



# HARNESSING OPPORTUNITIES and OVERCOMING CHALLENGES

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## Public-Private Partnerships Conference

HONG KONG CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTRE

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### ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

The United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) will issue the updated “UNCITRAL Legislative Guide on Public-Private Partnerships” in 2019. This international conference aims to explore the untapped opportunities for infrastructure projects along the Belt and Road and how to use PPPs to unlock such opportunities. Expert speakers will share their experiences in PPP projects, including how opportunities have been harnessed and how challenges have been overcome. Special focus will also be given to assessing, allocating and avoiding risks in infrastructure projects, and how to ensure PPP projects are sustainable.

Invitations have been sent to speakers from the State-owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission of the State Council (SASAC), the Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM) and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA); other speakers and participants will include government officials, state-owned enterprises, transnational corporations and other stakeholders in the construction industry as well as legal and financial sectors.

This conference provides a unique business opportunity for those interested in infrastructure projects to exchange views and network with one another.

## PROGRAMME

### DAY-1

#### Registration

#### Opening

#### **International trend and standard for PPPs: Introduction to the UNCITRAL PPPs Legislative Guide**

An overview of the UNCITRAL PPPs Legislative Guide and its revision to account for the development of PPPs in international trends will be provided.

#### **PPPs – the key to unlocking opportunities for the Belt and Road projects and experiences distilled from recent developments**

This session will highlight untapped opportunities for infrastructure projects along the Belt and Road and the great potential of using PPPs to unlock such opportunities.

#### **UNCITRAL PPPs Legislative Guide: the perfect tool for PPPs**

This session will explain the salient features of the UNCITRAL PPPs Legislative Guide and how this may benefit PPP projects along the Belt and Road.

#### **3 As: Assessing, Allocating and Avoiding risks in infrastructure projects**

Against the context of project risks and government support, this session will discuss how to assess, allocate and ultimately avoid/mitigate risks involved in PPP projects.

#### **Sustainable PPPs in practice**

This session will discuss criteria on how to evaluate and ensure PPPs meet sustainability standards and to meet the challenges of delivery.

### DAY-2

#### Registration

#### **How to devise effective PPP contract award procedures for financing infrastructure projects?**

This session will discuss devising PPP contract award procedures to secure funding, and how the UNCITRAL PPPs Legislative Guide may address potential pitfalls.

#### **Designs in project agreements to safeguard interests from multiple perspectives**

In relation to the legislative framework and project agreement, this session will discuss ways to safeguard interests of various parties in different stages of a PPP project.

#### **Settlement of disputes in a cost effective and efficient manner**

This session will discuss different dispute settlement mechanisms in settling disputes, making reference to the PPPs Legislative Guide and latest developments globally.

#### **Conclusions and Recommendations**

#### Closing

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