



Dear Members and contacts,

The BLBG kindly invites you to its next breakfast talk:

## **What you should know about Tax Planning in Asia?**

*By Pieter L. de Ridder, Partner Asia Pacific Loyens&Loeff*

Short description of the talk:

The objective of the talk is to create (or for some perhaps: re-ignite) an awareness of the usefulness of tax planning as a way to save costs when doing business in Asia. Key countries to be covered include Singapore, Indonesia, China, India, Thailand, Malaysia, Vietnam, Japan and the Philippines

Drawing on his vast experience working across Asia, Mr de Ridder will provide critical insights into:

- Examining the tax environment in Asia including various taxation systems and key tax rates in Asia
- Identifying important tax considerations for tax efficient structures: what do people need to think about when they plan to have a tax efficient structure in Asia
- Distinguishing between inbound investment vs. outbound investment considerations
- Showcasing case studies on tax efficient holding and finance structures, and royalty/service fee arrangements used across Asia including: loan financing, leasing hybrid loans and use of limited partnerships as a means to finance operations tax efficiently

### **Date**

Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> December 2009, 8.15 am till 10.15 am

### **Location**

DEXIA, 9, Raffles Place, #29-01, Republic Plaza

### **Participation fee** (breakfast included)

BLBG Members        30 SGD  
non BLBG Members   40 SGD

### **Registration**

1. Please register with Dominique Soete, before Wednesday 25th, by sending back the attached participants list, with the required contact details to: [secretary@blbg.org.sg](mailto:secretary@blbg.org.sg)
2. Send your cheque, addressed to BLAS, to:  
Mr. Tan Bing Houw, #01-04, 10 Raeburn Park, 088702 Singapore.  
Please mention: Event 04-Dec TaxAsia

### **Programme**

08:15 am        Registration and coffee/tea+ breakfast  
08:45 am        Presentation by Mr de Ridder  
09:45 am        Q & A – Session  
10:15 am        End

### **Profile of the speaker**

**Mr Pieter de Ridder** (*Partner Asia Pacific Loyens&Loeff*)

Mr de Ridder was raised in Singapore during the formative years of modern Singapore in the 60's and early 70's. After graduating as a tax lawyer in 1985 and serving as a tax adviser in The Netherlands he returned to Asia. He worked as a tax expert in Indonesia, Hong Kong, Vietnam and China. Joining Loyen & Loeff in 1995, he specialises in assisting multinationals with their investments in Asia. Leading a team in Singapore and supported by Tokyo and Dubai offices his firm ensure clients get the most tax efficient solution for their investment needs. He is also a member of the Board of Editors of the Asia Pacific Tax Bulletin, a board member of the Singapore branch of the International Fiscal Association and a vice chair of the tax committee of the Inter Pacific Bar Association.

For further information on: Loyens & Loeff, please visit [www.loyensloeff.com](http://www.loyensloeff.com).

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