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9:15 REGISTRATION

9:50 WELCOME REMARKS

10:00 Overview of the Indian M&A landscape
  • How do we see M&A activity shaping up in the next 12 months?
  • Reviewing deal flow over the past 12 months
  • Analysing the hot sectors in the M&A space
  • Key legal and regulatory updates to be aware of
  • The investor’s and market’s reaction to the results of the election – a look at M&A activity during election year
  • Policy changes and how the new government has coordinated with regulators

Vaibhav Kakar, partner, L&amp;L Partners (moderator)
Rajeev Gupta, founding partner, ArpWood Capital Limited
Manish Jain, managing director – head of India, SSG Advisors
Nishant Sharma, co-founder & partner, Kedaara Capital

10:50 Progressing with the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code
  • Lessons learned from the past 12 months of M&A activity related to the IBC
  • A look at pre IBC and post IBC
  • What to do with extremely stressed companies, e.g. non-banking financial companies. Is there an opportunity?
  • Distressed companies: what M&A opportunities arise in terms of assets

Cyril Shroff, managing partner, Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas (moderator)
Nikhil Shah, managing director, Alvarez & Marsal India
Aarti Raghavan, head – mergers & acquisitions, Vedanta
Praveen Thomas, executive director and senior counsel, SSG Advisors
Nivedita Rao, partner (deputy head – corporate), Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas

11:40 NETWORKING AND COFFEE BREAK

12:00 The state of private equity in India
  • Deal trends and opportunities for PE investors in 2019-2020
  • A look at types of investment modes, including controlling or minority interest, public market investments and more
  • PE investment opportunities in distressed assets
  • Preferred routes for exits
  • Regulatory developments impacting investment
  • Macro trends affecting private equity in India

Rajat Sethi, partner, S&amp;R Associates (moderator)
Himanshu Dodeja, managing director and head of legal, India, Blackstone
Sundareswaran S, executive director, Morgan Stanley
Gautam Narayan, partner, Apax Partners
Rohan Suri, principal, KKR

12:50 Complexities of cross-border transactions
  • Is India Inc. once again looking to go global?
  • Cross-border M&A opportunities arising from global macro uncertainties
  • Corporate governance challenges and anti-corruption issues in India M&A cross-border activity
  • The pros and cons of joint ventures
  • Key trends for cross-border M&amp;A

Sidharth Bhasin, partner, Shearman & Sterling (moderator)
Mohit Kapoor, group executive vice president & head – legal, RBL Bank
Rohit Kumar, general counsel, UPL
Varsha Jhawar, head, Alantra India
Ajay Candade, director, private equity, KKR

13:40 NETWORKING LUNCH

14:30 A look at the Healthcare industry
  • With the domestic market changing rapidly, what are the key considerations to look out for?
  • Tapping into new opportunities: from the ageing to the growing population
  • Coping with pricing pressure and regulation changes in the US
  • Outbound investments from India into the overseas healthcare sector
  • Mitigating the risks in anti-corruption compliance

Geoffrey Burgess, partner, Debevoise & Plimpton (moderator)
Preeti Balwani, general counsel India, Kraft Heinz
Vivek Mittal, regional counsel – Middle East, Turkey, Africa and India sub-continent, Danaher Diagnostics Platform
Amit Thukral, vice president – legal & compliance, Lupin
Andrew Bab, partner, Debevoise & Plimpton

15:20 The rise of shareholders activism
  • Case study: L&amp;T v Mindtree: key learnings from India’s first hostile takeover in the IT sector
  • Takeover regulations to be aware of
  • Issues arising from corporate governance
  • Best practices with on-boarding and operational changes

Krishnava Dutt, managing partner, Argus Partners (moderator)
Parvatheswaram Kanchinadham, chief legal officer (corporate & compliance) and company secretary, Tata Steel
Mrunal Chandran, general counsel, India Resurgent Fund
Adity Chaudhury, partner, Argus Partners

16:10 NETWORKING AND COFFEE BREAK

16:25 Dispute resolution in M&amp;A transactions
  • Choosing the appropriate dispute resolution forum for M&amp;As
  • Drafting arbitration agreements in M&amp;A
  • Devising a strategy to handle disputes in M&amp;A – managing pre and post-closing disputes
  • Mitigating the risks of disputes

Krishnava Dutt, partner, Verus, Advocates (moderator)
Sudip Gupta, senior vice president, CLO-Asia, American Tower Corporation
Shantanu Mukherjee, legal head, APAC and Japan, Lupin
Tarun Mathur, commercial counsel India (global legal), Huntsman
Harish Suryavanshi, senior corporate counsel, Tech Mahindra

17:15 Data privacy and the new world of business in M&amp;A
  • Preparing for full implementation of data privacy rules in India
  • Cross-border data privacy considerations and the effect of GDPR
  • Strengthening your due diligence for data protection
  • Proposed overhaul for e-commerce sector - developing data protection regulations in the region

Amber Gupta, head legal & company secretary, Aditya Birla Sun Life Insurance (moderator)
Subhrarag Mukherjee, AP region lead counsel – communications services business, Hewlett Packard Enterprise
Lopamudra Roa, head - legal, Ola Cabs
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