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The Global Pound Conference (GPC) series: a game-changer

GPC is a unique global dispute resolution initiative involving 40 conferences in 31 countries worldwide over the next 12 months. Through canvassing the views of over 5,000 stakeholders, GPC will address how we can improve the resolution of commercial disputes in the 21st century. All dispute resolution processes are in scope: litigation, arbitration, as well as the range of Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) processes, including mediation.

Format

Structured around four interactive sessions where Core Questions will be voted upon anonymously and discussed via a smartphone App, participants express their views on a range of vital issues affecting how disputes are resolved. Results are projected and debated instantly, comparing priorities by stakeholder category (end users, providers, advisors and influencers). Worldwide standardised dispute resolution data collection across the span of stakeholders is unique to GPC. The results will be collated into a report and white paper to be published globally in 2017.

GPC Hong Kong, Thursday 23 February 9am -6pm, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre

With court and arbitral claims in Hong Kong reaching record highs and disputes becoming increasingly complex, costly and time consuming, contribute to the debate at the Hong Kong event.

With the backing of leading corporates, institutions and the Department of Justice, the Hong Kong event is set to be the major dispute resolution conference of 2017. General counsel, regional heads and senior executives from leading corporates will share their views, alongside leading international judges, arbitrators, mediators, lawyers, funders, advisors and academics. The Hong Kong event includes a keynote address from Secretary for Justice, Rimsy Yuen, and a closing address from Chief Justice, Geoffrey Ma. Wesley Wong, Solicitor General, will appear as a panellist. If you are involved in any contentious work (litigation, arbitration, ADR or investigations), this is an event you should not miss.

Register at: <http://hongkong2017.globalpoundconference.org/>

Early bird: US\$150 until 31 December 2016 (Regular: US\$220)

Why you should attend:

- GPC Hong Kong presents a unique opportunity for us to shape the way we resolve conflict
- Delegates hear first-hand what their peers and competitors are doing: how they save money, time and maintain relationships and service clients using appropriate dispute resolution tools
- Data gathering across countries, regions and globally will identify trends and cultural preferences in a way that has not been possible through other studies
- The project will ultimately contribute to enhancing the culture and methods of resolving disputes in years to come

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