

WILLIAM KU JOINS HERBERT SMITH FREEHILLS AS DEBT CAPITAL MARKETS PARTNER IN HONG KONG

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Herbert Smith Freehills is pleased to announce the appointment of William Ku as a debt capital markets partner, based in its Hong Kong office.

"Strong debt capital markets capabilities in both Singapore and Hong Kong are essential to bank and issuer clients in Asia," said partner [Adrian Cheng](#), Asia head of finance at Herbert Smith Freehills.

"William will work closely with debt capital markets partners [Philip Lee](#) in Singapore and [Kevin Roy](#) in Hong Kong and the firm's other capital markets partners in Asia Pacific to extend our practice across the region."

"Importantly, William also brings an understanding of, and relationships within, the Chinese securities markets - essential now that renminbi issues and China issuers are central to so many financial markets."

"William has already established an enviable reputation in the Hong Kong market, and we're delighted to have attracted him to the firm," said [Jason Ricketts](#), global head of finance, real estate and projects at Herbert Smith Freehills.

"His skills and market knowledge will be valuable additions to our capital markets team in Asia and globally, and we look forward to him joining us in early 2016."

William's appointment is the latest addition to the firm's capital markets capabilities, following the 2014 appointments of debt capital markets consultant [José Blanco](#) in Madrid and structured debt and leveraged finance specialist [Laura Sheridan Mouton in Sydney](#), and last month's announcement that [Tom O'Neill would join the firm](#) as partner and head of its US securities practice, based in London.

William Ku

A graduate of The University of New South Wales in law and accounting, William trained at an international law firm in Hong Kong before joining Mallesons Stephen Jaques (now King & Wood Mallesons) in Hong Kong as an associate in 2003. He is qualified to practise law in Hong Kong, England & Wales and New South Wales, Australia. William speaks English, Cantonese and Mandarin.

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