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SEMINAR ON

DISCLOSURE OF FEES AND CHARGES FOR PENSION AND RETAIL FUNDS

Speakers: Mr Darren McShane, Securities and superannuation consultant and former

Chief Regulation & Policy Officer and Executive Director of MPFA

Date: Friday, 26 April 2019

Time: 9:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Venue: Offices of Deacons, 14/F Alexandra House, Chater Road, Central, HK

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The speakers:

Mr. Darren McShane is formerly an Executive Director of the MPFA with responsibility for investment regulation, policy development, research and legal services. Prior to his time at the MPFA, he held various senior roles with the Australian Securities Investment Commission (ASIC) and before that with the Investment Management Regulatory Organisation (IMRO), the former fund management regulator in the UK. As a securities and superannuation expert, he was commissioned to conduct a major review for ASIC in relation to how fees and costs are disclosed for Australian superannuation funds and managed funds. The report is on the ASIC website at the link below:

https://asic.gov.au/regulatory-resources/find-a-document/reports/rep-581-review-of-asic-regulatory-guide-97-disclosing-fees-and-costs-in-pdss-and-periodic-statements/

Though the report focuses largely on Australia but it does touch on a number of points about the policy approach to disclosure and looks at international practices and trends in the area – an area that is of much interest and relevance to Hong Kong. There is quite a lot happening on the fee disclosure front internationally and it would be good to be able to update the pension industry participants and the key stakeholders of the funds / pension industries on what is happening elsewhere and how that might affect all of us in due course

The talk:

Disclosure of fees and charges for pension and retail funds continues to be a hot topic around the globe. Many countries have significantly changed how this is done recently, although many technical elements remain highly controversial. This session considers these recent developments, their relevance to Hong Kong, and reconsiders whether existing and new frameworks can actually assist consumers in the manner intended.

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