

# HERBERT SMITH FREEHILLS CONTINUES EXPANSION IN ASIA WITH PARTNER AND COUNSEL PROMOTIONS

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Leading international law firm Herbert Smith Freehills has continued its Asia expansion with the promotion of 11 new partners and counsel.

The five new partners are part of [a 34-partner global promotion round](#) this year - the firm's largest-ever promotion round. All promotions are effective 1 May 2022.

This year's investment in talent also extends to the firm's Asia associate firms, with two promotions at [Hiswara Bunjamin & Tandjung](#) in Jakarta and [Kewei Law Firm](#) in Shanghai.

## PROMOTED TO PARTNER

<a href="#">James Allsop</a> & Investigations	Disputes, Tokyo	International Arbitration/Corporate Crime
<a href="#">Cellia Cognard*</a>	Corporate, Jakarta	M&A
<a href="#">Harry Evans</a> Sciences	Corporate, Singapore	TMT/Life
<a href="#">Jin Kong*</a>	Corporate, Hong Kong	Capital Markets
<a href="#">Stephanie</a>	Corporate/M&A	<i>Hiswara Bunjamin &amp; Tandjung, Jakarta</i>
<a href="#">Daniel Waldek</a> and Infrastructure Disputes	Disputes, Singapore	International Arbitration/Construction

## PROMOTED TO OF COUNSEL

<a href="#">Victor Chiew</a>	Corporate, Singapore	M&A
<a href="#">Yosuke Homma</a> Crime & Investigations	Disputes, Tokyo	International Arbitration/Corporate
Jie Li	Corporate, Beijing	Energy and Projects
<a href="#">Salonika Kataria</a>	Finance, Singapore	Core Finance
<a href="#">Cynthia Ng</a> *	Corporate, Hong Kong	M&A
<a href="#">Michelle Virgiany</a> *	Corporate, Jakarta	M&A and Financial Services
<a href="#">Lucy Yao</a> *	<i>Alternative Legal Services</i>	<i>Kewei Law Firm, Shanghai</i>

"Congratulations to our new partners and counsel, whose success reflects the strength of our network, services and culture in Asia, and our commitment to continued growth," said Asia managing partner [May Tai](#).

"Our new partners and counsel also reflect our breadth of practice – covering disputes, corporate/M&A, energy, TMT, capital markets, finance and alternative legal services."

"We are one of very few international firms to offer seamless access to local law capability in Indonesia, mainland China and Singapore through successful associate relationships, and are proud to celebrate two promotions at those firms this year."

"Importantly, these promotions reflect our diverse practice in Asia. Broadening further the mix of culture, gender and background better meets our clients' needs and helps us achieve our ambition to be the leading law firm in Asia Pacific."

Herbert Smith Freehills is one of very few international law firms offering seamless access to local law capability in three key Asia markets through successful associate relationships:

In Jakarta, Herbert Smith Freehills' international counsel practise on secondment to associate firm [Hiswara Bunjamin & Tandjung](#), one of Indonesia's leading commercial and corporate law firms.

In Singapore, a Formal Law Alliance with local law firm Prolegis allows clients to access Singapore law capability from [Prolegis](#) alongside Herbert Smith Freehills' international skills.

In Shanghai and Beijing, the firm provides access to PRC law advice through Herbert Smith Freehills Kewei (FTZ) Joint Operation in Shanghai with [Kewei Law Firm](#).

*\*To meet regulatory requirements, these lawyers will use different titles in their local jurisdictions: Celia Cognard - Senior International Counsel; Jin Kong - Senior Registered Foreign Lawyer (New York - USA); Cynthia Ng - Senior Consultant; Michelle Virgiany - Senior International Counsel; and Lucy Yao - ALT Director.*

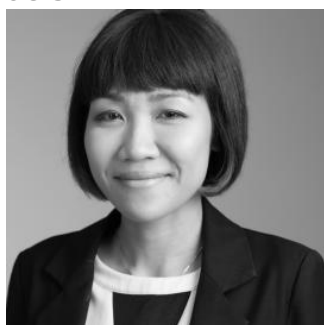
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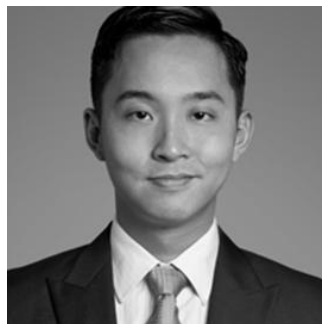
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