



## HKTA seminar: Investment Office Trust vs. **Family Office Trust**

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For more details of the seminar, please see page 2 of the enrolment form.



**Thursday** 5.00PM - 6.30PM



HKMA, 14/F Fairmont House, 8 Cotton Tree Drive, Central



1.5 HKTA CPD points 1.5 CPD points for Law Society being applied for



English **HKTA** member \$500



Non-member \$600

## Speaker

Mr. Zac Lucas, Partner, Spencer West LLP

Zac has over 20 years post qualification international private client experience with various international law firms based in Europe, Caribbean and Asia. Zac has experience in all areas of international private client law including cross border tax, trust, estate, family, divorce and succession laws. Zac has particular expertise advising in relation to family business governance and succession planning, and is regularly retained by leading business families in Southeast Asia, Middle East and Latin America. Zac regularly advises wealthy families and individuals in relation to the creation of International Single Family Offices, typically undertaking a co-ordinating counsel role working closely with lead family members, multi-family offices, trust company service providers and private bank family office desks. Zac also has wide experience advising and lecturing in relation to various international regulatory and tax transparency initiatives. Zac has his own legal media channel: https://youtube.com/@wealthtalksmedia





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Investment Office trusts are typically structured as reserved investment power trust (RPT). The following key topics surrounding RPTs will be discussed: (a) professional trustee liability post the decision in Ivanishvili (b) illusory trust and transfer risks, particularly in light of the decisions in Webb and Zhang Lan, and appropriate countermeasures, (c) key "survivability" provisions when managing settlor risk (unaccounted, incarcerated or missing settlor), (d) matrimonial community property considerations and trust asset protection implications on divorce, and finally (e) CRS reporting and common misreporting mistakes when dealing with reserved power trust holding a family office company, and potential privacy impact of recent changes to r.25 FATF.

Family Office Trust, structured as a private trust company (PTC), will then be considered, including the following: (a) PTC structural assessment, whether a company limited by shares held by a purpose trust or a guarantee company, (b) best practice PTC governance will be considered, including key interaction provisions between purpose trust enforcers and PTC directors, and key governance objectives, (c) strategic governance framework, including co-governance rules and basis on which a family trust may contain a "Family Assembly" with key oversight powers, (d) key legal issues affecting PTCs will then be discussed including status of PTC director liabilities under "dog leg" claims, illusory trust risks where a single settlor/director is involved, ending with a discussion (e) of CRS reporting and misreporting of PTC structures, including application of CRS to purpose trust, PTC, family trust and underlying family office company. Privacy consequences of changes to r.25 FATF will be highlighted in the context of a Family Office, PTC structure.



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**Enrolment Form** 

Date: 24 October 2024 (Thursday) Time: 5:00pm - 6:30pm

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Venue: HKMA, 14/F Fairmont House, 8 Cotton Tree Drive, Central \$600 Non-member

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