

Board and Executive Directorate



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Commissioner for Transport
(Alan Wong Chi-kong)



Secretary for the Environment,
Transport and Works
(Dr. Sarah Liao Sau-tung)



Frederick Ma Si-hang

Members of the Board

Dr. Raymond Ch'ien Kuo-fung 54, was appointed Non-Executive Chairman in July 2003. He has been a member of the Board since 1998. Dr. Ch'ien is chairman of CDC Corporation (formerly known as chinadotcom Corporation) and its subsidiary, China.com Inc (formerly known as hongkong.com Corporation). He is also non-executive chairman of HSBC Private Equity (Asia) Limited. He serves on the boards of HSBC Holdings plc, The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited, Inchcape plc, Convenience Retail Asia Limited, VTech Holdings Limited and The Wharf (Holdings) Limited. Dr. Ch'ien is chairman of the Advisory Committee on Corruption of the Independent Commission Against Corruption, chairman of the Hong Kong/European Union Business Cooperation Committee, and a Hong Kong member of the APEC Business Advisory Council. In addition, Dr. Ch'ien is the honorary president and past chairman of the Federation of Hong Kong Industries. He was a member of the Executive Council of Hong Kong, then under British Administration, from 1992 to 1997, a member of the Executive Council of the Hong Kong SAR from 1 July 1997 to June 2002. Dr. Ch'ien was appointed Justice of the Peace in 1993. He was made a Commander in the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire in 1994 and awarded the Gold Bauhinia Star medal in 1999. Dr. Ch'ien received a doctoral degree in economics from the University of Pennsylvania in 1978.

Chow Chung-kong 55, was appointed Chief Executive Officer on 1 December 2003. He was formerly chief executive officer of Brambles Industries PLC, a global support services company with dual listings in the United Kingdom and Australia. From 1997 to 2001, Mr. Chow was chief executive of GKN PLC, a leading engineering company based in the United Kingdom and before that, he spent 20 years with the BOC Group PLC and was appointed a director of its board and chief executive of its Gases Division in 1993. Mr. Chow is a chartered engineer. He holds Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees in Chemical Engineering from The University of Wisconsin and The University of California respectively. He also holds a Master of Business Administration degree from The Chinese University of Hong Kong and was a graduate of the Advanced Management Program of Harvard Business School. He was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Engineering degree by The University of Bath. Mr. Chow was knighted in the United Kingdom in 2000 for his contribution to industry. He is currently member of the Council of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the Hong Kong Tourism Board, the Council of The Chinese University of Hong Kong and as the Council's representative to serve on the Board of Trustees of its Shaw College. He is also a member of the general committee of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce, and the Shenzhen Municipal Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference. Mr. Chow is a non-executive director of Standard Chartered PLC and the non-executive chairman of Standard Chartered Bank (Hong Kong) Limited.

Professor Cheung Yau-kai 71, is an independent non-executive Director and has been a member of the Board since 1999. Professor Cheung is Honorary Professor of Engineering and Special Adviser to the Vice-Chancellor of The University of Hong Kong. He was Taikoo Professor of Engineering and Acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor of The University of Hong Kong until 30 June 2000. Professor Cheung began his academic research career at the University College of Swansea, Wales. He was appointed Professor of Civil Engineering at Calgary in 1970 and moved to the University of Adelaide in 1974 as Professor and Chairman of the Department of Civil Engineering. In 1977, he took up the Chair and Headship of the Department of Civil Engineering in The University of Hong Kong. In addition to his academic appointments, Professor Cheung was the former first Senior Vice-President of the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers and the Ex-Chairman of its Accreditation Board. He has been awarded several honorary degrees at educational institutions, including, an honorary Doctor of Science by The University of Hong Kong and an honorary Doctor of Laws by the University of Wales. He has also been elected a member of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, and is a fellow of the Royal Academy of Engineering, a fellow of the Royal Society of Canada and immediate past President of the Hong Kong Academy of Engineering Sciences.

