

# Funds & Investment Management

## Asia | Legal Services

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With 30 years' on-the-ground experience in Asia, the Maples Group remains committed to providing clients with expert advice and world-class service in setting up, managing and investing across a broad range of fund structures and management entities under the BVI, Cayman Islands and Irish laws.

With offices in key jurisdictions around the world, the Maples Group has specific strengths in areas of corporate, commercial, finance, investment funds, litigation and trusts. Maintaining relationships with leading legal counsel, the Group leverages this local expertise to deliver an integrated service offering for global business initiatives. Our global network of over 2,800 lawyers and industry professionals are strategically located in key financial centres across the Americas, Asia, Europe and the Middle East to ensure that clients gain immediate access to expert advice and bespoke support, within convenient time zones.

The Maples Group has had a presence in Hong Kong since 1995. Our Singapore office was established in 2012. We offer legal, fund administration and fiduciary services to clients based in or doing business across the Asia Pacific region.

### Experience and Depth of Resources

We have the largest Cayman Islands, British Virgin Islands and Irish practising Funds & Investment Management team in Asia with a unique offering of more than 15 native Cantonese, Mandarin and Korean speaking lawyers. We provide expert advice and world-class service in setting up, managing and investing across a broad range of fund structures and management entities under the Cayman Islands, BVI and Irish laws.



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- Offshore - Asia Pacific

#### IFLR1000:

- Financial and Corporate: Offshore
- Investment Funds: Offshore

#### The Legal 500:

- Offshore - Hong Kong
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## Full Spectrum of Products

### Hedge Funds

We work with you to establish hedge funds as companies, limited partnerships or, particularly for the Japanese market, unit trusts. We advise on legal structure and other formation issues including:

- Multi-class / series funds
- Master / feeder funds
- Side pockets

We also advise clients who utilise wide variety of investment strategies including traditional market neutral funds and other sector specific objectives such as:

- Derivatives and futures
- Event driven
- Fixed income
- Convertibles
- Funds of funds

### Private Equity and Venture Capital

We have been a leading adviser in the closed-ended funds space including the private equity and venture capital industry for many years with extensive experience in the formation, structuring and financing of such funds. In addition, we advise on all types of upstream and downstream transactions from carry vehicles to growth and venture investing,

management and leveraged buyouts, take privates and exits by way of trade sale, GP or LP led secondaries or IPO. We are uniquely placed to facilitate downstream fund investments, providing specialised fiduciary and administration services to closed-ended funds and their managers from key global financial centres.

### Distressed Funds

Our Dispute Resolution & Insolvency and Funds & Investment Management lawyers work collaboratively to:

- Advise funds and their directors on winding down or restructuring funds' affairs
- Act for funds and service providers on NAV mispricing cases, audit negligence disputes, and claims against directors
- Advise on disputes between funds and investors on subscription terms and the interpretation of side letters
- Act for leverage providers and counter-parties to distressed funds
- Assist creditors, investors, liquidators, and service providers in contentious liquidations and parallel foreign bankruptcy and regulatory proceedings.

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