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OPERATING AS WITHERS KHATTARWONG LLP IN SINGAPORE.



Ling Man is a registered foreign lawyer in the corporate team.

She focuses on corporate and capital market transactions involving corporations in many countries. Ling Man also advises on employment law, partnership and compliance matters; and as a foreign practitioner, Ling Man provides advice in banking and finance as well as intellectual property law in Singapore.

As a member of the Withers tech team, Ling Man works with venture capital funds, private investors and both established and emerging tech companies. She has particular experience in Fintech and is well versed on the existing and changing regulatory framework surrounding this area of rapid growth and development.

Track record

Acquisition of consumer goods distribution business Limited

Represented DKSH Group, a leading market expansion services provider in Asia, on its acquisition of the consumer goods distribution business of Auric Pacific Group Limited in Singapore and Malaysia for approximately S\$218.4 million.

Series C investors

Acted for both Series C investors in a round of funding by a global e-commerce platform based in Singapore. The investors included one of the world's largest international mail, shipping and distribution organisations and a venture capital subsidiary owned by an Indonesia listed company. We advised our clients in the Series C round investment, including carrying out legal and IP due diligence in numerous countries, negotiation of various definitive agreements and completing the transactions.

PT PLTG Celukan Bawang

Acting for PT PLTG Celukan Bawang, owner of a power plant project located in Bali, Indonesia, as the lead counsel on its joint venture and cooperation with Chinese conglomerate Shanghai Electric Group Co. Ltd, in developing, building and owning a gas-fired power plant in Indonesia valued over US\$1.3 billion. The Belt and Road Initiative projects along Indonesia's Regional Comprehensive Economic Corridor (CEC).

PT Kayan Hydro Energy

Acting for PT Kayan Hydro Energy, an Indonesian owner of a hydropower plant located in Kalimantan, Indonesia, as the lead counsel, on an engineering, procurement and construction (EPC) contract exceeding US\$1 billion with Power China Group's Sinohydro, as well as related financing matters. The EPC contract forms part of the US\$17.8 billion energy projects to be built by PT Kayan along the Kayan River in North Kalimantan. The Kayan Hydropower Station is a key project along Indonesia's Comprehensive Economic Corridor within the Belt and Road Initiative.

PT General Energy Bali

Acted for PT General Energy Bali, the owner of a coal-fired power plant situated in Bali, as the lead counsel throughout the entire project. This project is one of the key Belt and Road Initiative projects along Indonesia's Comprehensive Economic Corridor.

Transactional advice

Advised clients on each transaction in its entirety, including negotiations with counterparties, advised clients on the legal implications and analysed commercial risks which the clients should be mindful about having regard to the local regulatory environment and the industry the target companies operated in.

Projects advice

Advised clients on the projects from the inception including negotiations with joint venture parties, engagement of EPC contractors, etc.

Capital markets

Assisted the partner-in-charge in advising clients in Initial Public Offering, Reverse Take-over and other capital market transactions which involved companies and subsidiaries in many different jurisdictions. We also helped clients to sort out regulatory compliance issues and to restructure their group of companies in these transactions taking into account the commercial considerations and objectives the clients wish to achieve and in consultation with foreign lawyers from the relevant jurisdictions.

Partnership advice

Advised the clients in the negotiations of the terms of partnership having regard to the commercial risk and implications, and setting up a limited partnership for the clients' business in the entertainment industry.

Admissions

Advocate and Solicitor of the High Court in Malaya, Malaysia, 2009

Foreign Practitioner Certificate for Foreign Lawyer (S36B COR). Permitted to advise in Singapore Law across banking and finance, mergers and acquisitions and intellectual property law.

Education

Singapore Institute of Legal Education, Foreign Practitioner Exams

National University of Singapore, LL.M (Corporate and Financial Services Law)

Legal Profession Qualifying Board Malaysia, Certificate of Legal Practice

University of Leeds, LL.B (Hons)

Languages

Cantonese

English

Mandarin

Key dates

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