

What you need to know as an Independent Director of a REIT manager

Issues arising from Covid-19

Covid-19 has posed challenges for REIT managers from multiple perspectives – ranging from impact on valuation, preparation of financial statements and legal issues to consider in navigating and emerging from the Covid-19 storm. In this webinar, specially designed for Independent Directors of REIT managers, industry experts will share their thoughts on these issues and highlight what IDs need to be mindful of when discharging their duties.

Guest of Honour:

Mr. Tan Boon Gin
CEO, SGX RegCo

When:

19 Nov, 10am-12pm

Format: Webinar via Zoom

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Programme outline

10.00am	Welcome address by REITAS
10.05am	Remarks by Guest of Honour
10.20am	Financial Position & Sustainability - PriceWaterhouse Coopers LLP
10.50am	Valuation issues – Colliers International
11.20am	Legal issues - Rajah & Tann Singapore LLP
11.50am	Audience Q&A
12.00pm	End of Programme

Pricing & Registration

REITAS Members	S\$150.00*
Non REITAS Members	S\$250.00*

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While the webinar is specially designed for Independent Directors of REIT managers, we welcome registration from senior management and anyone else who may find the session useful.

2 supplementary CPD hours will be awarded upon request.

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by 5 November

Zoom details will be sent after registration is confirmed

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Guest of Honour



Tan Boon Gin

CEO, SGX RegCo

Mr Tan Boon Gin joined SGX as Chief Regulatory Officer on 15 June 2015. He now heads Singapore Exchange Regulation, an independent regulatory subsidiary of SGX, which undertakes all front-line regulatory functions to promote a fair, orderly and transparent market.

Before joining SGX, Mr Tan was the Director of the Commercial Affairs Department of the Singapore Police Force. Prior to this, Mr Tan held several appointments at the Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS) including Director of the Enforcement Division, Director of the Corporate Finance Division and Executive Director of the Investment Intermediaries Department.

Mr Tan was seconded to MAS after serving as a District Judge at Singapore's Subordinate Courts.

Mr Tan's earlier roles include serving as a Justices' Law Clerk at Singapore's Supreme Court and a Deputy Public Prosecutor at the Attorney General's Chamber, where he specialised in corruption and white collar crime, before leaving to practise at Messrs Sullivan & Cromwell in New York.

He is a member of the Singapore Institute of Directors Council and serves on the Board of the Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore and SATA CommHealth.

Mr Tan is an advocate and solicitor and holds degrees from the University of Cambridge and Harvard Law School. Mr Tan was awarded the Public Administration (Silver) Medal in 2010.



Presenters



Yeow Chee Keong

**Real Estate & Hospitality
Leader
PwC Singapore**

Chee Keong leads PwC Singapore's Real Estate and Hospitality practice. During his 27 years with the firm, he has worked in PwC offices in Melbourne, New York and Shanghai on key global audit engagements. Chee Keong and his team provide solutions to real estate businesses including tax structuring, deals, risk and technology consulting, as well as assurance engagements.

Chee Keong has been involved in advisory projects in China, Indonesia and Singapore as a financial services partner, and he was the liquidator for Lehman Minibonds during the financial crisis. He is the lead relationship partner in Asia for Blackstone and Capitaland Group.

He is a practising member of the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants and a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia and New Zealand.

He is also a board member of the Asia Pacific Real Estate Association - Singapore Chapter and PwC's Global Real Estate Leadership team and Member of Trustees of Cultural Matching Fund, National Arts Council.



Presenters



Tan Keng Chiam

**Executive Director, Head of Valuation & Advisory Services
Colliers International**

Keng Chiam Tan is the Executive Director and Head of Valuation and Advisory Services for Colliers, and he is responsible for leading, driving and growing the valuation and advisory services, hotel and leisure and the consultancy divisions across Singapore. Colliers International's range of services spans across traditional valuation and appraisal of all types of real estate properties, bespoke feasibility studies and investment strategies for developers, investors, occupiers and specialists.

Keng Chiam brings with him 30 years of experience in advising clients on real estate activities ranging from acquisition and disposal, merger and acquisitions to feasibility studies, as well as acting in contentious high-profile dispute resolutions cases. Prior to joining Colliers International, Keng Chiam was working for another global real estate consultancy where he led its Valuation and Advisory Services team in Singapore.



Presenters



Evelyn Wee

**Deputy Head, Corporate and Transactional Group; Head, Capital Markets
Rajah & Tann Singapore LLP**

Evelyn Wee is the Deputy Head of the Corporate and Transactional Group at Rajah & Tann Singapore. She also heads the Capital Markets practice and is a senior partner with the Mergers & Acquisitions practice. Evelyn has three decades of experience in mergers and acquisitions, private equity/venture capital investments, and capital markets transactions, including innovative, complex and award-winning deals.

She regularly advises clients on cross-border transactions, such as investments in, and divestments of, businesses as well as listed companies in South-East Asia, South Asia, Europe and South America, and has represented both private equity/venture capital investors and founders/portfolio companies in investments and exits.

Evelyn has been recognised as a leading/recommended lawyer in major ranking publications such as *Chambers Asia Pacific – Capital Markets: Domestic and Chambers Global*, *IFLR1000* in Capital Markets and M&A, *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific* in the Corporate and M&A practice, *Best Lawyers International* and *Who's Who Legal*. Clients have commended her as "a very detailed lawyer who puts in a lot of care for her clients", appreciating her for "consistently making an extra effort on transactions". In addition, she is said to be "valued by clients for her dedication and commerciality" and described as "excellent".

Evelyn graduated from the National University of Singapore in 1989 and was admitted to the Singapore Bar in March 1990 and to the Roll of Solicitors of England & Wales in 1998.



Presenters



Norman Ho

**Senior Partner, Corporate Real Estate
Rajah & Tann Singapore LLP**

Norman Ho is a Senior Partner with the Corporate Real Estate Group at Rajah & Tann Singapore. With over 35 years of legal experience, Norman has advised on a wide spectrum of property-related transactions, including investment sales and purchase (by way of share or asset sales), collective sales, profit participation scheme in property disposition and project development transactions. He regularly advises property developers, investment funds, statutory boards, property consultants, investors and financial institutions.

Norman has been identified as a leading real estate lawyer by various independent legal directories, and is said to be a “leading authority” with “an outstanding understanding of the market as well as strong commercial judgement and management skills”. He is also described as a lawyer who “decisively navigates through real estate issues” and “gains praise from market sources for his creative problem-solving abilities.”

He has acted for owners and investors in commercial, retail, residential and resort developments both within and outside Singapore. His projects include the development and financing of major shopping and office projects and the acquisition of large commercial buildings such as Duo Commercial and Galleria and Chevron House in Singapore's Central Business District. He also acted in the acquisition, sale and leaseback of industrial developments, involving the Housing Development Board and Jurong Town Corporation.

Norman is the Honorary Legal Advisor for the Real Estate Developers Association of Singapore, a position he has held for more than 22 years and a current Board Member of the Asia Pacific Real Estate Association (Singapore Chapter).



About REITAS

REITAS is the representative voice of the Singapore REIT (S-REIT) industry. It provides its members a representation and engagement in consultation opportunities with policy makers on issues affecting S-REITs. The association also organises talks, courses, investor conferences, retail education events etc to promote understanding and investment in Singapore REITs.

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