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PRACTICE AREAS

- Banking & Finance
- Banking & Securities Law
- Banking Industry Services
- Company Law
- Corporate & Capital Markets
- Corporate & Commercial Law
- Environment, Social & Governance
- Financial Services (Regulatory)
- Foreign Investment
- M&A
- Takeovers & Mergers

INDUSTRY GROUPS

- Private Wealth

QUALIFICATIONS

- Master of Laws – University of London
- Bachelor of Laws (Honours) – National University of Singapore (NUS)
- Executive Program in Managing Professional Services Firm – Harvard Business School
- Program in Negotiation – Harvard Business School

Tan Chong Huat is the Senior Partner and one of the founding members of RHTLaw Asia LLP, a leading full services legal practice with an Asia Pacific presence. He is the Non-Executive Chairman of RHT Group of Companies which is involved in sectors such as Fintech & Financial Services, Training, Learning & Development, Consulting & Advisory and Wealth & Asset Management. Chong Huat is also the chairman of China ASEAN Business Alliance, a regionally focused think tank and business network. He was also the chairman of RHT Rajan Menon Foundation which serves causes such as Arts & Sports, Disadvantaged Groups, Education and Sustainability. Chong Huat was the managing partner of KhattarWong & Partners, and RHTLaw TaylorWessing LLP, and was a member of the global board of TaylorWessing LLP.

Chong Huat has extensive experience in corporate, banking and project finance law in Singapore and the region and acted in numerous significant corporate transactions in the areas of IPOs, RTOs, MBOs, restructuring, M&As, and financing of major real estate and infrastructure in Asia. He has been named frequently a leading practitioner in many reputable professional publications, including IFLR1000 and Legal 500 Asia Pacific.

Over the years he has successfully invested in start-ups, SMEs and listed companies. He is also knowledgeable and passionate in blockchain, distributed ledger and related technologies, and cryptocurrencies having invested into 2 digital exchanges which apply the DLT technology. Notably he is the Chairman of SDAX Financial Pte Ltd.

He is an avid golfer and the President of the Singapore Golf Association.

- Graduate Certificate in International Arbitration – National University of Singapore (NUS)
- Graduate Diploma in Management Research – University of South Australia
- Certificate in Blockchain Strategy Programme – University of Oxford
- Advanced Certificate in RegTech (Regulatory Monitoring, Reporting and Compliance in the Finance Industry) – Singapore Management University
- Certificate in Executive Tax Programme (International Tax) – Tax Academy of Singapore
- Certificate in Digital Transformation: Platform Strategies for Success – Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- Certificate in Circular Economy and Sustainability Strategies – University of Cambridge Judge Business School
- Certificate in Scaling a Business: How to Build a USD 1 Billion+ Unicorn – University of Pennsylvania The Wharton School

MEMBERSHIPS

- Senior Partner and a founding member of RHTLaw Asia and Non-Executive Chairman of RHT Group of Companies
- Current Deputy Chairman of the SGX disciplinary committee and a member of the Appeals Committee of SGX
- Member of the first corporate governance council set up by the Monetary Authority of Singapore
- Fellow with the Singapore Institute of Director and Hong Kong Institute of Directors. Appointed on the boards as non-executive chairman, and independent director of listed companies in Singapore and Hong Kong
- The Financial Planning Association of Singapore has also conferred on Chong Huat an honorary membership

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Extensive experience in corporate, banking and project finance law in Singapore and the region
- Acted in numerous significant corporate transactions in the areas of IPOs, RTOs, MBOs, restructuring, M&As, and financing of major real estate and infrastructure
- Involved in the regulatory applications, formation and operational set up of numerous leading financial institutions including the Investment Company of the People's Republic of China, a subsidiary of the People's Bank of China
- Advised Asian & European high net-worth clients in their M&A, listing, divestment, business succession planning, probate, wealth and asset preservation and protection, and family governance
- Acted as a trusted go-to adviser and appointed as administrator and trustee for the estate of his high net-worth clients, as well as counsel in estate disputes involving families of leading Asian conglomerates

AWARDS & ACCOLADES

- Established a National University of Singapore Grant in favour of the Law Faculty under the name of his deceased father
- An award named RHT Tan Chong Huat Corporate Crime Award has also been established by the School of Law, Singapore Management University
- Authored two leading literatures on PRC Investment laws
- Co-authored leading titles on Corporate Governance, and Corporate Finance Law

