



Independent Commission Against Corruption

invites you to attend



a Lecture by **Professor Barry A.K. Rider**
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Topic: ACCOUNTABILITY AND RESPONSIBILITY – Reinforcing the Criminal Law

Date : 1st April 2009 (Wednesday)

Time : 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Venue : Rayson Huang Theatre, University of Hong Kong

Language : English (with simultaneous interpretation in Putonghua)

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In recent years we have increasingly recognized in many jurisdictions that the traditional criminal justice system and its institutions cannot always effectively and expeditiously bring the perpetrators of serious fraud and corruption to book. This has long been recognized in Hong Kong and over the years the authorities in Hong Kong have imaginatively looked to other weapons in the legal system to protect the integrity of businesses and markets. This with the emphasis that is today placed on interdicting the proceeds of crime and in particular corruption, has had a significant impact on those who in the ordinary course of their business handle other people's wealth.

The legal and regulatory risks that are now cast upon banks, financial intermediaries and their professional advisers by such laws and initiatives are not always well appreciated or understood. Indeed, in some jurisdictions, including the United Kingdom, questions are being asked as to whether the burden of risk and in particular compliance placed upon business is too great and disproportionate to the results that the criminal justice system is able to deliver. On the other hand, given the recklessness and self-interest that has undermined western banking and financial systems there is a real issue as to whether we should not be better able to promote effective stewardship and integrity - not least through the criminal law.

Professor Barry Rider who has advised numerous governments, including Hong Kong and China, over many years will seek to address these issues.

Admission is **FREE** to all attendees.

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