

Update on UK tax & customs legislation relevant to Hong Kong

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About the topic

Uncertainties in Brexit may mean business opportunities to some people. There is an increasing trend for Hong Kong individuals and corporate making investments into the UK. These investments may include buying properties, merger and acquisition deals. While it seems that money is all you need for making outbound investments to the UK, do you really understand and aware of the regulatory and compliance requirements in the UK in relation to your investments in the UK?

Three representatives of Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs ("HMRC") will present to members on recent trends and changes to UK tax legislation that affect businesses and individuals in Hong Kong and Asia.

The speakers will cover the following topics in the seminar:

- property tax implications for making real estate investment in the UK;
- inheritance tax for non-residents with assets in the UK;
- no safe havens – HMRC's offshore strategy;
- the common reporting standards, the requirement to correct and the mandatory disclosure rules; and
- the Corporate Criminal Offences of Failure to Prevent the Facilitation of Tax Evasion – international implications of failing to prevent staff facilitating tax evasion

There will be an opportunity to ask questions and make contact with HMRC's officers in Asia; to ask the questions that your clients may soon be asking you.

About the event

Date & Time	31 May 2019, Friday 7:00 – 8:30 pm
Venue	The Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce 22/F., United Centre, 95 Queensway, Hong Kong
Fee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taxation Faculty member: HK\$120 • HKICPA member or student; and IA/ HKIAAT's member or student: HK\$150 • Non-member: HK\$330 <p><i>Not a faculty member? Click here to join.</i></p>
Language	English
HKICPA CPD credit	1.5 hour (subject to actual attendance)
Rating	Advanced level*
Competency	Taxation*
Application deadline	28 May 2019

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Speaker

David James

Her Majesty's First Secretary, Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs

Sean McGrath

Her Majesty's First Secretary, British Embassy Beijing, Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs

Carl John Wilkins

Her Majesty's Consul, Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs

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Convenor, Taxation Faculty China Tax Subcommittee, Member, Taxation Faculty Executive Committee, and Partner, Grant Thornton Tax Services



About the speaker

David James

Her Majesty's First Secretary, Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs

David is the currently lead for the HMRC's Fiscal Crime Liaison Office attached to the British High Commission in Singapore.

David is a fully trained Tax Inspector with 17 years of experience in investigating serious tax fraud and avoidance in the UK. He led teams dealing with all types of fraud from individuals and the largest corporations. David also led HMRC's strategic response to Stamp Duty Land Tax avoidance which identified and recovered hundreds of millions of pounds of hitherto unknown avoided tax.

He works with Government authorities and financial institutions seeking to create an environment that minimises fiscal crime.

Sean McGrath

Her Majesty's First Secretary, British Embassy Beijing, Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs

Sean leads the Fiscal Crime Liaison Office (FCLO) attached to the British Embassy in Beijing. In addition to the People's Republic of China, he also has regional responsibility for Japan, the Republic of Korea and Mongolia.

Sean has over 26 years' experience in the area of customs enforcement and is a criminal investigation and intelligence specialist. Currently his role focuses on the disruption of the international trade of illicit cigarette and tobacco products, as well as preventing customs fraud, money laundering and direct and indirect tax evasion.

Sean liaises closely with international partners & UK Government departments to protect the fiscal integrity and border security of the UK and to prevent and disrupt serious and organised crime.

In January 2018, Sean was awarded the World Customs Organisation's International Certificate of Merit for his work in promoting a secure international business environment for economic development.

Carl John Wilkins

Her Majesty's Consul, Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs

Carl currently runs the Fiscal Crime Liaison Office (FCLO) attached to the British Consulate-General, Hong Kong. In addition to Hong Kong, he also have regional responsibility for a number of countries including Macau, Taiwan, Philippines, Thailand, Laos, Cambodia and Myanmar.

Carl works closely with other UK and international partners to protect the UK's borders and prevent and disrupt fiscal crime.

Carl's previous roles in HM Revenue & Customs have involved leading on the investigation & recovery of evaded UK tax and duties lost to the Exchequer through the fraudulent actions of UK nationals.

Carl is a Certified Anti Money Laundering Specialist (CAMS) and qualified UK Inspector of Taxes & Fraud Investigator.

Registration

- Complete online registration [by 28 May 2019](#). **Contact Betsy Liang at 2287 7009 for enquiry.**



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