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The Tax Academy collaborates with leaders in the industry and academia to develop and deliver programmes that effectively raise the professional competency, knowledge and capabilities of the tax community. It provides a platform for exchange among tax officials, tax professionals and academia. The Tax Academy also supports the strategic engagement of foreign tax officials and policymakers through its regional programmes.

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## Asia-Pacific Regional Tax Conference

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## IFA Singapore and Tax Academy of Singapore

proudly present the first Asia-Pacific Regional Tax Conference to be held from 2-4 April 2013.

Supported by IFA US, this conference represents a unique forum for tax practitioners, tax administrators, tax policymakers and academics to discuss current key issues on Asia-Pacific taxation.

The Conference will feature leading international and regional tax experts as well as representatives of a number of tax authorities in the Asia-Pacific region.

The keynote address will be on global trends and developments in international tax anti-avoidance. The plenary sessions will include developments in Asia-Pacific tax policy and administration, permanent establishment issues and challenges, business restructuring and the resolution of tax disputes.

A feature of the Conference will be a series of workshop seminars that will explore in detail aspects of the main topics. Issues such as beneficial ownership, GAAR developments (including India's GAAR), indirect transfers and APAs will be considered. The programme will conclude with a discussion by a panel of respected Asia-based tax directors on practical strategies to manage tax in Asia.

A series of post-seminar workshops will be held on topics such as regulatory and tax developments impacting funds, investment and taxes in China, transfer pricing trends and developments and India tax management strategies.

## CONFIRMED SPEAKERS

Alan Ross, PwC Singapore  
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 John Neighbour, KPMG UK  
 John Nicolai, IFA US  
 Josephine Peng, Lee and Li Taiwan  
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# CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

### DAY 1 | Morning Session

8.00 am – 8.45 am	Registration
8.45 am – 9.10 am	Conference Opening
9.10 am – 9.30 am	An Introduction to IFA
9.30 am – 10.45 am	Plenary: Developments and Trends in Asia-Pacific Tax Policy and Administration
10.45 am – 11.15 am	Refreshment Break
11.15 am – 12.30 pm	Keynote Speech: Global Developments and Trends in International Anti-Avoidance
12.30 pm – 1.30 pm	Lunch
1.30 pm – 2.00 pm	Development of Singapore Tax

### DAY 1 | Afternoon Session

2.00 pm – 5.00 pm	Workshop Seminars <i>Choose 2:</i> Workshop A: Meaning of "Beneficial Ownership" Workshop B: India GAAR: "The Journey To Date" Workshop C: Developments in International Anti-Avoidance in Asia-Pacific
5.00 pm – 6.00 pm	Plenary: International Tax Planning Strategies
6.00 pm	Day 1 Close
6.00 pm – 8.00 pm	Cocktail Networking Session

### DAY 2 | Morning Session

8.45 am – 9.45 am	Plenary: Permanent Establishments
9.45 am – 10.45 am	Plenary: Taxation of Royalties with Special Reference to Payments for the Use of Software
10.45 am – 11.15 am	Refreshment Break
11.15 am – 12.30 pm	Cross Border Business Restructuring
12.30 pm – 1.30 pm	Lunch
1.30 pm – 2.00 pm	Singapore as a Business Location

### DAY 2 | Afternoon Session

2.00 pm – 3.30 pm	Workshop Seminar <i>Choose 1:</i> Workshop A: Taxation of Cross Border Service Fees Workshop B: APAs in Asia-Pacific: Developments, Trends and Current Experience
3.30 pm – 4.00 pm	Refreshment Break
4.00 pm – 5.00 pm	Plenary: Resolution of Tax Disputes
5.00 pm – 6.00 pm	Plenary: Managing Tax in Asia: Practical Strategies
6.00 pm	Conference Close

### DAY 3 | Post Conference Workshops

9.00 am – 12.30 pm	Workshop Seminars <i>Choose 2:</i> A. Perspectives on Foreign Investment and Taxes in China B. Regulatory and Tax Developments Impacting Funds C. India Tax Management and Strategies D. Transfer Pricing Trends and Developments
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