

## Continuing Professional Development Scheme

### Advisory

#### Group 1 Lawyers now able to obtain CPD Points for speaking: CPD-2019-5

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For CPD Year 2020, Group 1 Lawyers (i.e., advocates and solicitors with up to 5 years' standing) will be able to obtain CPD points for speaking, teaching or participating in a panel discussion in any conference, lecture, seminar or workshop that satisfies the requirements under rules 3(3) and 3(4A) of the Legal Profession (Continuing Professional Development) Rules 2012 ('CPD Rules').

2. Group 1 Lawyers may obtain 1 CPD point for each 20-minute block for which they speak, excluding breaks for refreshments. They will obtain public CPD points for speaking at accredited CPD activities and private CPD points for speaking at non-accredited CPD activities which satisfy the requirements under rules 3(3) and 3(4A).

3. Rules 3(1)(g) and 3(1)(h) of the CPD Rules, and paragraphs 11, 21, 22(b)(vii) and 23(d) of the Guidelines on the Continuing Professional Development Scheme 2017 apply, with the necessary changes, to Group 1 Lawyers who wish to obtain CPD Points for speaking, teaching or participating in a panel discussion in a conference, lecture, seminar or workshop.

4. Advocates and solicitors of 5 or more years' standing and foreign lawyers registered under section 36B of the Legal Profession Act are already able to obtain CPD points for speaking under rules 3(1)(g) and 3(1)(h) of the CPD Rules.

*This advisory will take effect from the 'Effective Date'.*

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