

Tax audit workshop:

Practical Approaches for IRD Tax Audits Resolution – From Cradle to Resolution
(including IRD's new approach for file selection)

Event code: SCPD26103001

About the topic

Recent changes in local tax laws, along with evolving trends in the international tax landscape, have led the Inland Revenue Department (IRD) to toughen their tax audit approach to cover a broader array of matters, expand the file selection scope, and adopt a more stringent stance during the whole process of the tax audit.

In today's economic climate, taxpayers subject to tax audits may encounter not only possible financial consequences, but also the challenge of reallocating crucial resources away from their regular business activities to manage audit-related tasks. Consequently, it is important for taxpayers to remain fully engaged throughout every phase of the process and to take appropriate action to expedite the resolution of the audit.

During this workshop, the presenters will utilize the latest case examples to illustrate how the IRD has broadened its criteria for selecting audit files. They will also showcase practical techniques and diverse strategies to resolve tax audits. Participants will be guided step-by-step through the entire process, from the initial stages to the final resolution of a tax audit.

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About the event

Date & Time Friday, 30 October & 6 November 2026
1:00 – 5:00 pm

Venue HKICPA training centre,
27th Floor, Wu Chung House,
213 Queen's Road East, Wanchai

Fee

- Taxation Faculty member: HK\$620
- HKICPA member or student; and IA: HK\$720
- Non-member: HK\$980

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Language Cantonese with English terminology

**HKICPA
CPD credit** 8 hours (subject to actual attendance)

Rating Intermediate level*

Competency Taxation*

Participant Members working in the field of taxation or with an interest in taxation

**Application
deadline** **26 October 2026**
(offline enrolment by 23 October 2026)

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

Speakers

Philip Hung
Director,
Tax Controversy Services, PwC

Felix Tsang
Associate Director,
Tax Controversy Services, PwC

Rundown

12:45pm Registration (Note)
1:00pm Introduction
1:05pm Presentation
3:00pm Break
3:10pm Presentation
4:50pm Q&A / Discussion
5:00pm Closing

Note: Light refreshment will be provided during the workshop.



About the seminar

Practical Approaches in Handling IRD Tax Audits – From Cradle to Resolution

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Part I on Friday, 30 October 2026

Course outline:

Introduction to IRD tax audits

The speakers will discuss the following topics:

- IRD's structure, new management and its relevance to handling tax audits.
- The tax audit process and significance of each step.
- Common trigger points of a tax audit and recent issues that have arisen.
- The importance of the initial interview during a tax audit, and dos and don'ts during the interview for the taxpayer and tax representative.
- Common mistakes when handling a tax audit.

Part II on Friday, 6 November 2026

Course outline:

Practical approach in handling tax audits

The speakers will share their practical experience on the following topics:

- What kinds of information are essential for resolving tax audits?
- Ways and means to resolve a tax audit case and different approaches used for different scenarios.
- How to mitigate possible penalties?
- Case studies
- Q&A



About the speakers

Philip Hung

Director, Tax Controversy Services, PwC Hong Kong

Philip has over 35 years' experience in Hong Kong taxation with six years in IRD. He is a well-known expert in the tax field and investigation specialty. After he left the IRD, Philip concentrated in assisting clients in handling tax investigation and field audit cases. Philip is the first in the field to set up a specialised team to handle the IRD's tax investigation and field audit cases for clients in the industry. His clients include small and medium enterprises (SMEs), listed companies and various multinational corporations, involving complicated cases, such as worldwide onshore/offshore claims, disputes on contract processing and import processing arrangements, transfer pricing adjustments, etc.

Philip is a regular speaker on tax audits and frequently contributes newspaper and magazines articles on related topics.

Felix Tsang

Associate Director, Tax Controversy Services, PwC Hong Kong

Felix has over 15 years of experience in resolving tax audits, tax investigation and other tax disputes for multinational corporations and local SMEs in different industries, including manufacturing, services, fund management and charitable institutions, and involving a diverse range of issues, such as offshore claims, cross-border transactions, contract / import processing arrangements, anti-avoidance, transfer pricing, tax exemption claims and Board of Review proceedings.

With insights in tax dispute resolution, Felix also has comprehensive experience in providing practical tax and business advice from a dispute prevention angle, including tax health checks, defence file building, post-audit restructuring, tax due diligence, fee structure for fund management, and charity set ups.

Registration

- **Online enrolment by 26 October; offline enrolment by post also by 23 October:**

Complete the enrolment form and return it to the Institute by 23 October, together with full payment. Cheques should be made payable to "Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants" or "HKICPA". Email 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 the Institute's members.
- **Contact Mr. Terry Lam at 2287-7386 for enquiry.**

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