David Gordon Eldon 60, is an independent non-executive Director and has been a member of the Board since 1999. He retired from the HSBC Group on 27 May 2005 after 37 years of service. He was Chairman of The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited from 1 January 1999 to 24 May 2005, non-executive Chairman of Hang Seng Bank Limited from 1 June 1996 to 21 April 2005, and a board member of Swire Pacific Limited until 11 May 2005. Mr. Eldon was the Executive Committee Chairman of The Community Chest of Hong Kong until 17 June 2005 and is currently its Vice Patron. He is senior adviser to PricewaterhouseCoopers (based in Hong Kong), Chairman of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce, a Council member of the Hong Kong Trade Development Council and a Steward of the Hong Kong Jockey Club. Mr. Eldon is a fellow of the Chartered Institute of Bankers and a fellow of the Hong Kong Institute of Bankers. He is a Justice of the Peace.

Christine Fang Meng-sang 47, is an independent non-executive Director and has been a member of the Board since 2004. Ms. Fang has been the chief executive of the Hong Kong Council of Social Service since 2001. Prior to joining the Hong Kong Council of Social Service, she worked for the Hong Kong Red Cross from 1989 to 2001 and held the position of Secretary General from 1993 to 2001. By training, Ms. Fang is a social worker and has a strong background in community service. She sits on various government advisory committees, including the Social Welfare Advisory Committee, the Rehabilitation Advisory Committee (from 1 January 2002 to 31 December 2005), the Manpower Development Committee, the Hong Kong Housing Authority and the Sustainable Development Council. She is also a member of the Commission on Poverty and Commission on Strategic Development (Executive Committee).

Edward Ho Sing-tin 67, is an independent non-executive Director and has been a member of the Board since 1991. He is an architect and the deputy chairman and managing director of Wong Tung & Partners Limited. Mr. Ho was an elected member of the Legislative Council of Hong Kong from 1991 to 2000, representing the architectural, surveying and planning functional constituency. He was president of the Hong Kong Institute of Architects in 1983 and 1984 and was chairman of the Hong Kong Industrial Estates Corporation from 1992 to 2001. Mr. Ho serves on a number of statutory boards and advisory committees including the Board of Hong Kong Hospital Authority. He is also chairman of the General Committee of the Hong Kong Philharmonic Society Ltd. and chairman of the Antiquities Advisory Board.

Lo Chung-hing 54, is an independent non-executive Director and has been a member of the Board since 1995. He is general manager of Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited, after the restructuring of the Bank of China Group in October 2001. Mr. Lo began his banking career in 1969 and he served in several positions within the Bank of China Group before being appointed to his present post. He is a director of the Urban Renewal Authority. Mr. Lo was appointed as a board member of the Provisional Airport Authority in 1994 and served as vice chairman of the Airport Authority from April 1996 to May 1999. He was also a board member of the Hospital Authority from December 1997 to November 2005. Mr. Lo was awarded the Silver Bauhinia Star medal in 1998.

T. Brian Stevenson 61, is an independent non-executive Director and has been a member of the Board since October 2002. He is a non-executive director of The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited, a member of the Asia Pacific Advisory Board of British Telecom, a member of the Public Service Commission and a Steward of the Hong Kong Jockey Club. Mr. Stevenson was previously the Senior Partner of Ernst & Young, Hong Kong from 1981 to 1999. He served on the Council of the Hong Kong Society of Accountants from 1991 to 1997 and was president of the Society in 1996. Mr. Stevenson is a chartered accountant and holds law degrees from Glasgow and Hong Kong Universities.

Commissioner for Transport (Alan Wong Chi-kong 50, joined the Board as a non-executive Director appointed as an “additional director” under section 8 of the MTR Ordinance by virtue of his appointment to the post of the Commissioner for Transport of the Government of the Hong Kong SAR on 18 June 2005. Prior to that, Mr. Wong has served in various bureaux and departments of the Government of the Hong Kong SAR including the Home Affairs Bureau, Civil Service Bureau, the former Urban Services Department, the former City and New Territories Administration, the former Health and Welfare Branch, the former Recreation and Culture Branch, the former Secretariat of the University and Polytechnic Grants Committee, the former Trade and Industry Branch, the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance from August 1996 to January 2000, the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority from January 2000 to June 2001, the former Information Technology Services Department from July 2001 to July 2004, and the Office of the Government Chief Information Officer from July 2004 to January 2005. As Commissioner for Transport, Mr. Wong is also a director of several transport-related companies, including The Kowloon Motor Bus Company (1933) Limited, Long Win Bus Company Limited, New World First Bus Services Limited, New Lantao Bus Company (1973) Limited, Citybus Limited, The Star Ferry Company Limited, The New Hong Kong Tunnel Company Limited, Western Harbour Tunnel Company Limited, Tate’s Cairn Tunnel Company Limited and Route 3 (CPS) Company Limited.)

Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works (Dr. Sarah Liao Sau-tung 54, joined the Board as a non-executive Director appointed as an “additional director” under section 8 of the MTR Ordinance in August 2002 after her appointment as the Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works of the Government of the Hong Kong SAR on 1 July 2002. As Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works, she is also a director of a number of companies including Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation and Route 3 (CPS) Company Limited. Dr. Liao obtained a Doctorate Degree (Environmental/Occupational Health) from The University of Hong Kong. She has also been a fellow of the Royal Society of Chemistry since 1995 and the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers since 1996.)

Frederick Ma Si-hang 54, joined the Board as a non-executive Director on 1 July 2002 upon his appointment as Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury of the Government of the Hong Kong SAR. Before assuming that post, Mr. Ma was Group Chief Financial Officer of PCCW Ltd. and was also an executive director and member of the Executive Committee of that group. Mr. Ma has more than 20 years’ experience in the global financial services industry. He has served in key posts in J.P. Morgan Private Bank, Chase Manhattan Bank, Kumagai Gumi (Hong Kong) Limited and RBC Dominion Securities Limited. Besides serving as board member of Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation and the Airport Authority, Mr. Ma is also a director of Hong Kong International Theme Parks Limited, Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation Limited and Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority. Graduated from The University of Hong Kong in 1973, Mr. Ma holds a Bachelor of Arts degree, majoring in Economics and History.

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Chow Chung-kong Biographical details are set out on page 67.

Russell John Black 59, has been the Project Director of the Company since 1992. He is responsible for the planning and implementation of all major railway extension and projects upgrade, including the Airport Railway project, the Quarry Bay Congestion Relief Works, the Tseung Kwan O Extension project, the Disneyland Resort Line and the Tung Chung Cable Car. He is also responsible for undertaking feasibility studies into possible new extensions to the railway, including the South Island Line and the West Island Line and providing project management expertise to railway projects in Mainland of China. Mr. Black initially worked for the Company from 1976 to 1984 and, prior to rejoining the Company in 1992, he was the project director of London Underground's Jubilee Line Extension project from 1990 to 1992 and, before that, he worked on Singapore's underground railway and on the Eastern Harbour Crossing. Mr. Black also served on the Vocational Training Council from 1998 to 2002 and the Construction Advisory Board from 1993 to 1999. He currently serves on the Provisional Construction Industry Coordination Board. Mr. Black holds an honours degree in civil engineering from the University of Canterbury in New Zealand. He is a Fellow of the Hong Kong Academy of Engineering Sciences, the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers and the Institution of Professional Engineers, New Zealand. He was awarded the Public Service medal (PBM) in Singapore in 1986 and the Bronze Bauhinia Star medal in 1999.

William Chan Fu-keung 57, has been the Human Resources Director since August 1998. He joined the Company as Human Resources Manager in 1989. He is responsible for human resource management, operational and management training, administration and security management. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Chan held senior managerial positions both in the commerce and in the utility sectors in Hong Kong, including the Government, the Hong Kong Productivity Council, Hutchison Whampoa Limited and Hong Kong Telecommunications Limited. He is a fellow member of the Hong Kong Institute of Human Resource Management since 1985 and is also the Vice President of the Institute. He is a Council member of Employers' Federation of Hong Kong, and a member of the Remuneration Committee of the Hong Kong Housing Society, the Labour Advisory Board Committee on Labour Relations, and the Career Development and Advisory Careers Board for a number of universities. Mr. Chan received a Bachelor of Social Science degree from The University of Hong Kong in 1971, majoring in economics.

