

AUTOMOTIVE

ROAD MAP TO SUCCESS

The global automotive industry is facing unprecedented challenges as it responds to the drive to decarbonise the transport sector to meet national and international emission reduction targets whilst navigating the economic, political and social impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. With these challenges, however, come new business opportunities: for example the development of new technologies facilitating industry-wide initiatives for connected and autonomous vehicles, ever more capable and efficient electric vehicles and mobility as a service platforms

The pace of such industry evolution combined with the ever-changing global regulatory landscape inevitably poses a number of unique legal issues straddling a wide number of areas of expertise in relation to which we can offer support.

We provide advice to clients around the globe and across the sector, from OEMs, component manufacturers, distributors and retailers to vehicle-leasers, rental and shared mobility providers and technology companies.

As a full service law firm we are able to support our automotive clients with all of their needs ranging from major transactions, disputes and financings to day-to-day regulatory, employment, IP, technology, product liability, data privacy and data security issues. We provide regular thought leadership to our clients in developing legal and regulatory areas, such as connected and autonomous vehicles and the development of national infrastructure to support electric vehicles.

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RECENT EXPERIENCE

INCHCAPE PLC

On the disposal of its China retail business which includes car dealerships in Shaoxing, Nanchang and Jiujiang to Hong Kong listed China Yongda Automobiles Services

SOFTBANK

On its US\$250 million Series D and US\$750 million Series F equity funding round investments into GrabTaxi and on its investment into an up to US\$2.5 billion equity funding round for ride-share operator GrabTaxi, alongside China ride-sharing giant DiDi

PANASONIC CORPORATION

On its joint venture in Indonesia to conduct a feasibility study into manufacturing rechargeable motorcycle batteries and implementing an exchange system at petrol stations throughout the country

A MIDDLE EAST AUTOMOTIVE DISTRIBUTOR

In a JCAA arbitration against a multinational automotive manufacturer on issues arising out of breaches and termination of certain long-term distribution agreements in the Middle East, as well as related tort claims

HORIBA

On its acquisition of the business assets and certain subsidiaries of MIRA, a UK-based vehicle engineering and consultancy company in an auction bid process

AN AUTOMOTIVE MANUFACTURER

In reaching a global settlement in parallel claims in the national courts of Thailand and JCAA arbitration for approximately US\$350 million

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BUILDING A RESILIENT FUTURE

TECHNOLOGY, MEDIA AND ENTERTAINMENT, AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

AT THE FOREFRONT OF INNOVATION

ENVIRONMENT, PLANNING AND COMMUNITIES

WINNING AND PROTECTING YOUR LEGAL AND SOCIAL LICENCE TO OPERATE

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

MAKING THE MOST OF INNOVATION





COMPETITION, REGULATION AND TRADE

NAVIGATING A DYNAMIC ENVIRONMENT OF EVOLVING REGULATION AND GLOBAL ENFORCEMENT



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DELIVERING COMMERCIAL RESULTS, CONSISTENTLY FOR OUR CLIENTS

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