

Simmons & Simmons strengthens financial markets team in Singapore and Hong Kong

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Dax Lim partner in Singapore asset management and investment fund practice to focus on expandingbiotechnology business deals; James Pedley partner as securitization and asset-backed finance specialist in Hong Kong



Simmons & Simmons, an international law firm that acts as a biotechnology and artificial intelligence business partner, has appointed Asia-Pacific venture capital and financial regulatory specialist Dax Lim as a partner in its Singapore asset management and investment funds practice. He specializes in the representation of venture capital and growth equity funds as well as emerging growth companies.

Lim joins with his team of two associates from Osborne Clarke, and will focus on the Singapore market. Dax has significant experience in advising investment funds on structuring, formation and global investment transactions. He also works extensively with venture backed technology companies throughout their lifecycles advising them on debt and equity financing, strategic partnerships and regulatory and commercial matters. Dax has also been involved in major cross border mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures and investments across a wide range of industries including e-commerce, financial technology, biotechnology and artificial intelligence.

Lim's clients comprise venture capital firms, fintech unicorns and emerging growth companies. He is active in the region and regularly partners with growth-stage accelerators and incubators, providing mentorship to entrepreneurs and early-stage companies.

On 4 August 2020, Simmons & Simmons also announced that <u>James Pedley</u> has joined the financial markets team as a partner as securitization and asset-backed finance specialist covering Asia and focusing on the Hong Kong and regional cross-border market. The appointment has boosted the firm's existing financial markets practice and will further enhance the expertise of its market-leading finance practice in the region. Since 2011 he has increasingly focused on Asia-Pacific transactions