

# Forum Series 2007

**Players and pundits have created a frenzied interest in Private Equity activity, but is it just a reflection of a strong economy, or is it driving structural change that will shape future developments in the market?**

While viewed as a familiar form of capital investment in global markets, the surge in private equity in the Australian market over the past 12 months has been the cause of great speculation and interest.

But one thing is for certain, the intricacies and interdependencies of private equity puts great emphasis on enterprise risk assessment from all perspectives; credit, operational, market and compliance.

To give members an understanding of private equity and the key risk considerations from the viewpoint of equity and debt providers, and the professional advisers, the RMA has put together panels of expert practitioners to examine:

- PE in light of more traditional public equity and debt structures
- The role of due diligence and the key risk aspects
- The effect of current PE activity on financial markets
- The impact of a market downturn on PE funds & their debt providers
- The future of PE in Australia

The Q&A session following these presentations will provide members with the opportunity to explore the private equity phenomenon with panellists, and gain insights from senior risk management professionals.

∞ Exclusive and complimentary to RMA members ∞

New members are welcome to join online for \$40 (*conditions apply*) at [www.rmaaustralia.org](http://www.rmaaustralia.org)

The Risk Management Association (*rma*) is the premier Association for Risk Management professionals. Well established in the US, the *rma* Australia was incorporated in 2004 to represent members at a national level. Institutional members include all major Australian Banks, professional service firms, regulatory bodies and there are currently over 1000 individuals in our membership database.

#### Objectives

- To provide a forum for members to enhance and share their knowledge of risk management principles and practices.
- To foster continuous professional growth and development of our members.
- To improve and support risk management education and training.
- To keep our members aware of emerging developments in global risk management practices.
- To promote ethical standards and professional conduct in the Australian financial services industry.

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## Private Equity - *Assessing the Risks*

4:00 - 6:00 pm

**SYDNEY: Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May**

CBA, Lightwell Theatre, Lvl 9, 120 Pitt Street

Guest Panellists:

Peter Dunne, *Partner*  
**Freehills**

Tom Murphy, *Private Wealth Management*  
**Deutsche Bank**

Aidan Allen, *Advisory and Capital Markets*  
**UBS**

**MELBOURNE: Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**

RACV Club, Lvl 2, 501 Bourke Street

Guest Panellists:

Kon Mellos, *Partner*  
**Freehills**

Robin Bishop, *Executive Director, Investment Banking*  
**Macquarie Bank**

Ian Greer, *Managing Director, Corporate & Govt services*  
**Standard & Poor's**

Complimentary Member Only events

*Registration Essential*

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RSVP By: 30<sup>th</sup> April