## **TEA TALK**

## Joint Operating Agreements in a Era of Operator Uncertainty









## SYNOPSIS

English law has entered an era of operator uncertainty. Prior to 2012, there were barely any English cases dealing with joint operating agreements. Since then, there have been a series of reported cases concerning disputes that pit operator against non-operator. Is this increase in case numbers a function of new, smaller entrants to the market? Is there a trend towards more active (aggressive?) nonoperators? At this stage the resulting English case law creates risk and uncertainty for operators.

In this seminar the speakers will examine the key cases on this issue and in particular the implications for the market of Spirit Energy Resources Ltd (formerly Centrica Resource Ltd) v Marathon Oil UK LCC [2019]. The session will also examine Singapore, English and Australian caselaw on the duties of good faith for operators in this context.

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VENUE

WongPartnership LLP 12 Marina Boulevard Level 28 Marina Bay Financial Centre Tower 3

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## **PROGRAM FLOW**

1500	Registration
1530	Opening Remarks Chou Sean Yu WongPartnership LLP
1535	Joint Operating Agreements in an Era of Operator Uncertainty: Recent English Case Law Duncan Matthews QC Michael Ashcroft QC 20 Essex Street
1605	Duties of Good Faith for Operators Tay Peng Cheng Wendy Lin WongPartnership LLP
1625	Q&A
1640	Drinks & Networking