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

- Tan Chong Huat and Azman Jaafar jointly wrote an opinion piece published on The Business Times
- The recent reports about third-party agent contracts have raised ethical and legal concerns within the medical and healthcare fraternity. Managing Partner, Tan Chong Huat and Partner, Luo Ling Ling shared their views in their joint article published in The Business Times
- Managing Partner, Tan Chong Huat, discusses lifelong learning in The Business Times' weekly column, Views from the Top
- Managing Partner, Tan Chong Huat, shares the fundamental change in demand for healthcare and social services in an ageing population with The Business Times' weekly column in Views from the Top
- Managing Partner, Tan Chong Huat, shares the key driver to regional integration with The Business Times' weekly column in Views from the Top
- Managing Partner, Tan Chong Huat, featured in The Business Times' Views from the Top

- President of the Singapore Golf Association
- Mentor for the 10th Lee Kuan Yew Global Business Plan Competition
- Chairman, RHT Rajan Menon Foundation which serves causes such as Arts, Disadvantaged Groups, Education and Sustainability
- Member, International Affairs Committee of Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce & Industry
- Sits as a Lay Person on the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants' Investigation and Disciplinary Panel
- Member, Selection Panel of SIM University Law School and has taught at the Law Faculty, National University of Singapore (AY 2007-2013), Business School, National University of Singapore (AY 2008/2009), Nanyang Business School, Nanyang Technological University (AY 2008-2012) and various other universities in Asia
- Singapore Representative, Asia Scotland Institute
- Adviser, Asia Blockchain Industry Institute
- Chairman, Asia Foundation of Digital Economics
- Managing Partner, Tan Chong Huat spoke at the Annual SME Conference and Infocomm Commerce Conference on The Disruption Affecting Services and How They Shape the Future of This Industry
- Official Launch of RHT Rajan Menon Foundation's Eldercare Guidebook by Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong
- Managing Partner, Tan Chong Huat, featured in The Business Times' weekly column, Views from the Top
- RHTLaw Taylor Wessing Managing Partner, Tan Chong Huat, featured in BT's Views from the Top column
- In this week's BT Views from the Top column, Managing Partner, Tan Chong Huat, shared more about the Foundation's vision, causes and a new initiative on sustainability, called Greening ASEAN: Initiatives & Leadership
- Managing Partner, Tan Chong Huat, highlights the major driver in intensifying efforts and explains why cash usage should remain an option in Business Times' Views From The Top
- RHTLaw Taylor Wessing Managing Partner, Mr Tan Chong Huat, shares his views on the historic June 12 summit between Donald Trump and Kim Jong Un on Business Times' weekly column 'Views From The Top'
- In this week's Business Times' Views from the Top column, RHT Law Taylor Wessing Managing Partner Tan Chong Huat highlighted the Firm's shared optimism with its Korean Asean Plus Group partner DR & AJU on the prospects of greater development and business activity on the Korean peninsula. This follows recent progress in reconciliation between North and South Korea.
- RHTLaw Taylor Wessing's Managing Partner, Tan Chong Huat and RHTLaw Taylor Wessing's Private Wealth Practice's Partner and Deputy Head, Benjamin Szeto, discuss practical steps that may be taken to avoid or mitigate the impact of family feuds and spats arising in high-net-worth families, including distributing assets, using trusts and passing the baton before one passes on
- RHTLaw Taylor Wessing Managing Partner Tan Chong Huat shares with The Business Times how RHTLaw Taylor Wessing ensures it gets its share of top talent
- "The US decision on the Broadcom-Qualcomm deal should act as a wake-up call that business is about openness and trust," shares Managing Partner Tan Chong Huat with The Business Times
- Managing Partner Tan Chong Huat and Co-Head of Employment Practice Vernon Voon welcome the latest review of the Employment Act to extend basic employment protections to all professionals, managers and executives in their co-authored opinion piece published in The Business Times
- "Like computer viruses, fake news is mischievous handiwork of little or no socioeconomic benefit", shared Managing Partner Tan Chong Huat with The Business Times

- Find out why the Corporate Governance Council's move to enhance the independence of directors is timely, in the opinion piece written by Managing Partner Tan Chong Huat and Head of Capital Markets Ch'ng Li-Ling in The Business Times
- "SGX's proposed simplification of quarterly reports may not reduce compliance costs significantly, but would free up management's time for more critical tasks such as company strategy," shares Managing Partner Tan Chong Huat with The Business Times
- Managing Partner Tan Chong Huat was quoted by The Straits Times on the Prevention of Corruption Act, in light of Singapore's biggest corruption scandal involving Keppel Offshore & Marine
- Managing Partner Tan Chong Huat and RHT Forensics & Disputes Advisory Consultant Billy Huang co-authored opinion piece titled "Safeguarding your company against corporate corruption overseas" in the Business Times