

# Webcast: FCPA Trends in the Emerging Markets

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As many countries continue to loosen COVID-19 related restrictions, lawmakers and regulators around the world face corruption challenges accompanying renewed economic activity and aggressive market expansion, while starting to address the unique bribery and corruption cases that arose during a near-global shutdown that was accompanied by record levels of government spending. This webcast will explore the approach taken by emerging markets in addressing these challenges and examine the trends seen in FCPA and local anti-corruption enforcement actions.

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