

US Property Seminar & Conference

May 26 seminar for individual investors | Text : E. Williams | Photo : Trump SOHO New York City, W Hollywood Los Angeles |

It is no secret that the United States has become a favorite location for Hong Kong and other international property investors. US investment by Hong Kong and Chinese buyers doubled in 2010 and is on track to double again in 2011. The ONEILL Group Hong Kong is hosting a US Property seminar on May 26th with an assembly of property experts from the US and Hong Kong to discuss issues including taxation, immigration, finance and market trends.


The seminar is designed for individual property investors seeking information about American markets. "This event is an opportunity to gather the information that every investor is interested in: tax structures, financing options and investment yields," says Consulina Wong, Director of Asia for the ONEILL Group Hong Kong. The firm specialises in assisting Asian investors in US properties. The seminar will also explore the current market conditions across the US, New York, California and Las Vegas.

Presenting the financing options at the seminar is Lawrence Siu of Lloyds TSB Bank. Siu will discuss the various financing programmes available for international and multi-currency transactions. Current programmes include

financing secured by US assets or non-US assets.

Hong Kong based US-CPA will discuss US tax issues for international owners, such as mitigation strategies, rental income, depreciation and capital gains. Current tax rules provide international investors most of the same advantages provided to US residents.

The seminar is being organised by the ONEILL Group Hong Kong to accommodate

the surge in US transactions out of Hong Kong. According to CEO Patrick O'Neill, the increase in US investment is based on the simple premise of buying low and selling high. "International investors are extremely savvy and look for depressed markets to place capital. While Hong Kong and Shanghai are up over 40 percent since 2009, New York City is off 25 percent and Los Angeles is down 45 percent. In harder hit markets like Las Vegas and Florida discounts of 70 percent are still available. It's an easy choice." 



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