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The Royale Chulan, Kuala Lumpur

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WATCH OUT for sessions on how technological advances will affect the provision of legal services; the impact of reform in libel and slander law on the law of defamation; the implications of the new Construction Industry Payment and Adjudication Act 2012; and MANY OTHERS.

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CONFIRMED SPEAKERS



EASON RAJAH QC

Barrister
Ten Old Square Chambers, UK

Eason Rajah QC was called to the Bar of England and Wales in 1989 and appointed Queen's Counsel in 2011. He was called to the Malaysian Bar in 1991. His practice is chancery litigation and advisory work in the UK and offshore. This includes domestic, offshore and cross-border trust and will disputes, related tax and professional negligence issues, drafting, structuring and advising in matters of trusts, succession planning, tax, and related areas.



JOHARI RAZAK

Partner
Shearn Delamore & Co

Johari Razak was called to the Bar of England and Wales in 1976, and to the Malaysian Bar in 1977. Among his practice areas are competition law; compliance; audit, investigations and dawn raids; dispute resolution; regulatory advice and enforcement; and interaction between competition law and tax law.



ADLIN ABDUL MAJID

Partner
Lee Hishammuddin Allen & Gledhill

Adlin Abdul Majid heads her firm's regulatory and compliance team, and works with both multinational and local companies on compliance programmes for their business operations, with focus on the Competition Act 2010 and the Personal Data Protection Act 2010.



Revolutionising the Profession, Radicalising the Lawyers and Reshaping the Solutions

Around the world, innovation through the use of non-traditional legal tools has taken a foothold in the profession, and flattened the legal landscape. Big law firms have restructured and small firms, merged. "Recruitment agencies" executing outsourcing strategies are now delivering template legal services on a fixed-fee basis; and e-discovery specialists in India and Belfast are eating into the work of lawyers at substantially discounted rates.

With the use of technology, competition in the free market among lawyers has intensified. Consumers today demand speedy, high-quality legal services delivered at lower cost. Law firms continually seek to expand their share of the pie in the market, but the quality of legal education has dropped although more and more lawyers are being admitted to the Malaysian Bar every year.

Given that foreign lawyers will be able to operate in Malaysia very soon, the profession is at the cusp of a major transition. Are we ready to meet these challenges, and transform into "unconventional" law firms that will create a great working environment, and at the same time sustain a platform to invent new growth value and opportunities for ourselves and our clients? The call is to think out of the box.

This interactive, practical session with experienced moderators will crowd-source solutions you can use in your practice on the following themes:

- (1) Information technology and online tools;
- (2) The reshaping and reorganisation of law firm structure;
- (3) Legal education and legal realism; and
- (4) Human resource — attracting and retaining talent.

Local and international speakers promise to provide you, across a few sessions, with comprehensive ideas that are self-executable, to move ahead of your peers and competitors before they realise it!

Embracing the Age of Personal Data Protection

Now that the dust has settled and the Personal Data Protection Act 2010 ("PDPA") is fully in force, the Malaysian data protection scene is slowly shaping up to join the global data protection movement. With companies actively seeking to understand the importance of PDPA compliance, a discussion on issues and experiences with the PDPA is timely. In this session, seasoned data protection practitioners will tackle issues from both pre- and post-compliance viewpoints. The speakers will deal with not just the intricacies of compliance *per se*, but also the handling of complaints, the wide powers of the Personal Data Protection Commissioner, and a global analysis of enforcement regimes. This session will be led by Lee Hishammuddin Allen & Gledhill.

Lee Hishammuddin Allen & Gledhill
★ advocates and solicitors

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Electronic Discovery and Admissibility of Electronically-Stored Information

In an age when most, if not all, commercial and business communications are conducted electronically, either through e-mails, social media, websites, text messaging or computed documents, it is increasingly important to examine the admissibility and presentation in Court of electronically- or digitally-stored information. This session will explore issues relating to the admissibility of such evidence, and will highlight methods of e-discovery, ie the identification, compilation, processing, categorisation and verification of electronically-stored information for the purposes of legal proceedings. The latest developments in forensic technology in relation to investigation, retrieval and preservation of electronically-stored evidence for use in Court, will also be examined.

Wealth Protection and Preservation Eason Rajah QC

The creation of wealth itself, especially new wealth, gives rise to many legal issues relating to trust, succession, matrimonial disputes, family company disputes and government intervention. As the Asia-Pacific region continues to develop and generate new wealth rapidly, these issues assume greater importance.

Eason Rajah QC will address these matters, as well as cultural, Syariah and cross-border considerations.

Tax Considerations for Corporations and Businesses

The Goods and Services Tax ("GST") is scheduled to take effect on 1 Apr 2015. This session will highlight GST-related considerations in corporate and business transactions and legal matters, including reviewable and non-reviewable contracts, contract sums inclusive of GST, and preparation for GST audits. It will also address other key developments in taxation that are of interest to corporate lawyers and in-house counsel, such as updates on withholding tax provisions, and the importance of tax review and due diligence in merger and acquisition transactions.

Corporate Exercises vs Consumer Protection Laws — Running the Gauntlet

With increased globalisation comes the need to introduce level playing fields for consumer and enterprise alike. The last few years have seen an increase in consumer protection laws aimed at protecting the public against the onslaught of enterprises seeking to maximise profitability. This session will look at the tensions between the rights of individuals and those of enterprises in the context of the Competition Act 2010 and PDPA; whether these are managed sufficiently by legislative provisions; and the pitfalls to avoid in the conduct of commercial activity. It will also discuss, in the context of corporate mergers and acquisitions, the potential minefield for due diligence exercises in an increasingly regulated environment. This session will be led by Shearn Delamore & Co.

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