

OffshoreAlert Bangkok 2024

Date: 02/28/2024 - 02/29/2024

Location: Siam Kempinski Hotel Bangkok

Wed Feb 28

8:00 AM

Networking

8:00 AM - 8:45 AM GMT+7 (45 Min)

Networking Breakfast sponsored by Perun Consultants

Chadra Ballroom 3

8:45 AM

General

8:45 AM - 9:00 AM GMT+7 (15 Min)

Opening Remarks

Chadra Ballroom 1 & 2



David Marchant

Founder, Owner & Editor
OffshoreAlert

9:00 AM

General

Investigations

9:00 AM - 9:45 AM GMT+7 (45 Min)

Hindenburg Research vs. Asia's Richest Person (Gautam Adani)

Chadra Ballroom 1 & 2

This session will look at an investigation by a small U.S. short-seller, Hindenburg Research, into Indian industrialist Gautam Adani, who at the time was considered to be Asia's richest person (and the third richest person in the world), a position he lost when his estimated net worth plummeted from \$120 billion to \$46 billion within three weeks of Hindenburg's allegations of accounting fraud and stock manipulation, while his Adani Group's market value fell by \$134 billion during the same period.



Anand Mangnale

Regional Editor, South Asia
OCCRP



Chris Scott

Founder
Slateford



Michael Harrington

Principal
Control Risks

9:45 AM

Crypto

General

Intelligence

Investigations

9:45 AM - 10:45 AM GMT+7 (1 Hour)

The Rise of 'Sha Zhu Pan' Scams ('Pig Butchering')

Chadra Ballroom 1 & 2

This session will look at the proliferation in Southeast Asia of 'Sha Zhu Pan' scams, a.k.a. 'Pig Butchering', by Chinese organized crime groups, which swindle billions of dollars annually from victims around the world.

Our session will look at:

- Where did online scam syndicates come from?;
- How, when and why did they become so endemic in Southeast Asia?;
- How do the scams work and how have they evolved?;
- Who are the kingpins?;
- How do the perpetrators protect themselves?;
- How big are the profits and the scale of trafficking?;
- How and where do perpetrators clean their money?;
- Where are the fraud and trafficking victims from?;
- What action has been taken to stop this?; and
- What action needs to be taken?



David Boyle

Producer
Al Jazeera



John Wojcik

Associate Programme Officer for Transnational
United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime



Matthew Friedman

CEO
Mekong Club



Pol. L.G. Peou Chea

Deputy Commissioner General
Cambodian National Police

10:45 AM

Networking

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11:15 AM

Case Study

General

Investigations

Recovery

11:15 AM - 12:00 PM GMT+7 (45 Min)

Malaysia's 'Operation Tropicana': The Takedown of a Billion Dollar Boiler Room Gang

Chadra Ballroom 1 & 2

This session will look at how 'Operation Tropicana', a joint operation by the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission and IFW Global, an Australian intelligence, investigation, and asset recovery firm, that brought down a billion dollar boiler room gang without a single police officer being involved.

The presentation will identify the key players, how they laundered billions through Hong Kong banks, went undetected for 15 years, and millions of dollars in cash was seized by the MACC Anti-Money Laundering unit.

Twenty bank employees were also arrested and questioned about allegedly turning a blind eye to suspicious transactions.



Ken Gamble

Co-Founder & Executive Chairman
IFW Global

12:00 PM

General

Intelligence

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM GMT+7 (1 Hour)

Is the Party Over? Hong Kong SAR's Future as an International Business Centre

Chadra Ballroom 1 & 2

In a survey conducted by the American Chamber of Commerce of Hong Kong in 2021, more than 40% of expats indicated they were planning to leave Hong Kong or were considering it.

This session will discuss Hong Kong's future as a global financial centre, and whether regional rivals like Singapore have benefited from its problems.



Ian De Witt

Partner
Tanner De Witt



Tiffany Wong

Managing Director
Alvarez & Marsal

1:00 PM

Networking

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM GMT+7 (1 Hour)

Networking Lunch sponsored by Raedas

Niche Restaurant

2:00 PM

Financial Planning

General

Intelligence

Investigations

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM GMT+7 (1 Hour)

Offshore Financial Centers Demystified

Chadra Ballroom 1 & 2

This session will look at the use of offshore structures in the British Virgin Islands, Bermuda, Cayman Islands, and others by Asian High Net Worth Individuals and large corporations, as well as what goes on in regional Offshore Financial Centers like the Cook Islands, Labuan, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Niue, and Vanuatu.



Andrew Wordsworth

Partner
Raedas



Michael Popkin

Partner
Mourant Ozannes



Yvette Chan

Managing Director
Alvarez & Marsal

3:00 PM

Funding

General

Recovery

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM GMT+7 (1 Hour)

Enforcing Awards & Judgments in Asia

Chadra Ballroom 1 & 2

This session will cover:

- Global Enforcement Strategies, as well as common pitfalls that practitioners/clients sometimes overlook;
- Identifying and Executing on a counterparty's assets: The "What, Where and How";
- Case Studies; and
- How Third Party Funding can help to unlock the value of a claim/judgment/award.