Front : Chow Chung-kong
From left to right: William Chan Fu-keung, Thomas Ho Hang-kwong, Russell John Black, Francois Lung Ka-kui, Leonard Bryan Turk, Lincoln Leong Kwok-kuen, Andrew McCusker



Thomas Ho Hang-kwong 55, has served as Property Director since joining the Company in 1991. He is responsible for the development and management of all properties above and adjacent to MTR stations and depots. He leads a multi-disciplinary team of managers involved in the planning, design, construction and management of large-scale property developments. Between 1971 and 1990, Mr. Ho worked for the Hong Kong Government specialising in land administration and latterly held a directorate post in the Lands Department, responsible for formulating policies and procedures to make land available for the airport and the Airport Railway project. Mr. Ho was qualified in 1974 as a chartered surveyor in Hong Kong.

Lincoln Leong Kwok-kuen 45, has served as the Finance Director since February 2002. He is responsible for the financial management of all of the Company's affairs, including financial planning and control, budgeting, accounting and reporting and the treasury function. In addition, he has responsibility for the Company's information technology function and serves as chairman of both Octopus Holdings Limited and the board of trustees of the Company's retirement scheme. Mr. Leong graduated from Cambridge University in 1982 and later qualified as a chartered accountant in England in 1985 and Canada in 1986. Prior to joining the Company as Finance Director, he worked in both the accountancy and investment banking industries. Mr. Leong has also worked as an accountant in London and Vancouver, Canada and for a number of years as an investment banker in Hong Kong. Mr. Leong is the chairman of the executive committee of the Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children, a member of the executive committee of Housing Society and a board member of the Community Chest. He also serves on the Board of Governor of the Chinese International School and is a trustee of the Hospital Authority Pension Fund Scheme.

Mr. Leong is also a non-executive director of both Hong Kong Aircraft Engineering Company Limited and Tai Ping Carpets International Limited.

Francois Lung Ka-kui 47, was appointed as the China & International Business Director on 26 September 2005. He heads the Company's growth-business efforts, including investments in Mainland of China, operating franchises in Europe and international consultancy. Dr. Lung has held various positions in a number of Royal Dutch Shell affiliates since 1997 and joined the Company from Shell Eastern Petroleum (Pte) Ltd. He was the General Manager, China, with responsibility for strategy development, governance and business performance of Shell's gas and power business in China. From 1994 to 1997, he held positions at Duke Energy Asia Limited, an affiliate of Duke Energy International, becoming Vice-President in 1996. Prior to this, Dr. Lung spent approximately five years at PowerGen plc, a major generator, distributor and retailer of electricity in the United Kingdom, and three years at the Central Electricity Generating Board before the privatisation of the electricity industry in the United Kingdom. Dr. Lung holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Hong Kong, a PhD in Combustion from the University of Leeds in the United Kingdom, a Master of Science degree in Management from the University of Southampton in the United Kingdom and a Bachelor of Law degree from the University of London. Dr. Lung was admitted to the Bar of the United Kingdom in 1992.

Andrew McCusker 60, was appointed as the Acting Operations Director on 1 October 2005 and became Operations Director on 5 December 2005. Mr. McCusker has more than 40 years of experience in the engineering field. He joined the Company as Operations Engineering Manager in 1987, and since then has been posted to other responsible positions, including Operations Engineering Design Manager and Project Manager (Operations). He was appointed Deputy Operations Director in March 2004. Mr. McCusker holds a degree in Mechanical Engineering from the Kensington University in the United States and is a member of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers of the United Kingdom.

Leonard Bryan Turk 56, is a solicitor admitted to practice both in England and Wales and in Hong Kong. He joined the Company in 1981 and has been Legal Director and Secretary to the Board since 1988. Mr. Turk is responsible for legal advice, corporate secretarial services, insurance, procurement and enterprise risk management functions within the Company. In particular, his responsibilities include construction contracts, contract drafting and administration, cost control and dispute resolution. Before joining the Company, Mr. Turk worked in local government in England, concentrating particularly on commercial property development and the financing of large projects.