



HERBERT SMITH FREEHILLS ADDS CHINA LAW CAPABILITY THROUGH JOINT OPERATION LICENCE WITH KEWEI 凯威律师事务所 凯威律师事务所

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Leading global law firm Herbert Smith Freehills is adding local law capabilities in Mainland China, following the approval of a Joint Operation with [Kewei Law Firm](#) by Shanghai's Bureau of Justice.

凯威律师事务所是上海自贸区首家获得联合运营资质的国际律师事务所。凯威律师事务所是上海自贸区首家获得联合运营资质的国际律师事务所。

The firm becomes one of only six international law firms permitted to integrate China law advice with international legal services through the Joint Operation model based in the Shanghai Free Trade Zone.

The Joint Operation will be known as Herbert Smith Freehills Kewei. It integrates international and PRC legal advice, initially in cross-border M&A and corporate, banking and finance, disputes, competition, capital markets and financial services regulatory.

Kewei offers top-quality China lawyers with international experience, a strong client list, and an innovative managed legal services business, which will also integrate with Herbert Smith Freehills' market-leading ALT China operation. Founding partner [Xu Wenbao](#), partner [Stanley Xie](#) and international partner [Gavin Guo](#) lead the firm.

"Our 30-year China practice is strong with plenty of room to grow," said Asia Executive Partner [Justin D'Agostino](#). "This new licence will transform our business on the Mainland, and signals our long-term commitment to China."

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