, tax audit and investigation, stamp duty, tax appeals, technical research and international taxation. He is the head of the Hong Kong delegation in treaty negotiations and takes charge of the work relating to BEPS 2.0 and other technical legislative amendments. He is a member of HKICPA.

### **William Chan** **Past chair, Taxation Faculty Executive Committee and Convenor, CTSG, and Partner, Grant Thornton Tax Services**

William is a partner of tax services at Grant Thornton Hong Kong Limited, a member firm of Grant Thornton International Ltd. He has over 20 years of experience in providing tax services. Prior to joining Grant Thornton Hong Kong, he worked in Big Four firms in the UK, Hong Kong and Mainland China.

William's expertise focuses on tax due diligence and transaction-related tax advisory work, including pre-deal structuring and post-deal integration tax services. He also specializes in cross-border tax advisory and has extensive experience in advising on suitable investment structures and vehicles for multi-national companies investing in Hong Kong and Mainland China, and for PRC companies investing overseas. He has previously stationed in Shanghai for five years and advised on many domestic companies in their onshore and offshore acquisitions.

William is a Chartered Accountant (Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales) and a Certified Public Accountant in Hong Kong. He is also a Chartered Tax Adviser (The Taxation Institute of Hong Kong) and Certified Tax Agent in Qianhai Shenzhen. He was the TFEC chair during 2021 to 2022.

### **Sarah Chan** **Past chair, Taxation Faculty Executive Committee and Partner, Tax and Business Advisory Services, Deloitte China**

Having previously worked in China and the USA, Sarah has extensive experience in advising multinational corporations on structuring transactions, business reorganization, operational re-modelling, cross-border financing and exploring investment options and exit plans. Her expertise also includes resolving contentious issues and disputes with local tax authorities and managing tax, financial and regulatory reporting of companies with multi-jurisdictions operations. Sarah's main industry focuses are technology, consumer and industrial products, professional and financial services.

Sarah is a fellow member of HKICPA, ACCA and TIHK. She was the TFEC chair during 2022 to 2024.

## Chairman

### **Eugene Yeung** **Chair, Taxation Faculty Executive Committee, and Partner, Business Tax Advisory, KPMG China**



## Registration

- **Complete online registration by noon, 17 September** or offline enrolment by post by 11 September:

Please complete the enrolment form and return it to the Institute by 11 September, together with full payment. Cheques should be made payable to "Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants" or "HKICPA". Fax registration will be accepted for payment by any VISA/ Master card or the BOC HKICPA UnionPay card.

**You may consider your registration to be successful unless you receive notification from us to the contrary.**

- **Enrolments will be accepted on a first-come-first-served basis with priority given to TF members in the event of over subscription.**
- **Contact Mr. Terry Lam at 2287-7386 for enquiry.**

## Remarks

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