



# CIBEL-SJTU joint workshop on technology and finance

Herbert Smith Freehills China International Business & Economic Law (CIBEL) Centre

## Event details

**Date:** Friday, 19 March 2021  
**Time:** 1:00pm-4:30pm AEDT / 10:00am-1:30pm CST  
**Format:** Virtual presentations via Microsoft Teams Live  
**Moderators:**

[Panel 1](#)




Professor Deborah Healey  
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[Panel 2](#)

Professor Liyang Hou  
 Koguan Law School,  
 Shanghai Jiao Tong University

## Agenda

<b>Panel 1: Different approaches to Digital Currency</b> 1:00pm-2:30pm AEDT / 10:00am-11:30am CST	
1:00pm  (AEDT)	<p><b>Welcome and Introduction</b></p> <p>Professor Deborah Healey            Co-Director, Herbert Smith Freehills CIBEL Centre, UNSW Law &amp; Justice</p>  <p>Deborah Healey, Professor at UNSW Law &amp; Justice and Co-Director of UNSW Law’s Herbert Smith Freehills CIBEL Centre. She teaches courses in Competition Law at undergraduate and postgraduate levels, and a comparative competition law course Global Issues in Competition Law and Policy (which focuses on jurisdictions including China). She has developed a course in Asian Competition Law which she teaches with other regional experts, and also teaches Australian Consumer Law. She taught Comparative Competition Law at Tsinghua University in Beijing (2013) and is regularly invited to speak at leading international universities, particularly in China and Hong Kong. Deborah's current research focus is on competition law, particularly the Anti-Monopoly Law of China, but also Singapore and Hong Kong. Deborah is also a well-known sports lawyer, who has developed and teaches in number of sports related commercial courses in the LLM programme, as well as researching and writing in the area.</p>

<p>1:03pm (AEDT)</p>	<p><b>RBA's views on CBDC</b></p> <p>Mr Chris Thompson Deputy Head of Payments Policy, Reserve Bank of Australia</p>  <p>Chris Thompson has been a Deputy Head of the Payments Policy Department at the Reserve Bank of Australia since 2016, where he contributes to the RBA's policy work in relation to promoting a safe, competitive and efficient payments system. He has also been involved in the RBA's work on central bank digital currency, including research conducted in the RBA's Innovation Lab. He has previously had a number of other roles in the RBA, including as Chief Representative in the RBA's New York Representative Office (from 2013 to 2016), and prior to that in the Financial Stability, Domestic Markets and Economic Analysis Departments. He was an Advisor to one of the Executive Directors of the IMF from 2008 to 2010 and did his graduate study at the London School of Economics.</p>
<p>1:20pm (AEDT)</p>	<p><b>China's approach to central bank digital currency</b></p> <p>Professor Heng Wang Co-Director, Herbert Smith Freehills CIBEL Centre, UNSW Law &amp; Justice</p>  <p>Heng Wang is co-director of UNSW Law's China International Business and Economic Law (CIBEL) Initiative. Heng researches into the Belt and Road Initiative, China and economic (de)globalization, and central bank digital currency (CBDC). He was or is executive council member of one global, two Asian and all three Chinese societies of international economic law. Heng spoke at the WTO Headquarters and leading institutions including Harvard University, Oxford University, New York University and the LSE. He taught in Australia, Canada, China, Japan, Singapore, and the US as visiting professor, and has been frequently interviewed by media.</p>
<p>1:37pm (AEDT)</p>	<p><b>CBDCs in 2021, What has changed</b></p> <p>Mr Charles d'Haussy Director of Strategic Initiatives, ConsenSys Hong Kong</p>  <p>Charles d'Haussy is Asia managing director at ConsenSys, a leading blockchain engineering company. Among his responsibilities, he leads ConsenSys' project on central-bank digital currencies with Hong Kong Monetary Authority and Bank of Thailand. Prior to this, Charles served as head of fintech with the Hong Kong government (InvestHK). In that capacity he helped found and scale Hong Kong Fintech Week, and supported the growth of over 450 fintech companies. He has 15 years of prior experience in Hong Kong's private sector and is licensed to invest and deal in securities. In 2018, Charles was elected as a Top-50 fintech influencer in Asia. In 2021 he published Block Kong, a book about Blockchain leaders shaping the Hong Kong blockchain ecosystem. He studied in France at Rennes International Business School and in Guangzhou, China at Sun Yat</p>

