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ABSTRACT

In the wake of the global financial crisis, US President Barack Obama recently signed into law a package of financial regulatory reforms unparalleled in scope and depth since the 1930s. The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act is intended to restructure significantly the regulatory framework for the US financial system, with broad and deep implications for the financial services industry where the crisis started. However, its impact will be felt well beyond the US financial sector. It will affect the US operations of foreign companies as well as global transactions involving US-based businesses, assets, and financial instruments. What is more, the European Union appears to be following a similar path, and several Asian countries may adopt some aspects of the new US model.

BIOGRAPHY OF SPEAKER

Dr. Heath Tarbert, of the international law firm of Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, is recognized for his transactional and regulatory expertise related to US and foreign financial institutions and to derivatives and other complex financial products. He recently served as Special Counsel to the US Senate Banking Committee, where he was a lead expert and negotiator on the various legislative proposals that culminated in the sweeping Dodd-Frank Act. He previously served as Associate Counsel to the President of the United States. During his tenure at The White House, Dr. Tarbert was responsible for legal issues relating to the financial markets and was designated counsel to the President's National Economic Council and the Council of Economic Advisers. Earlier in his career, he was a law clerk at the Supreme Court of the United States.

Dr. Tarbert obtained his JD and SJD from the University of Pennsylvania law School, and his DPhil from the Faculty of Law of Oxford University. He is a member of the Bars of England & Wales (Solicitor), the State of New York, and the District of Columbia.

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