

Board of directors

YUEN Tin Fan Francis

Mr Yuen, aged 52, is Chairman of the Company and Deputy Chairman of the Pacific Century Group. He is also a Deputy Chairman of PCCW Limited.

He joined the Pacific Century Group in 1996 after an extensive career in investment banking and financial regulatory affairs across Asia. From 1988 to 1991, he was Chief Executive of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

Mr Yuen was also a founding Director of Hong Kong Securities Clearing Company Limited. From 1992 to 1994, he served as a member of the International Markets Advisory Board of the US-based NASDAQ, the second largest stock market in the world.

Mr Yuen holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Economics from the University of Chicago, for which he is currently a member of the Board of Trustees.

CHAN Ping Kan Raymond

Mr Chan, aged 55, is Managing Director of the Company. Prior to joining the Group in March 2003, Mr Chan was General Manager of Manulife-Sinochem Life Insurance Co Limited, headquartered in Shanghai.

Before joining Manulife, he held senior positions at National Mutual (currently known as AXA) and AIA. Mr Chan's extensive experience covers underwriting and claims, marketing, product development, finance, systems and procedures, human resources, agency management and general management.

He is a Fellow of the Life Management Institute and has 30 years' experience in the insurance industry in the Asia-Pacific region, having worked in Hong Kong, Australia and the PRC.

Mr Chan graduated from Hong Kong Baptist College (currently known as Hong Kong Baptist University), where he majored in Business Administration.

SO Wing Hung Peter

Mr So, aged 52, is an Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer of the Company.

His extensive career in banking and finance has included senior management positions at Hang Seng Bank Limited, Wardley James Capel Limited, Citicorp International Limited and Jinhui Holdings Company Limited.

A management accountant by profession, Mr So is an Associate of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants and the Institute of Financial Services.

CHEUNG Sum Sam

Mr Cheung, aged 40, is an Executive Director and Chief Financial Officer of the Company. Prior to joining the Group in January 2002, Mr Cheung was Director, Mergers & Acquisitions at PCCW Limited, which he joined in April 2000.

His extensive experience in investment banking has included positions at Credit Suisse First Boston, BZW and Deutsche Morgan Grenfell.

Mr Cheung graduated from London School of Economics and Political Science, University of London, with a Bachelor of Science Degree.

He is a Fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants in the UK and the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

ALLEN Peter Anthony

Mr Allen, aged 49, is an Executive Director of the Company and an Executive Director and Chief Financial Officer of Pacific Century Regional Developments Limited and the Pacific Century Group. He is also an Executive Director and Head of Human Resources of PCCW Limited and Chief Executive Officer and Representative Director of Jaleco Ltd.

Mr Allen joined KPMG Peat Marwick in 1976 before moving to Occidental Petroleum Corporation in 1980. In 1983, he joined Schlumberger Limited and held key management positions in a number of countries.

In 1989, Mr Allen moved to Singapore as Regional Financial Director of the Vestey Group. He later joined Bousteadco Singapore Limited as the Group Operations Controller in 1992, after which he moved to Morgan Grenfell Investment Management (Asia) Limited to become a Director and Chief Operating Officer in 1995. Mr Allen joined the Pacific Century Group in 1997.

Educated in England, Mr Allen holds a degree in Economics from Sussex University. He is a Fellow of both the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales and the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Singapore.

ARENA Alexander Anthony

Mr Arena, aged 53, is an Executive Director of the Company and a Director of Pacific Century Regional Developments Limited. He is an Executive Director, Executive Committee Deputy Chairman and Group Chief Financial Officer of PCCW Limited and an Executive Director and Executive Committee member of Pacific Century Premium Developments Limited.

Prior to joining the Pacific Century Group in 1998, Mr Arena was Special Policy Adviser to the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region from 1997 to 1998. From 1993 to 1997, he was Director-General of Telecommunications in the Office of the Telecommunications Authority of Hong Kong and was a member of the Broadcasting Authority.

Before his appointment as Director-General, Mr Arena had been recruited to plan a reform program for the liberalisation of Hong Kong's telecommunications market. Before that, he was an inaugural member of the Australian Telecommunications Authority, which he served for four years.

Mr Arena has led an extensive career in public administration, specialising in high technology and infrastructure industries, the commercialisation of government-owned business enterprises and deregulation in the aviation, transport, telecommunications and postal industries.

Mr Arena graduated from the University of New South Wales in Australia with a Bachelor's Degree in Electrical Engineering, and completed a MBA Degree at Melbourne University. He is a Fellow of the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers.

CHUNG Cho Yee Mico

Mr Chung, aged 44, is an Executive Director of the Company and an Executive Director of PCCW Limited.

He joined the Pacific Century Group in March 1999 and is an Executive Director responsible for the Pacific Century Group's merger-and-acquisition activities.

Mr Chung worked for two years in the commercial department of a law firm in Hong Kong after qualifying as a solicitor in Hong Kong in 1986.

In 1988, Mr Chung joined the corporate finance department of Standard Chartered Asia Limited, which was the investment banking arm of Standard Chartered Bank. He then became a Director and General Manager of Bond Corporation International Ltd in 1990 before joining China Strategic Holdings Limited in January 1992.

