



Insolvency Practitioners Group (IPG) Meeting

Monday 17 March 2025

1.30pm – 5.00pm

Venue: Rosewood Hong Kong

Meeting room: Gallery 302, Level 3

Programme

1:30pm - 1:45pm **Registration**

1:45pm - 2:00pm **Welcome and opening remarks**

2:00pm - 3:00pm **Navigating the challenges confronting practitioners (IPs) when identifying, tracing and recovering/realising assets in China**

International investors remain cautious about market uncertainty and the geo-political risk of investing in China. The challenges and practical considerations for IPs when identifying and recovering assets in China remain.

The panel of industry experts will discuss:

- Steps in preparing to enforce against assets in China - the normal playbook does not apply!
- The importance of planning - inbound and outbound enforcement strategies.
- Funding considerations for IPs when investigating claims or seeking to realise assets.
- The role of other jurisdictions, including offshore, in assisting IPs to initiate a recovery process.
- The availability of, and access to, data and information in China (and the very real risks and limitations in conducting DD).

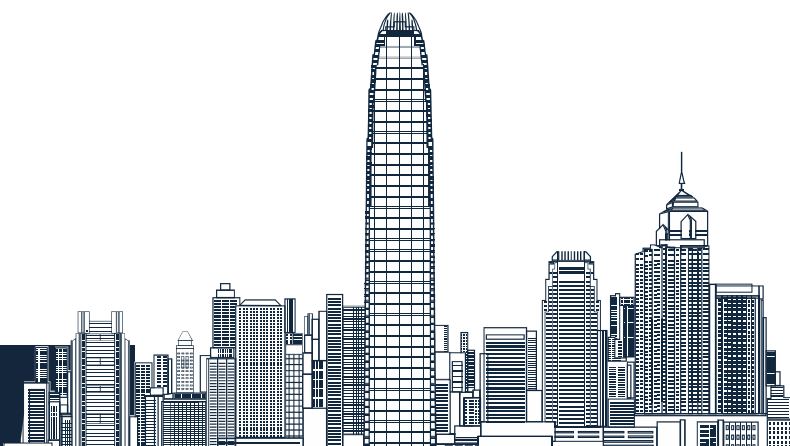
Chair: Matt Byrnes, INSOL Fellow, Grant Thornton, Australia

Margot MacInnis, Grant Thornton, Cayman Islands

Eloise Matsui, Omni Bridgeway, Hong Kong

Daniel Saval, INSOL Fellow, Kobre & Kim, USA

3:00pm - 3:15pm **Networking coffee break**





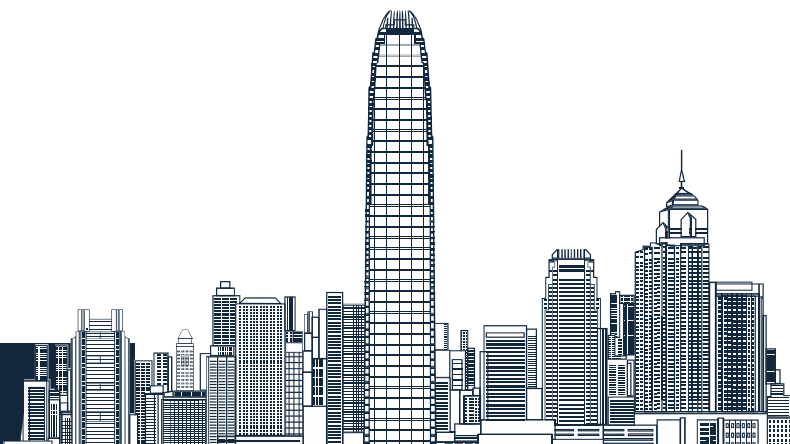
3:15pm – 4:00pm **Breakout discussion**

Following the main discussion, participants will break out into groups to actively engage with fellow delegates to discuss the practical issues faced in their own practices. Experiences, insights and solutions to problems will be shared in a dynamic forum designed for open conversations.

4:00pm – 4:30pm **Insights from breakout dialogues**

To conclude, participants will reconvene to share insights and observations from their discussions. Those reflections will be collaboratively explored to pinpoint actionable steps that the IPG can undertake to proactively tackle the challenges under consideration.

