

The future state – a half-day exploring the future of Guernsey as a specialist finance centre

Wednesday 02 October 2019
The Mallard – BPP Guernsey
4 hours' CPD

- Chris Usher, BPP CI
- Antony Mancini, KPMG Channel Islands
- Elaine Gray, Carey Olsen (Guernsey) LLP
- Luke Sayer, Carey Olsen (Guernsey) LLP
- Dominic Wheatley, Guernsey Finance
- Frances Watson, Mourant

Overview

This half-day event brings together leading industry and Government experts to explore the future of Guernsey as a specialist finance centre. Covering a range of topics, including 'Underlying Beneficial Ownership' and 'Economic Substance Testing', this event will update local financial services practitioners on how Guernsey can evolve its business model over the next decade to continue leading the way in the provision of international financial services.

Details

Date: Wednesday 02 October 2019
 Time: 09:00-13:00 (Registration from 08:30)
 Venue: The Mallard – BPP Guernsey
 Cost: £225
 CPD: 4 hours
 Discounts: 20% for GACO & IoD members
 10% for ICA, GCOC & STEP members (Discounts cannot be used in combination)

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08:30–09:00	REGISTRATION & REFRESHMENTS	
09:00–09:15	Chris Usher Global Head of AML & Financial Crime Education at BPP CI	Opening address
09:15–09:45	Antony Mancini Tax Partner at KPMG Channel Islands	Is Guernsey now safe from being Blacklisted?
09:45–10:15	Elaine Gray, Partner at Carey Olsen (Guernsey) LLP Luke Sayer, Senior Associate at Carey Olsen (Guernsey) LLP	Economic Substance – implications for Guernsey
10:15–10:45	Panel discussion	Coming through the eye of the storm – where will Guernsey be in five years?
10:45–11:15	BREAK	
11:15–11:45	Frances Watson Partner at Mourant	Does underlying beneficial ownership represent a threat or an opportunity for Guernsey?
11:45–12:15	Dominic Wheatley Chief Executive Officer of Guernsey Finance	The future of Guernsey as a specialist finance centre
12:15–12:45	Panel discussion	How can Guernsey evolve its business model over the next decade?
12:45–13:00	Chris Usher Global Head of AML & Financial Crime Education at BPP CI	Closing address

Meet the Chair & Speakers.



Chris Usher

Global Head of AML and Financial Crime Education at BPP CI

Chris has over 20 years' experience in international financial services, working both in the UK and offshore, for major financial institutions such as Barclays Wealth and Santander.

Formerly an International Investment Manager he advised both individuals and corporate entities on complex investment scenarios. He now specialises in delivering training in investment management, taxation and regulatory matters in international finance centres around the world.

Chris is a specialist chairman of a number of high-profile events, including conferences such as the Annual Compliance & Economic Crime Symposium and the International Taxation Conference. As an expert in the financial crime risks posed to international offshore financial centres, Chris was invited to speak at the Association of Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialists (ACAMS) conference on the topic of 'Understanding the Criminal Vulnerabilities of Offshore Products and Services'.



Antony Mancini

Tax Partner at KPMG Channel Islands

Tony is a Tax Partner at KPMG in the Channel Islands. Tony has been advising multinational businesses and high net worth individuals on UK, Channel Islands and international tax issues for over 25 years.

Tony has been working in the Channel Islands since 2003, providing a range of tax services to businesses in the international financial services industry, with particular emphasis on the investment management sector. His current client base includes a number of leading European private equity houses, property funds and other alternative investment structures based in the Channel Islands as well as several international banking groups, fiduciary and corporate service providers.

Tony is a member of the BVCA Tax Committee. He is also the current Chair of the Guernsey International Business Association, the representative body for the financial services sector in Guernsey. Tony has been an active member of the industry working party helping Guernsey government on the implementation of the new economic substance rules.



Elaine Gray

Partner at Carey Olsen (Guernsey) LLP

Elaine is head of Carey Olsen's Guernsey dispute resolution and litigation team. She advises local and international clients on commercial and trust litigation, as well as on employment, data protection and intellectual property matters. She is recognised as a leading lawyer in these fields and appears regularly in courts and tribunals at all levels in Guernsey. Elaine qualified as a Scottish solicitor and notary public in 1995, before moving to the Cayman Islands in 2004 where she was admitted as an attorney-at-law. She then qualified as a solicitor in England in 2008 before being admitted as an advocate of the Royal Court of Guernsey in 2009. Elaine is Vice President of the Guernsey Chamber of Commerce, a member of ACTAPS, an associate of the Chartered Institute of Arbiters and a Certified Information Privacy Professional (Europe). She is recognised for her expertise in leading legal publications such as Legal 500 and Chambers. She has been named as a leading lawyer in the Citywealth Leaders Lists each year from 2009 to 2019, as well as being listed in the Private Client Global Elite Directory by Legal Week.



Dominic Wheatley

Chief Executive Officer of Guernsey Finance

Dominic is Chief Executive of Guernsey Finance. His role includes business development and the promotion of Guernsey's finance industry in the island's target markets including Europe, the US and the emerging markets, and liaison with industry associations and government, both in Guernsey and further afield. Previously Chief Marketing Officer of the Willis Global Captive Practice and Managing Director of its Guernsey business, Dominic has more than 25 years of finance experience in London and, for the past 20 years, in Guernsey. Dominic is a member of the Institute of Directors and serves as a non-executive director on a number of local boards. He is a fellow of the Chartered Insurance Institute and holds an MBA from Warwick University.



Luke Sayer

Senior Associate at
Carey Olsen (Guernsey) LLP

Luke works in the dispute resolution and litigation team at Carey Olsen and specialises in commercial litigation and regulatory matters. Luke read Philosophy at the University of Nottingham before completing his Graduate Diploma in Law and his LPC at The College of Law, London. Luke is a Certified International Privacy Professional (CIPP/E) and a member of the International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP). Luke has experience in acting for both international and local clients in relation to complex and high value commercial disputes and has presented at seminars on regulatory matters as well as authored articles in worldwide and local publications on blockchain technology, initial coin offerings (ICOs) and data protection. Luke has provided corporate advisory work on the formation and regulation of venture capital funds specifically focused on blockchain technology and cryptocurrencies. Luke is appointed as a non-executive director of an eGaming business and frequently provides advice on matters such as cloud platform services, digital currencies and payment solutions. In fact, Luke advised and liaised with the regulatory authority on Alderney's first eGaming platform offering a cryptocurrency wagering mechanism.



Frances Watson

Partner at Mourant

Frances is a Partner and Guernsey Advocate in the Finance and Corporate team in Mourant's Guernsey office.

With over 20 years' experience, her practice covers a wide variety of corporate and commercial matters, finance, investment funds, insurance, listings, regulatory advice and restructurings.

Prior to moving to Guernsey in 2005, Frances spent seven years working with Allen & Overy, advising on a wide variety of corporate and corporate finance matters. Frances joined Mourant in early 2017.

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