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### Program Agenda

DAY 1

Wednesday, 20 November 2013

0830

Registration & Morning Coffee

0900

Legal Framework of Commercial Contracts

- Introduction to Thai Contract Law
  - Types of Commercial Contracts
  - Crucial Issues in Contract Formation:

Acceptance

Formality

Enforceability

Court's Power to Scale Down Contractual Provisions

Legal Capacity

Consideration

Applicability of Statutory Arrangements/Implied Terms

**Opting Out of Statutory Arrangements** 

1030

Morning Refreshment

1045

Common Features of Commercial Contract -Boiler Plate - PART 1



- Witnesseth
- Representations & Warranties
- Obligations of Parties
- Liquidated Damage (Penalty)
- Indemnification
- · Limited Liability Provisions
- · Non-waiver
- Assignment

1200

1300 Common Features of Commercial Contract -Boiler Plate - PART 2



- · Force Majeure
- **Entire Agreement**
- Confidentiality Clause
- Termination
- Choice of Law
- Choice of Jurisdiction
- Arbitration
- Notice
- Severability

1415

Afternoon Refreshment

1430

Mastering Drafting & Reviewing Skills

- · Points to Consider when Drafting Contract
  - Practical Tips when Reviewing Contract
  - Beware of Common Contract Mistakes
  - Contract Terminology and Interpretation
  - Critical Aspects of Contract Signing

1545

Q&A and Course Round-Up

DAY 2

Thursday, 21 November 2013

0830

Registration & Morning Coffee

0900

Key Considerations of Sales and Supply Contracts

- Sales Contract vs. Supply Contract (Hire of Work)
- Identifying the Critical Provisions of Sales Contract
- Transfer of Risk of Loss/Damage and Transfer of Title
- Insourcing vs. Outsoucing
- **Understanding Different Types of Supply Contract** (Hire of Work)
- · Designing Critical Provisions in Supply Contract
- · Practical Problems in Sales and Supply Contracts

1030

Morning Refreshment

1045 Strategic Drafting, Negotiating and

Managing Distribution Agreement



- Types of Distribution Agreement (Sales Agency Agreement and Distribution/Dealer Agreement)
- Exclusivity vs. Non-Exclusivity
- Key Provisions of Distribution Agreement
- Sales and Marketing Policies
- Trade Name and Trademark Licensing
- Legal Requirements on Licensing of Registered Trademark
- Restrictions on Export of Products (Control over Distribution of Products)

1200

Lunch

1300 Risk Management in Commercial Contracts

- · Identifying Business Objectives and Concerns of Parties
- Assessing, Analyzing and Mitigating the Risks in **Commercial Contracts**
- · Strategies for Effective Contract Management to Avoid Dispute/Litigation and to Strengthen Your Position
- Breach of Contract, Claim and Remedy
- **Negotiation Strategies**

1415 Afternoon Refreshment

1430 Tax Aspects of International Contracts



- Potential Tax and Civil Liabilities for Signing a Contract for the Offshore Party
- Contract Split between Sales Contract and Services Agreement
- Use of Double Taxation Agreement
- Business Profit vs. Royalty
- Tax Considerations in Wording the Cross Border Services Agreement

1545 Q&A and Course Round-Up

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early contractual risks and how to successfully avoid pitfalls

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insightful viewpoints from expert trainer's real world experience

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Is everyone in your organization developing solid legal knowledge that is required to manage commercial contracts in today's highly competitive business environment? They should be. None should underestimate the importance of a bulletproof commercial contract in protecting companies against damages, claims and losses.

A commercial contract is a crucial part of the business world, but largely ignored or puzzled by many business professionals in this part of the world.

#### Why a commercial contract is crucial?

This is because one clause in a commercial contract can make a whole lot difference between winning and losing when a dispute cannot be amicably settled. The thin line between winning and losing often translates into making or losing a lot of money. This is what counts.

As a matter of fact, a properly drafted contract can help you achieve a lot of purposes:

- √ it helps you advance your own agenda;
- √ it protects your interest; and
- √ it mitigates or even eliminates any potential risk on your side.

Understanding a legal framework of commercial contracts is important even for non-lawyers. You, a business professional, negotiate with customers, suppliers, business partners, business associates and colleagues everyday. You try to negotiate to the best of your ability and document whatever you agree with your counterparty. But how do you know whatever you put in a contract will be upheld in the court of law? It is not uncommon for a court to strike down any poorly or wrongly worded clause in a commercial contract.

To become a better negotiator in business in Thailand, you need to know what can be agreed and what cannot be agreed in a commercial contract under Thai law.

This course will walk you through commonly used techniques that mitigate or even eliminate any potential risk and highlight contractual provisions that are unlikely be upheld in court. The knowledge of commercial contracts will definitely make you a powerful negotiator.

This course will also explore in detail the crucial terms and conditions of the distribution agreement, the sales contract and the supply contract (hire of work contract), which are ones of the most used commercial contracts.

Last but not least, the last session will cover tax aspects of international contracts. The contract split is used in a cross border transaction as a way to minimize Thai tax. The DTA exempts Thai tax on the business profit for an offshore company, but does not exempt Thai tax on the royalty. Obviously, the types of income are terribly important here. How do you word the cross border services agreement so that the tax authority is likely to recognize its income as the business profit, not the royalty?

### **Who Should Attend**

This program is specifically designed for those who want to gain the working knowledge on contract law and also to enhance their practical drafting and reviewing skills, including:

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