

# **The Virtual Currency Movement: Disruptive Potential and Regulatory Responses in Hong Kong, China, and the Asia-Pacific Region**

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The use of virtual currencies is increasing rapidly, presenting a number of potentially disruptive effects. This research focuses on the ensuing legal implications and highlights how regulators are responding to the rise of virtual currencies, with a particular focus on China, Hong Kong and countries in the Asia-Pacific region. Although the research finds that there is an increasing trend among jurisdictions to regulate – it highlights some ways in which the regulatory responses to date lack consistency.

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