	Sen University. He is a certified Bitcoin professional and studied blockchain business strategy at Be9 London.
1:54pm (AEDT)	<p><b>Commentary</b></p> <p>Professor Wei Shen Koguan Law School, Shanghai Jiao Tong University</p>  <p>Wei Shen is a KoGuan Distinguished Professor of Law at Shanghai Jiao Tong University Law School. Prior to teaching at the law school, Professor Shen practiced in major US and UK firms in Shanghai, Chicago and Hong Kong for a decade primarily assisting multinational clients in their China-related transactions such as foreign direct investment, private equity, mergers and acquisitions, project finance and commercial arbitration. He is now teaching international investment law, international financial regulation, company law, international economic law and contract law in the law school. Professor Shen's current research interests include international investment law, corporate governance, financial regulation, and international commercial arbitration.</p>
2:11pm (AEDT)	<p><b>Q&amp;A</b></p> <p>Moderator: <b>Professor Deborah Healey</b></p>
2:28pm (AEDT)	<p><b>Closing remarks</b></p>

<p><b>Panel 2: Impact of CBDC for the business communities and the challenges for regulation and compliance</b> 3:00pm-4:30pm AEDT / 12:00pm-1:30pm CST</p>	
3:00pm (AEDT)	<p><b>Welcome and Introduction</b></p> <p>Professor Liyang Hou Koguan Law School, Shanghai Jiao Tong University</p>  <p>Liyang Hou is Professor of Competition Law at KoGuan Law School, Shanghai Jiao Tong University (Shanghai). He obtained his PhD of law from Katholieke Universiteit Leuven. Liyang's research interest covers a variety of legal domains, such as competition law, Internet regulation, telecom regulation and economic analysis of law. He has published about 10 books and more than 60 academic articles in academic journals.</p>

<p>3:03pm (AEDT)</p>	<p><b>China's DCEP as the global catalyst for CBDCs – the data consequences of payments</b></p> <p>Scientia Professor Ross Buckley Herbert Smith Freehills CIBEL Centre, UNSW Law &amp; Justice</p>  <p>Ross Buckley joined the Faculty in 2007, and was appointed a Scientia Professor and to the CIFR King &amp; Wood Mallesons Chair in International Finance Law in 2013. His principal area of research interest is in regulatory measures to increase the resilience and stability of financial systems. Ross has written a substantial number of publications exploring how China might more effectively participate in international financial governance. His present particular focus is on the regulation of digital financial services in a range of jurisdictions including China. Ross has led four major three-year research projects funded by the ARC and received numerous other research grants. He co-edits two book series for Wolters Kluwer of The Hague on international banking and finance law and international trade law.</p>
<p>3:20pm (AEDT)</p>	<p><b>Law and macroeconomics of CBDC and its impacts on market players</b></p> <p>Professor Wei Shen Koguan Law School, Shanghai Jiao Tong University</p>  <p>Wei is a KoGuan Distinguished Professor of Law at Shanghai Jiao Tong University Law School. Prior to teaching at the law school, Professor Shen practiced in major US and UK firms in Shanghai, Chicago and Hong Kong for a decade primarily assisting multinational clients in their China-related transactions such as foreign direct investment, private equity, mergers and acquisitions, project finance and commercial arbitration. He is now teaching international investment law, international financial regulation, company law, international economic law and contract law in the law school. Professor Shen's current research interests include international investment law, corporate governance, financial regulation, and international commercial arbitration.</p>
<p>3:37pm (AEDT)</p>	<p><b>What may be driving the need for a CBDC in different parts of the world?</b></p> <p>Mr Lance Blockley Managing Director, The Initiatives Group</p>  <p>Lance is Managing Director of The Initiatives Group, a consulting firm specialising in payments. He has advised issuers, acquirers, third-party processors, technology providers and payment associations in addressing many of the financial sector's most significant issues. He has over 35 years' experience in senior management and consulting in the UK, USA, Asia and Australia. Lance has led the consulting team on a number of industry-wide assignments, including the successful removal of signature (PIN@POS) on card payments in Australia in August 2014, the culmination of two and a half years work across multiple stakeholder groups. Lance holds B.A. and M.A. degrees in Natural Sciences from Cambridge University, England and an M.B.A. from IMD, Switzerland. He</p>

	is a Fellow of both the Australian Institute of Company Directors and the Chartered Management Institute (UK).
3:54pm (AEDT)	<p><b>Commentary</b></p> <p>Mr James Gong Of Counsel, Herbert Smith Freehills LLP</p> <p>James has extensive experience in advising on cross-border mergers and acquisitions, private equity and corporate finance transactions, and general corporate and regulatory issues. He has represented clients in a broad range of industries including technology, media and telecommunications (TMT), electronics, publication, aviation, energy, and manufacturing. James is particularly experienced in advising on TMT issues with a special interest in cybersecurity and data protection and intellectual property issues in China and Asia. He has advised a number of reputable clients on issues and has been frequently quoted on these topics by the media.</p>
4:11pm (AEDT)	<p><b>Q&amp;A</b></p> <p>Moderator: <b>Professor Liyang Hou</b></p>
4:28pm (AEDT)	<p><b>Closing remarks</b></p>