Despite widespread disruption caused by the pandemic, Hong Kong has all along been a prime venue for providing international legal and dispute resolution services. Hong Kong has a robust legal foundation and is centrally located as a major hub in the Greater Bay Area and along the Belt and Road, demonstrating its distinctive strength afforded by ‘One Country, Two Systems’. With a strong judicial and legal system, in addition to its dispute resolution friendly initiatives as well as close connection and cooperation with the Mainland, Hong Kong's position as a leading international legal hub for deal-making and dispute resolution services cannot be understated.

In this Webinar, leading legal and dispute resolution practitioners, including those who are heavily involved in advising their international clients, will explain why Hong Kong is irreplaceable. Panellists will discuss and highlight Hong Kong's unique strengths as a legal hub for deal-making and dispute resolution services in the Asia-Pacific region and a gateway to the Mainland of China for doing international businesses.

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# Why Hong Kong Is Irreplaceable

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  Chairman, Asian Academy of International Law
- **Mr Stephen Phillips**
  Director-General of Investment Promotion, Invest Hong Kong

## Keynote Speech
- **Mr Eddie Yue JP**
  Chief Executive, Hong Kong Monetary Authority

## Panel I: Deal-Making

### Convenor
- **Mr Martin Rogers**
  Partner & Chair (Asia), Davis Polk

### Panelists
- **Mr Paul Starr**
  Partner, King & Wood Mallesons
- **Mr Tommy Tong**
  Partner, Herbert Smith Freehills
- **Mr Conrad Chan**
  Partner, Kwok Yih & Chan
- **Ms Carmen Kan**
  General Counsel, Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited

## Panel II: Dispute Resolution

### Convenor
- **Dr Thomas So JP**
  Partner, Mayer Brown

### Panelists
- **Mr David W. Rivkin**
  Partner, Debevoise & Plimpton LLP
- **Mr Brian Gilchrist**
  Partner, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP
- **Ms Susan Munro**
  Partner, Steptoe & Johnson HK LLP
- **Mr John Choong**
  Partner, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer

## Conclusions and Q&A
- **Ms Teresa Cheng GBS SC JP**
  Secretary for Justice, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People’s Republic of China