

WORKSHOP: AN INTRODUCTION TO REAL ESTATE JOINT VENTURES

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An introduction to real estate joint ventures

BLP is pleased to introduce Hazel Shakur Quin and Greg Nixon, who together, will explore the key corporate and real estate issues commonly seen on property-related joint ventures in the UAE. In their presentation, "An Introduction to Real Estate Joint Ventures", Hazel and Greg will discuss:

- Commonly used real estate joint venture structures in the UAE
- Key commercial considerations
- Key terms of joint venture agreements and common pitfalls
- An overview of management agreements associated with real estate joint ventures

Hazel and Greg bring a combined experience of nearly 20 years' practice in the UAE.

Hazel is a Legal Director in BLP's renowned Real Estate practice. She has advised developers, landlords, hotel operators/ owners, investors and financiers in relation to a broad spectrum of high value real estate investments and flagship development projects in the Middle East. Prior to moving to the UAE in 2009, Hazel was based in London where she advised blue chip companies on investments and developments in the UK.

Greg has been practicing in the UAE for more than ten years and brings an impressive range of corporate experience across a broad range of sectors, including real estate, principally representing clients based in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region. Prior to joining BLP, Greg was general counsel at a multi-national family office, a role which included advising in relation to a significant real estate portfolio, including development joint ventures, often in distressed circumstances.

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