

## Autumn ECM seminar series: Raising the stakes



Simmons & Simmons is raising the stakes with a second series of international ECM seminars featuring our ECM specialists and external guest speakers.

Seminars will take place at the London office of Simmons & Simmons, either as breakfast seminars (from 08:15 to 09:30) or as evening seminars (from 18:30 to 19:45). Evening seminars will be followed by networking drinks and canapés.

### **23 Sep – Evening seminar**

#### **Secondary offerings – latest developments**

Come up trumps with the latest developments, tips and tricks from the perspective of issuers and underwriters in secondary offerings, including an update on the rights issue review process.

**Guest speaker: Jonathan Rees, FSA**

### **14 Oct – Evening seminar**

#### **ECM in the Middle East**

An update from the Middle East with topics including Saudi ECM and UAE rule changes as well as US securities updates relevant to the region.

### **28 Oct – Evening seminar**

#### **European exchanges – raise or fold?**

We will be surveying the major European exchanges and reviewing the key business and legal trends of market selection for IPOs and secondary listings. European markets explored will include the London Stock Exchange's Main Market and AIM, NYSE Euronext and AIM Italia.

### **11 Nov – Evening seminar**

#### **A strong hand inside the boardroom**

A review of the latest initiatives on corporate governance for listed companies, banks and other financial institutions and their impact on the decision making process. Our discussion will cover the Walker Review and the FRC review of the Combined Code as well as related developments affecting remuneration.

**Guest speaker: Bruce Rayfield, Senior Manager, London Stock Exchange**

### **25 Nov – Breakfast seminar**

#### **Shining a light into “dark pools”**

What are dark pools and how do they work? Dark pools offer institutional investors many of the efficiencies associated with trading on the exchanges' public limit order books but without showing their hands to others.

### **09 Dec – Breakfast seminar**

#### **ECM and US securities hot topics**

A round up of the latest ECM and US securities issues impacting the London and international capital markets and also a few ECM wild cards.

**Guest speaker: Lorraine Charlton, Director, European Primary Markets Division, SIFMA**

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