A solicitor by profession, Mr Chung graduated with a law degree from the University College, University of London in the UK in 1983.

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YANG Chao

Mr Yang, aged 55, is an Executive Director of the Company. He is Chairman and President of China Insurance (Holdings) Company Limited and China Insurance H.K. (Holdings) Company Limited, and is Chairman of China Insurance International Holdings Company Limited.

Mr Yang has more than 20 years' experience in banking and insurance. From 1976 to 1979, he worked at the Shanghai Branch of Bank of China, and in 1980 joined The People's Insurance Company of China (PICC). He later became a Director of the Group and General Manager of its Business Department.

Mr Yang is also an Executive Director of CITIC International Financial Holdings Limited and was appointed Independent Non-Executive Director of The Tokio Marine & Fire Insurance Company (HK) Limited in 2004.

ZHENG Chang Yong

Mr Zheng, aged 40, is an Executive Director of the Company and has more than 15 years' experience in accounting and insurance.

A Director and Financial Controller of China Insurance Group, Mr Zheng also serves as Director of various members of China Insurance Group, such as China Insurance International Holdings Company Limited and The Ming An Insurance Company (Hong Kong), Limited. In addition, he is an Independent Non-Executive Director of China Life Insurance (Overseas) Company Limited.

Mr Zheng joined The People's Insurance Company of China in 1989 before moving to China Insurance Group in 1997.

He graduated from the University of Industry and Commerce of Beijing with a Master's Degree in Economics.

Mr Zheng is a member of the Chinese Institute of Certified Public Accountants (CICPA).

WANG Xianzhang

Mr Wang, aged 62, is a Non-Executive Director of the Company. He has more than 30 years' experience in banking and insurance and is President of the Insurance Association of China and Vice President of the Insurance Institute of China.

He currently serves as President of China Life Insurance Company, a position he has held since 2000. Mr Wang is also Chairman of the Board and President of China Life Insurance Company Limited.

Mr Wang was Vice Chairman and Vice President of The People's Insurance Company of China and Vice Chairman and President of China Insurance H.K. (Holdings) Company Limited.

As well as serving as Chairman of The Ming An Insurance Company (Hong Kong), Limited and China Reinsurance Company (Hong Kong) Limited, Mr Wang was a Director of CITIC Ka Wah Bank Limited, Beijing Enterprises Holdings Limited and several other companies in Hong Kong.

He graduated from Liaoning Finance & Economic Institute (now known as Northeast Finance & Economic University) in 1965.

CHANG Hsin Kang GBS, JP

Professor Chang, aged 64, is an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company. He is also an Independent Non-Executive Director of PCCW Limited.

Professor Chang has been President and University Professor of City University of Hong Kong since 1996.

Prior to joining City University, he was Dean of the School of Engineering at the University of Pittsburgh in the US from 1994 to 1996, founding Dean of the School of Engineering at Hong Kong University of Science and Technology from 1990 to 1994 and Chairperson of the Department of Biomedical Engineering at the University of Southern California from 1985 to 1990.

He has taught at several major universities in North America and has served in a number of science and technology organisations and public advisory bodies in both the US and Hong Kong.

Professor Chang received his BSc in Civil Engineering from National Taiwan University, a MS in Structural Engineering from Stanford University and a PhD in Biomedical Engineering from Northwestern University.

Professor Chang is a foreign member of the Royal Academy of Engineering of the UK, and Chevalier dans L'Ordre National de la Légion d'Honneur of France. He was appointed Justice of the Peace in July 1999 and was awarded the Gold Bauhinia Star by the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region in July 2002.

FRESHWATER Tim

Mr Freshwater, aged 60, is an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company. He is a solicitor in the UK and Hong Kong and has served as President of the Law Society of Hong Kong.

In 1967, Mr Freshwater joined the international law firm of Slaughter and May, which he served for 29 years before joining Jardine Fleming in 1996.

He was appointed Deputy Chairman of the Jardine Fleming Group in 1996 and became Chairman of Jardine Fleming in 1999. In 2001, he joined Goldman Sachs as Chairman, Corporate Finance, Asia, and is now Vice Chairman of Goldman Sachs Asia. He is also a director of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited and Liu Chong Hing Bank Limited.

Mr Freshwater graduated at Cambridge University in the UK.

WONG Yue Chim Richard SBS, JP

Professor Wong, aged 52, is an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company.

Professor Wong is Deputy Vice-Chancellor of The University of Hong Kong. He has been active in advancing economic research on policy issues in Hong Kong and the PRC through his work as a founding Director of the Hong Kong Center for Economic Research since 1987 and the Hong Kong Institute of Economics and Business Strategy since 1999.

He was awarded the Silver Bauhinia Star in 1999 by the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region for his contributions to education, housing, industry and technology development. Professor Wong was appointed Justice of the Peace in July 2000.

Professor Wong graduated at the University of Chicago with Bachelor's and Master's Degrees, as well as a Doctorate in Economics.