

Asia Insurance M&A Conference

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Theme: "Developing a
Blueprint for Asia as
The Next Insurance M&A Hub"



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The past decade has seen global M&A deals come and go in the international arena. The COVID-19 pandemic, however, created mixed investor sentiment due to the uncertainties that came with it, but also a shift in focus to Asia, which became the hotbed for M&A interest. In 2022, Asia not only saw the highest percentage increase year-on-year in deals, but it was also the only region that did not experience a dip in the second half, something the other markets experienced.

It remains to be seen what the rest of 2023 and 2024 will bring in terms of deal-making. But the sentiment for Asia seems promising, especially with the opening of China's borders post-pandemic, which will bolster confidence further in the region.

The two most powerful 2023 M&A drivers are inflation and interest rates, according to professional services company Deloitte. However, whilst global inflation seems to have peaked and core inflation eased somewhat, according to the IMF, inflation remains above central banks' targets in several countries. It forecasts global economic growth at around 3% over the medium term. What is noteworthy is that emerging and developing Asia is expected to grow strongly at 5.3% this year.

Whether it be a strategy for market domination, product diversification, competitive war, building scale, sustaining growth, or enhancing a company's presence in an attractive market, embarking on an M&A requires commitment, clear objectives, and sturdy leadership.

Not to mention the buy-in from both internal and external stakeholders, where at times, the pushback from the potentially acquired target can create a long offensive and defensive tug of war.

The Insurance M&A Asia Conference hosted by *Asia Insurance Review* aims to showcase Asia's potential as an M&A hotbed, as well as the impact of inflation, interest rates, and macroeconomic growth on M&A activity in the region. With the theme "**Developing a Blueprint for Asia as The Next Insurance M&A Hub**", the conference will look at M&A trends in the region and how the regulatory landscape can help promote Asia's strength amidst economic and geopolitical challenges.

- What is an effective play, in terms of considering an acquisition or merger in Asia's vibrant insurance marketplace?
- What drives a successful M&A transaction, and how can the industry implement an effective blueprint strategy?
- What insurance markets in the region have the biggest M&A opportunities?
- What are the pitfalls to look out for?

The general economists forecast that insurance M&As will start to recover by the end of 2023 or 2024.

Be at this conference to capitalize on the thriving opportunities, whether you are considering an M&A strategy, in the midst of one, or want to be prepared and be aware of what the future holds!

Who Should Attend

- CEOs, CFOs, and Senior Strategic Managers from Insurance and Reinsurance Companies Involved in the Future Direction of Their Company
- Reinsurance and Insurance Brokers
- Regulators
- Lawyers
- Investment Bankers, Accountants, and Specialists from Mergers and Acquisitions Businesses
- Private Equity Investors and Venture Capitalists
- Management Consultants and M&A Advisors
- Technology Firms

Day One

Monday, 27 November 2023

8.00 am **Registration & Coffee**

9.00 am



Welcome Address by Conference Chairman

Jonathan Tow
Partner, Huntington Partners LLP

9.15 am



Opening Address - 2024 Insurance M&A Outlook: The Future of Insurance M&A in Asia

Gerard Louis Pennefather
Managing Partner, Huntington Partners LLP

9.45 am



Shaping the Future: A Pragmatic Approach to Insurance M&A in Asia

John Spence
Managing Director, Asian Capital Advisors

10.15 am **Q&A followed by Tea- break & Networking**

10.45 am



The Secret to A Good Partnership/Deal: Winning Strategies in the M&A Game

Vincent Ng
Executive Director Chief Strategic Development Officer, Sampo Holdings Asia

11.15 am



Markets in the Region with The Biggest M&A Potential

Jibu Philip
Head of ELEVATE™ & Deal Strategy, KPMG Singapore

11.45 am



Stages of An Insurance M&A Process: A Step-By-Step Look at A Typical Insurance M&A

Dixon Wong
Financial Director, Tune Protect Thailand

12.15 pm **Q&A**

12.30 pm **Lunch Hosted by Huntington Partners LLP**

Afternoon Panel Sessions:

2.00 pm **The Latest Due Diligence Issues in M&A: Where Are the Red Flags?**

Moderator



Anthony (Tony) Hobrow
Chairman, NexAssure Group

Panellists



Samata Masagee
Partner, DLA Piper (Thailand) Limited



Jibu Philip
Head of ELEVATE™ & Deal Strategy, KPMG Singapore



Ngai Kay Cheung
Partner, Huntington Partners LLP

3.00 pm **An Analysis of Insurance M&A Deals in Asia in The Last 12 Months**

Moderator



Xavier Miet
Director, Huntington Partners LLP



Panellists

Alex Kimura

Partner, McKinsey & Company Singapore



Nicolas Faquet

Founder & CEO, Roojai Group



Peera Rayamas

Managing Director, The Quant Group

3.45 pm **Tea break & Networking**

4.00 pm **Closing**

Day Two

28 November 2023 Tuesday

8.30 am **Registration & Coffee**

9.30 am



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9.45 am



The Role of Technology in M&A: Marrying the Digital Strategy of Different Entities

Dr Chatchai Thnarudee

Board of Directors, Jaymart Insurance Public Company Limited, and Board Member, Center of InsurTech, Thailand by Office of Insurance Commission.

10.15 am



**The Growth of Representations and Warranty Insurance in M&A:
Lessons for Asia**

William Seccombe

Head of Financial Lines Asia, Miller Insurance Services Singapore

10.45 am

Q&A

10.55 am

Tea-break & Networking

11.25 am



Strategic Use of Reinsurance in the M&A Process

Sylvia Pleskot

Head Business Development APAC, Swiss Re

11.55 am



**Developing a Strategic Blueprint for Insurers/Reinsurers in M&As:
A Roadmap for Execution**

Bernhard Kotanko

Senior Partner, McKinsey & Company

12.25 pm

Q&A

12.35 pm

Lunch

2.00 pm

What Happens When an M&A Deal Goes Sour?

Moderator

John Spence

Managing Director, Asian Capital Advisors



Panellists

Vincent Ng

Executive Director Chief Strategic Development Officer, Sampo Holdings Asia





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4.00 pm **End of Conference**

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