Anthony Ellwood-Russell

Associate Investment Manager - Asset Tracing :
Omni Bridgeway



Brendan McGloin

Partner
Templeton Research



Chee Chong Lau

Investment Manager, Senior Legal Counsel
Omni Bridgeway



Emi Rowse

Partner & Head of Japan Practice
Kudun & Partners



Kate Lan

Counsel
Carey Olsen

4:00 PM

Networking

4:00 PM - 4:30 PM GMT+7 (30 Min)

Networking Break sponsored by Mourant

Chadra Ballroom 3

4:30 PM

General

Intelligence

Investigations

4:30 PM - 5:30 PM GMT+7 (1 Hour)

A Practical Guide to Investigations in Asia

Chadra Ballroom 1 & 2

This session will offer a practical guide to conducting investigations in Asia, including China, Hong Kong, and Singapore, including looking at data privacy laws, regional sensitivities, risks, and best practices.



Davin Teo
Managing Director
Alvarez & Marsal



Eugene Thuraisingam
Managing Partner
Eugene Thuraisingam LLP



Mei Yong
Senior Business Development Manager
Alvarez & Marsal



Michelle Gon
Partner
Han Kun Law Offices

5:30 PM

Networking

5:30 PM - 7:30 PM GMT+7 (2 Hours)

Cocktail Party sponsored by Setia Law, Sequor Law, and Tanner De Witt

Niche Restaurant

Thu Feb 29

8:30 AM

Networking

8:30 AM - 9:15 AM GMT+7 (45 Min)

Networking Breakfast sponsored by Eugene Thuraisingam LLP

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9:15 AM

Crypto

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Investigations

Recovery

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Crypto Investigations & Recovery

Chadra Ballroom 1 & 2

Leading experts in crypto investigations and recovery will offer tips and guidance on investigating and recovering crypto - an emerging industry that is awash with fraud.



Henry Chambers

Managing Director
Alvarez & Marsal



Lili Infante

CEO
CAT Labs



William Ruzich

Chairman/Intelligence Officer
The Aracari Project

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Using AI & OSINT to Enhance Your Investigations

Chadra Ballroom 1 & 2

A demonstration of Internet-based and Artificial Intelligence tools to help you find, monitor, and understand information on targets.



Basem Ayash

Co-Founder & Chief Technology Officer
aiNTEL



Kevin Weekes

Founder & Director, Operations
ZENRS

11:45 AM

General

Recovery

11:45 AM - 12:45 PM GMT+7 (1 Hour)

High-Value International Recovery: Ask Me Anything (Part One)

Chadra Ballroom 1 & 2

Leading international fraud and value recovery specialists discuss emerging and dominant issues that impact your ability to be successful and effective. This session is intended to be informal and interactive and represents an opportunity for you to have your questions answered by experts who have 'been there, seen it, done it'.



Edward H. Davis, Jr.

Founding Shareholder
Sequor Law



Luke Furler

Managing Director & Head of Asia-Pacific
Quantuma



Robin Darton

Partner
Tanner De Witt



Warren Gluck

Partner
Holland & Knight

12:45 PM

Networking

12:45 PM - 1:45 PM GMT+7 (1 Hour)

Networking Lunch sponsored by Kobre & Kim

Niche Restaurant

1:45 PM

General

Recovery

1:45 PM - 2:45 PM GMT+7 (1 Hour)

High-Value International Recovery: Ask Me Anything (Part Two)

Chadra Ballroom 1 & 2

Leading international fraud and value recovery specialists discuss emerging and dominant issues that impact your ability to be successful and effective. This session is intended to be informal and interactive and represents an opportunity for you to have your questions answered by experts who have 'been there, seen it, done it'.



Danny Ong
Managing Director
Setia Law



Gwynn Hopkins
Founder & Managing Director
Perun Consultants



John Han
Partner
Kobre & Kim



Marjolein van den Bosch-Broeren
Investment Manager, Head of Enforcement (AP)
Omni Bridgeway

2:45 PM

General

Intelligence

Recovery

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China Disputes in a Changing Landscape

Chadra Ballroom 1 & 2



Carmen Liu
Principal
Control Risks



Simon Hui
Partner
Baker & McKenzie



Wynn Pakdeejit
Managing Partner
Baker & McKenzie

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Intelligence

Money Laundering

Recovery

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The Dark Side of the Economy: An Ever-Growing Global Launderette

Chadra Ballroom 1 & 2

Just as the 1MDB debacle, which claimed the licenses of two banks and culminated in multiple prosecutions and sanctions, appeared to be in its rear view, Southeast Asia has had to come to terms with a massive \$3 billion money laundering investigation and the crackdown of multiple sophisticated scam operations across the region.

This session will look at the modern face of international money laundering – the sophisticated techniques by which proceeds are disguised and moved even through the most tightly-regulated of economies, the multi-jurisdictional crimes which are involved, the emergent risks faced by institutions and individuals alike, and perhaps most importantly, the trailblazing methods and tools by which practitioners uncover culprits and recover assets.



Danny Ong
Managing Director
Setia Law



Jack Mullan
Partner
Mintz Group



John Cusack
Chair
Global Coalition to Fight Financial Crime



Joshua Heiliczer
Consultant



Victoria Ting
Associate Director
Setia Law

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Founder, Owner & Editor
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Closing Happy Hour sponsored by Alvarez & Marsal, Control Risks, and Holland & Knight

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