

# 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

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### 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 Tr  
United Nations Office on Drugs and



**Matthew Friedman**

CEO  
Mekong Club



**Pol. L.G. Peou Chea**

Deputy Commissioner General  
Cambodian National Police

10:45 AM

Networking

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## Networking Break sponsored by Perun Consultants

*Chadra Ballroom 3*

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 - As

Omni Bridgeway



**Brendan McGloin**

Partner

Templeton Research



**Chee Chong Lau**

Investment Manager, Senior Legal

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 Man:  
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

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### Networking Breakfast sponsored by Eugene Thuraisingam LLP

*Chadra Ballroom 3*

9:15 AM

Crypto

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Investigations

Recovery

9:15 AM - 10:30 AM GMT+7 (1 Hour 15 Min)

## 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 Of  
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-f  
Quantuma



**Robin Darton**

Partner  
Tanner De Witt



**Warren Gluck**

Partner  
Holland & Knight

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Networking

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## 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-Broe**  
Investment Manager, Head of Enfor  
Omni Bridgeway

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General

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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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## Networking Break sponsored by Mourant

*Chadra Ballroom 3*



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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 C



**Joshua Heiliczer**  
Consultant



**Victoria Ting**  
Associate Director  
Setia Law

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## Closing Remarks

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**David Marchant**  
Founder, Owner & Editor  
OffshoreAlert

5:15 PM

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## Closing Happy Hour sponsored by Alvarez & Marsal, Control Risks, and Holland & Knight

*Rotunda*