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## **The Evolving Energy and Petroleum Laws of Thailand, Vietnam, Malaysia and China: A Comparative Overview of the Changing Regulatory Landscape**

Tuesday, June 11, 2024 | 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

### **Program Description**

This workshop will provide a comprehensive and comparative overview of the current and emerging energy and petroleum laws in four Asian countries: Thailand, Vietnam, Malaysia and China. It will examine the legal frameworks, challenges and opportunities for investors and operators in these jurisdictions, as well as the regional and global implications of their energy policies. Led by Dr. Piti, a leading academic in Thailand Petroleum laws and advisor to the Thai Government in the drafting of the new Thailand Petroleum Act and law firm partners with extensive expertise and experience in the energy sector.

### **Workshop Faculty**

#### **Farin bin Abdul Aziz, Partner, Skrine**

Fariz is a corporate transactional partner, focusing on domestic and cross-border mergers & acquisitions (M&A), joint ventures, privatizations, foreign investment, private equity investments and advisory services. Key industries in which Fariz is active include oil & gas, petrochemicals, power, shipping and insurance. He regularly represents leading foreign multinationals on their inward bound transactions, divestments as well as domestic operations. Fariz also advises Malaysian entities on their outward investment. Fariz previously served as a Facilitator for the Prime Minister's Department's Performance Management & Delivery Unit's (PEMANDU) Corridors & Cities Lab, covering the Manufacturing and Oil, Gas & Petrochemical Entry Point Projects in the East Coast Economic Region.

#### **Joanne Du, Partner, Mayer Brown**

Joanne Du is a partner of Mayer Brown LLP and a Registered Foreign Consultant (New York, USA) of Mayer Brown. Joanne advises international and national energy companies, petrochemical companies, energy services companies, energy project funds, as well as other investors that focus on investment in the energy sector. She assists energy companies in their domestic and international investments, mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, and joint operations around the world. Her work includes advice and assistance to the clients in the bid and tendering process, and on the investment assessment, strategy and structures, due diligence review, share acquisitions, asset acquisitions, investment and operation compliance, production sharing contracts, participation agreements, leases, concession agreements, joint studies, joint operating, farm-in/farm-out agreements, gas sales and distribution, LNG SPAs. She has been involved in a number of headline transactions in China, Indonesia, Malaysia, Azerbaijan, Vietnam, Cambodia, the United States, Canada, Africa, the Middle East, and other energy centers around the world. Joanne is an active member of the Association of International Energy Negotiators (AIEN). She passed the National Judicial Examination by the People's Republic of China.

#### **Dr. Piti Eiamchamroonlarp, Program Director, Faculty of Law, Chulalongkorn University**

Asst. Prof. Dr. Piti Eiamchamroonlarp, is the director of the LL.M. in Business Law (International Program) at Chulalongkorn University (Thailand) and also a special lecturer at Thammasat University (Thailand). He holds the degrees of LL.B. (with Honours) and LL.M. (Public Law) from Thammasat University. Sponsored by the Thai Government, he obtained the degrees of LL.M. (oil and gas law) and Ph.D. (oil and gas law) from the University of Aberdeen (UK). He was admitted as a Thai lawyer by the Thai Lawyer Council and is a member of the Thai Bar Association. His teaching and research interests are energy law, business laws, and laws relating to public-private partnership projects. At Chulalongkorn University, he is responsible for teaching petroleum law as well as law pertaining to energy and natural resources projects in Thailand and other ASEAN countries. At Thammasat University, he is responsible for teaching administrative law for business for the LL.B. Program. Piti has served as an education Advisory Board of the Association of International Energy Negotiators (AIEN). He has been appointed as a member of the sub-committee on energy businesses laws examination and development (Energy Regulatory Commission) and an arbitrator of the Thailand Arbitration Center for energy and investment disputes. The Energy Regulatory Commission recognized Piti as an expert to be nominated as a member of a public hearing committee for environmental and health impact assessment of an energy project.

**Luu Hoang Ha, Chairman, Nami Energy**

Ha is one of the most experienced energy lawyers in Vietnam and has been instrumental in the development of key policies and regulations for the Vietnamese energy sector as a whole. Ha brought together a team of highly experienced investors and professionals and is responsible for setting Nami's vision, values and strategy as well as ensuring Nami is consistently growing in a sustainable way.