4:30pm – 5:00pm **Closing remarks and networking**





Speakers

Matt Byrnes, INSOL Fellow, Grant Thornton, Australia



Matt has developed strong skills in managing businesses in distress, and in negotiating the best possible outcome via a sale or appropriate workout strategy. He has extensive experience managing companies in Receivership, Liquidation and Voluntary Administration, and has also been involved in a number of Investigating Accountant (IA), Due Diligence and limited scope (IBR) reviews on behalf of banks, government departments, and other stakeholders.

From 2000 to 2003, Matt lived overseas and worked on reviews, restructuring assignments and formal administrations in Indonesia and the United Kingdom.

In recent years, Matt has been the lead appointee on a number of large, complex insolvency and restructuring engagements including Greensill Capital Pty Limited and Porter Davis Homes (PDH) Group.

Matt has been the firm's lead Partner for distressed supplier services to the automotive industry and is the former National Head of the firm's Manufacturing Industry group.

He has particular expertise in assisting businesses in the following sectors:

- Property & construction
- Manufacturing (including Automotive)
- Financial Services
- Aviation services
- Transport & logistics.

Margot MacInnis, Grant Thornton, Cayman Islands



As the practice leader of Grant Thornton's Offshore business, Margot is a distinguished expert of international cross-border restructuring, insolvency and asset tracing. With a renowned career spanning more than 25 years, Margot has managed the complexities of both small-scale fraud and asset tracing assignments to complex, multi-billion-dollar, multi-jurisdictional cases with unparalleled expertise and insight.

Margot is regularly appointed in a fiduciary capacity by the Grand Court of the Cayman Islands and is recognised foreign representative in legal systems across the globe, including the United States, Canada, Switzerland and Hong Kong. Her expertise in uniting diverse international terms and engaging with various business leaders across industries has been key in her successful delivery of complex Engagements and in fostering shared success among her global peers.

Margot's commitment to education and career development is continued through her roles as New Networks and Regional Development Co-Director at IWIRC International, and a board member on several industry associations.





Her initiatives in fostering learning opportunities are paving the way for the next generation of professionals in the industry.

Margot is described as having “an excellent reputation and network of connections in the offshore insolvency and restructuring market, having been appointed to some of the largest international insolvency appointments in the Caribbean. She brings critical thinking and broad perspective to client engagement. She has also trailblazed the path for women in insolvency and restructuring.”

Eloise Matsui, Omni Bridgeway, Hong Kong



Eloise is an Investment Manager in Omni Bridgeway’s Hong Kong office with responsibility for due diligence and management of funded matters across APAC. Omni Bridgeway is a global leader in legal finance and risk management. Providing dispute and litigation finance from case inception to post-judgment enforcement and recovery across markets.

Formerly in private practice as a Partner at Stephenson Harwood in their Litigation team in Hong Kong. Eloise brings to the Omni Bridgeway team over 13 years of experience in restructuring and insolvency matters and general commercial litigation along with cross-border expertise. Prior to this she was with King & Wood Mallesons in their litigation and regulatory team.

Eloise is a qualified lawyer in Western Australia and Hong Kong.

In 2025, she serves as Vice-Chair on the Executive Board of the International Women’s Insolvency & Restructuring Confederation (IWIRC).

Daniel Saval, INSOL Fellow, Kobre & Kim, USA



Daniel is a partner at Kobre & Kim, resident in the firm’s New York office. He has extensive experience using cross-border insolvency tools in aid of international asset recovery and judgment enforcement campaigns, and to maximize returns for distressed debt investors. He frequently designs and executes global strategies for monetizing claims arising from distressed or defaulted debt, often in cases involving fraud or other misconduct.

Additionally, Daniel has unique experience pursuing recoveries for creditors of cryptocurrency platforms victimized by fraud or theft. He also acts for a range of stakeholders in complex disputes and investigations in US Chapter 11 restructuring proceedings, on both the debtor and creditor sides. He is a Fellow of INSOL International, and currently serves as Vice Chair of INSOL’s Asset Tracing & Recovery Committee.

