



[WEBINAR] Challenges and Considerations of Virtual Shareholder Meetings

29 July 2020, Wednesday

12.30pm – 1.30pm

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Travel restrictions, social distancing protocols, and general disruptions to daily life have made it nearly impossible to hold in-person shareholder meetings in most jurisdictions. As such, there has been an unprecedented rise in the number of virtual shareholder meetings around the world. Given the length of prolonged lockdowns across many countries, all of this may mean that practices may be permanently altered as a result of these changes. If so, it's important for boards of directors and management teams alike to weigh a number of considerations as they transition to virtual shareholder meetings:

- Technology considerations and challenges
- Governance challenges
- New corporate governance practices
- Board's readiness for virtual AGMs

Hear from the perspectives of Jerry Koh – Joint Managing Partner, Allen & Gledhill LLP and Shariq Barmaky – Regional Managing Partner (Audit & Assurance), Deloitte Southeast Asia as they share on their experience thus far and how they are looking forward. They will then be joined by Adrian Chan – Senior Partner, Lee & Lee on a panel discussion.

Programme Outline

Time	Programme
12.00pm – 12.30pm	Participants log on
12.30pm – 12.50pm	Challenges and Considerations – Governance Shariq Barmaky – Regional Managing Partner (Audit & Assurance), Deloitte Southeast Asia
12.50pm – 1.10pm	Challenges and Considerations – Legal Implications Jerry Koh - Joint Managing Partner, Allen & Gledhill LLP
1.10pm – 1.30pm	Panel Discussion – Stakeholder Management Adrian Chan (Moderator) - Senior Partner, Lee & Lee Shariq Barmaky - Regional Managing Partner (Audit & Assurance), Deloitte Southeast Asia Jerry Koh - Joint Managing Partner, Allen & Gledhill LLP
1.30pm	End

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Speakers' Profile



Shariq Barmaky – Regional Managing Partner (Audit & Assurance), Deloitte Southeast Asia

Shariq has more than 25 years of experience in public accounting in the United Kingdom and Singapore. He has extensive experience in the audits of multinationals and local companies in various industries, as well as due diligence and public listings of equities and commercial paper.

Shariq acts as audit partner for entities in the pharmaceutical, trading and distribution, manufacturing, oil and gas, shipping, postal and e-commerce/logistics and telecommunications sectors.

In his current role, Shariq is responsible for the overall audit and assurance business within Deloitte SEA, which comprises the 10 ASEAN countries and Guam. Shariq took on this role from 1 June 2016. Prior to that, he was Deloitte Southeast Asia's National Professional Practice Director (NPPD) for more than five years, having responsibility for all quality related matters pertaining to the audit business. Shariq also served as a Member of the Board of Directors of Deloitte SEA from 2013 until 2016, when he took over his current role.

Shariq is the immediate past Chairman of the Auditing and Assurance Standards Committee (AASC) of the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants (ISCA) and Council and Executive Committee Member of ISCA. He has been on the ACRA Board and a Member of ACRA's Public Accountants Oversight Committee (PAOC) since 1 April 2020.

Jerry Koh – Joint Managing Partner, Allen & Gledhill LLP



Jerry has been practising as a corporate lawyer since 1993. Jerry's main areas of practice include capital markets, M&A and investment funds, and he has advised on numerous international and domestic transactions. Jerry joined Allen & Gledhill as a partner in 2001 from an international firm in Hong Kong. He was co-head of the financial services department and deputy managing partner of the firm prior to assuming the role of joint managing partner.

Jerry heads the firm's REITs practice. He is the leading authority on REITs and business trusts, and has been involved in the listing of almost all the REITs and business trusts in the Singapore market. He was lead counsel for the largest IPO in South East Asia to date. He has been involved in almost all the secondary offerings and convertible bond issues by Singapore REITs and business trusts, and has also advised on a number of listings in Malaysia. Jerry also regularly advises on M&A and private equity transactions, establishment of private funds, complex securitisation and structured finance transactions, and corporate governance.

Jerry is cited as a leading practitioner in Chambers Global, Chambers Asia-Pacific, IFLR1000, The Legal 500 Asia-Pacific and Who's Who Legal. He has been recognised as a thought leader by Who's Who Legal. Jerry is fluent in English and Mandarin.

Jerry was the former Co-Chair of the Securities Law Committee of the International Bar Association (IBA) and is now a member of its Advisory Board. He is also the current Asia Pacific Regional Forum Liaison Officer of the IBA Law Firm Management Committee. Jerry is also the Secretary of the REIT Association of Singapore, a Fellow of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators and a member of the Editorial Board of Business Law

International. Jerry believes in giving back to the community and is active in community work. He currently serves as a director of The National Kidney Foundation (Singapore).

Adrian Chan – Senior Partner, Lee & Lee



Adrian is Head of the Corporate Department and a Senior Partner at Lee & Lee. He joined Lee & Lee in 1989.

He has been nominated by the Prime Minister to serve on the Legal Service Commission. He is also a Board member of the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority of Singapore (“ACRA”) and Hogan Lovells Lee & Lee. He is the lead independent director of Yoma Strategic Holdings, AEM Holdings, the manager of Ascendas REIT and the manager of First REIT, and the Non-Executive Chairman of Hong Fok Corporation, all of which are listed on the Singapore Stock Exchange (SGX). In addition, the SGX has appointed him to its Catalist Advisory Panel to review Catalist Sponsor and Registered Professional applications.

He is the Vice-Chairman of the Singapore Institute of Directors and currently chairs its Advocacy and Research Committee. He is a Council member of the Law Society of Singapore. He currently chairs the Corporate Law Advisory Panel at ACRA. He co-chairs the Corporate Governance and Regulations Interest Group at the Singapore International Chamber of Commerce and serves on the Board of Shared Services for Charities Limited, which is a registered charity and an Institution of a Public Character, and on the Institutional Review Board of the Singapore Polytechnic.

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