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Seminar on GST for Lawyers and Law Firms (13 Mar 2015)

On 25 Oct 2013, the Malaysian Government announced that the Goods and Services Tax ("GST") will be implemented on 1 Apr 2015. GST is set to replace the current sales and services tax.

The Continuing Professional Development ("CPD") Department is organising a seminar regarding GST, which is open to Members of the Bar and administrative staff from law firms **only**.

The details of the seminar are as follows:

Date: 13 Mar 2015 (Friday) Time: 2:30 pm to 5:30 pm

Venue: Swiss Garden Hotel, 117 Jalan Pudu, Bukit Bintang,

50150 Kuala Lumpur

Registration Fee: RM200

CPD Code: T3/13032015/BC/BC152142/3

CPD Points: Three

The programme is as follows:

Time	Programme
2:00 pm – 2:30 pm	Registration
2:30 pm – 3:00 pm	GST: Basic Concepts and Some Pointers for Law Firms,
	by_Anand Raj
3:30 pm – 3:45 pm	Tea Break
3:45 pm – 4:45 pm	GST: Practical Issues and Experience, by Yeoh Chui En
4:45 pm – 5.30 pm	Question-and-Answer Session*

^{*}To help facilitate better discussion, please click here to submit, in advance, your questions on GST and its implications to law firms. Please note that questions relating to lawyers and law firms providing advice on GST and / or tax to their clients, and questions submitted on the day of the event, will not be entertained.

The speakers for the seminar are:

Yeoh Chui En. Tax Consultant

Yeoh Chui En is a tax professional with more than 30 years' experience in the field of taxation, having worked in a "BigFour" firm for 11 years, and in the oil and gas sector for more than 25 years. His initial training was with KPMG Kuala Lumpur, where he spent four years in the audit department and qualified as a Certified Public Accountant ("CPA") in 1981.

In 1988, he joined Schlumberger, the largest oilfield services company in the world, to work as their regional tax manager in Singapore.

For the next 16 years, he worked on international tax assignments in a number of countries, namely Singapore, UAE (Dubai), France (Paris) and USA (Houston). Upon completion of a restructuring exercise involving the non-oil and gas business of Schlumberger, he returned from Paris to Kuala Lumpur in 2004 as head of the Schlumberger Asia Tax Department.

In 2009, he took early retirement and went to work for Technip, a French engineering company, at its regional headquarters in Kuala Lumpur until his retirement at the end of June 2014.

He currently provides services in the areas of tax consultancy and advice, tax audit management and planning, and training-equipping-application-mentoring (T-E-A-M), as well as acts as life coach.

Anand Raj, Partner, Messrs Shearn Delamore & Co

Anand Raj was admitted as an advocate and solicitor of the High Court of Malaya in October 1996 and has been a partner of Messrs Shearn Delamore & Co since 2003. He practises in tax and competition law and regularly appears for taxpayers in tax litigation matters before the Special Commissioners of Income Tax, the Special Commissioners of Petroleum Income Tax and the superior courts.

Anand is the Chairperson of the Bar Council Tax Subcommittee, the former Chairperson of the Tax Committee of the American Malaysian Chamber of Commerce, and a member of the Bar Council Competition Law Subcommittee. He is also a member of the Executive Committee of the International Fiscal Association ("IFA"), Malaysia Branch and the IFA Asia Pacific Regional Committee.

Places are limited and registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. To attend the seminar, kindly:

- (1) complete the online registration form here; or
- (2) complete and submit the attached registration form and proof of payment by fax to 03-2050 2112, or by email to cpd@malaysianbar.org.my.

Please note that all registrations, whether online, by fax or email, have to be submitted by **9 Mar 2015** (**Monday**). We highly encourage online payment, for easier tracking.

Payment options:

- (1) Direct deposit to Hong Leong Bank Berhad, No 9 Jalan Tun Tan Cheng Lock, 50000 Kuala Lumpur (Account: 283-00-00108-6; SWIFT code: **HLBBMYKL**); or
- (2) Cheque or bank draft, payable to "Bar Council"; or
- (3) Cash payment, at the ground floor of the Bar Council Secretariat.

Should you have any enquiries, please contact Roslan Mahamud or Mohd Fazli Rosman, by telephone at 03-2050 2111, or by email at cpd@malaysianbar.org.my.

Thank you.

Anand Raj Chairperson Tax Subcommittee Corporate and Commercial Law Committee HR Dipendra and Raphael Tay Co-Chairpersons Professional Standards and Development Committee

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Cancellations must be made in writing. The organiser reserves the right to modify, cancel or postpone the event, should circumstances arise that makes such action necessary. Points for the CPD Scheme will not be awarded to Members of the Bar who arrive more than 15 minutes late, are not present throughout the event, or leave before its scheduled end.

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