

China Update 2009

China in a Faltering World Economy -
Implications for American Businesses



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8:30 am - 2:00 pm

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Introduction

While other major economies shrink this year, China's GDP is expected to grow 6.5% and may surpass Japan's. China has emerged as a major creditor to the world, holding more than US\$1 trillion in US government debt, and PRC companies are also buying up billions of dollars of resources, technology and companies around the globe.

Recently, however, shoddy and unsafe products churned out by China's factories have tarnished its reputation as a reliable producer. At the same time, China remains deeply entangled with the United States -- its biggest customer, largest debtor and strongest competitor.

In keeping with tradition, corporate, employment, tax and regulatory specialists from Baker & McKenzie's award-winning China Practice will examine the opportunities and challenges these contradictions throw up for US businesses. They with their US colleagues will offer practical insights on how to fit your "China piece" into your global plans.

Who Should Attend

This seminar is designed for senior corporate executives, legal counsel, tax and finance managers, operations, business development and HR managers with responsibilities for China and the Asia-Pacific region.

Agenda

8:30 am - 8:50 am

Registration

8:50 am - 9:00 am

Welcome and Introduction - Barry Metzger, New York

9:00 am - 9:45 am

China's Anti-Monopoly Law: Flight Path Post Lift-Off

- Update on Merger Filing Regulation
- What is the Role of National Security -- Lessons and Questions from the Coca-Cola/Huiyan Juice Decision
- Enforcement of Dominance and Pricing Provisions
- The Role of Private Enforcement

Charles Critchlow, New York

Nancy Leigh, Hong Kong/Shanghai

9:45 am - 10:30 am

Reducing Product Liability Risks of Doing Business With Chinese Manufacturers

- Overview and update of product liability in the PRC
- Complying with the new Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act
- Jurisdiction and enforcing judgments--avoid being on the hook for the defective products or components of your suppliers

- Spreading product liability risks in distributor and supplier contracts
- Recall preparedness
- Assessing product liability risks of target companies before acquiring them.

Bing Ho, China/North America

Sigurd Sorenson, New York

10:30 am - 10:50 am

Break

10:50 am - 11:35 am

Restructuring / Integrating China operations

- Drivers for restructuring and integration
- Legal forms for restructuring: share transfers, asset transfers, mergers, demergers, liquidations
- Tax-free reorganizations
- US tax aspects of reorganizations in China
- Employee issues in restructuring

Jon Eichelberger, Beijing

Klas Holm, New York

11:35 am - 12:30 pm

Seven Things Multinationals in China Need to Know about Employment and Immigration

- How can you employ local employees in the PRC: Overview and Trends
- Discrimination and harassment issues
- Unions in the PRC: How strong are the claws of the paper tiger
- Cost-saving measures: Everything goes
- How can you send expats to the PRC
- Importance of maintaining US immigration status for expats during the PRC assignment
- How can you bring PRC nationals to the US

Andreas Lauffs, Beijing/Hong Kong/Shanghai

Robert Lewis, New York

Grace Shie, Hong Kong

Matthew Schulz, Palo Alto

12:30 pm - 2:00 pm

Luncheon

Guest Speaker: Ambassador Paul W. Speltz

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Global Strategic Associates formerly U.S. Treasury's Financial and Economic Emissary to China and United States Ambassador to the Asian Development Bank

Topic: "How China's Changing World Role Will Affect Your Business"

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About Our Guest Speaker



Ambassador Paul W. Speltz provides strategic advice to multinational companies and institutional investors doing business with China and the rest of Asia. As a business executive, he was actively involved in trade development and finance in Asia from the 1970s. More recently he served as the American Ambassador to the Asian Development Bank, as the United States Treasury Department's special Financial and Economic Emissary to China, and as the President of Kissinger Associates. Currently he is Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Global Strategic Advisors, LLC, a New York based strategic consulting firm.

About Baker & McKenzie's China Practice

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Awards and Accolades

China Client Choice Award

International Law Office Awards - 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005

No. 1 Law Firm for China and Hong Kong

PLC Which Lawyer? - 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005

China Restructuring Firm of the Year

Asian Counsel - 2007

Leading IP Law Firm (China and Hong Kong)

Asian IP - 2009

China Foreign IP Firm of the Year

Managing Intellectual Property Awards - 2008, 2007, 2006

Tax & Trusts Law Firm of the Year

ALB Hong Kong Law Awards - 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004, 2003, 2002

Tier 1 World's Leading Tax Transactional Firm (Hong Kong & China)

International Tax Review - 2008

International Law Firm of the Year - Employment

China Law & Practice Awards - 2008

Leading Law Firm for Labor and Employee Benefits in China

PLC Which Lawyer? - 2009, 2008, 2007

Registration

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