# Luncheon on Hong Kong-Singapore Partnership Sharing for Development & Opportunities

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Organizers



香港中華絕商會

The Chinese General Chamber of Commerce



Hong Kong Economic & Trade Office Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region



Supporting Organizations







# Program

12:00 – 12:05 Welcome Remarks

Dr. Jonathan Choi

Permanent Honorary President,

Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, Hong Kong

12:05 – 13:05 Networking Luncheon

13:05 – 13:25 Keynote Speech

Mrs. Carrie Lam

Chief Secretary for Administration, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

Q & A

Moderator: Dr. Jonathan Choi

13:25 – 13:45 Keynote Speech

Mr. Teo Ser Luck

Minister of State for Trade and Industry & Mayor for North East District, Republic of Singapore

Q & A

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13:45 – 13:55 Photo Opportunity

14:05 The end

# **Speaker**



Mrs. Carrie Lam, GBS, JP

Chief Secretary for Administration,
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

Mrs. Carrie Lam, 58, joined the Administrative Service of the Hong Kong Government in August 1980, and rose to the rank of Administrative Officer Staff Grade A1 in September 2006. She became a Principal Official on July 1, 2007 when she was appointed Secretary for Development.

During the 27 years as an Administrative Officer, Mrs. Lam has served in various bureaux and departments. She was Director of Social Welfare from August 2000 to October 2003, Permanent Secretary for Housing, Planning and Lands (Planning and Lands) from November 2003 to May 2004, and Director-General of the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office in London from September 2004 to March 2006. She was Permanent Secretary for Home Affairs before assuming the post of Secretary for Development.

Mrs. Lam was appointed Chief Secretary for Administration on July 1, 2012.

### Speaker



Mr. Teo Ser Luck

Minister of State for Trade and Industry & Mayor for
North East District, Republic of Singapore

Mr. Teo Ser Luck graduated with an Accountancy degree from the Nanyang Technological University (NTU) and began his career as an auditor. Throughout his private sector career, he has taken on management positions as head of sales, marketing, business operations before leading companies and assuming positions as Regional Director and Managing Director of different multi-national operations in the Asia Pacific. He has worked in Hong Kong, China, Thailand, India and has helped to start companies. Prior to politics, Mr. Teo was overseeing DHL Express (Singapore) Pte Ltd.

Mr. Teo was elected Member of Parliament for Pasir Ris-Punggol GRC in May 2006 and was appointed as Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of Community Development, Youth and Sports. He was subsequently promoted and concurrently assumed responsibility in the Ministry of Transport and appointed as the Mayor of the North East District, a position he still holds today. After the General Election in 2011, Mr. Teo was promoted and appointed as the Minister of State for Trade and Industry overseeing the Small and Medium Enterprises, consumer protection, entrepreneurship and trade relations with the region, including China.

For his achievements, Mr. Teo was recognised as a young global leader by the World Economic Forum in 2007 for his contribution to the business and community services sectors. He also received the Outstanding Young Alumni Award in the same year and subsequently received the outstanding alumni award from his alma mater (NTU) in 2011 for continuing to make a difference in public service. While in the private sector, he has also received accolades as global outstanding manager in business and operational excellence.

Mr. Teo was instrumental in leading Singapore's successful bid for the inaugural Youth Olympic Games (YOG) that was held from 14 to 26 August 2010. He was also the Advisor to the Singapore 2010 YOG Organising Committee and the Mayor for the Youth Olympic Village.

Mr. Teo is married with two children, a girl and a boy. He actively participates in sports - football, triathlons, marathons and has completed 5 Ironman races.

### **Moderator**



Dr. Jonathan Choi, GBS, BBS, JP

Permanent Honorary President,
Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, Hong Ko

Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, Hong Kong Chairman of Sunwah Group

Dr. Jonathan Choi is Chairman of the Hong Kong based Sun Wah Group, the Toronto-listed Sunwah International Limited and the Hong Kong listed Sun Wah Kingsway Capital Group.

Dr. Choi's dedication and contribution to his home country and the society is evident in the wide range of public positions he holds. These include: Deputy Director of the Committee for Education, Science, Culture, Health and Sports of the National Committee of CPPCC of the PRC, Council Member of the Economic Development Committee of HKSAR, Hong Kong, China's Representative to the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Business Advisory Council (ABAC), Chairman of the Small and Medium Enterprises Committee of HKSAR, Permanent Honorary President of the Hong Kong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, Standing Committee Member of the All-China Federation of Industry and Commerce, Economic Advisor to the President of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, Executive Director of the China Overseas Friendship Association, Chairman of the Hong Kong-Japan Business Co-operation Committee, Chairman of the Hong Kong - Vietnam Chamber of Commerce, Founding Chairman of Hong Kong Korea Business Council, Chairman of the China Hong Kong Israel Technology Cooperation and Promotion Center, Chairman of the US-China Center for Research on Educational Excellence of the Michigan State University.

He was conferred the Honorary Doctor of Humanities by the Michigan State University in U.S.A. He became a University Fellow of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University in 2007. He was conferred the Honorary Professor by the University of Glamorgan in the United Kingdom in 2009, the Honorary Doctor of Social Sciences by the Lingnan University in Hong Kong in 2011, the Honorary Doctor of Vietnam National University in 2013 and the Honorary Doctor of Business Administration of De Montfort University in the United Kingdom in 2014. He was also invited as a Council Vice Chairman of the China Center for Contemporary World Studies, an important Central Government think tank, to facilitate non-official diplomacy. He has also received the World Outstanding Chinese Award by the United World Chinese Association.

Dr. Choi has been awarded the Gold Bauhinia Star (GBS), the Bronze Bauhinia Star (BBS) and Justice of the Peace (JP) by the HKSAR Government for his meritorious public and community service, particularly for his contribution to the education field and the promotion of economic ties between Mainland China and Hong Kong. In 2015, he was conferred 'Friendship Order' by Vietnam Government and Honorary Ambassador of Foreign Investment Promotion for Korea by Korean Consulate General in Hong Kong respectively. He has also received the World Outstanding Chinese Award by the United World Chinese Association and is an Honorary Citizen or Advisor of Guangzhou, Zhongshan, Shenyang, Wuhan, Jinggangshan and Zhangjiajie.

# **Organizer**



The Chinese General Chamber of Commerce

### The Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, Hong Kong

Founded in 1900, the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce (CGCC) is one of the oldest and largest chambers of commerce in Hong Kong. Drawing on its 115-year history, CGCC now endeavors to be an energetic, professional, diversified and internationalized organization that reaches out to the world while having its roots firmly planted in Hong Kong and enjoying the whole-hearted backing of the Mainland China.

CGCC is devoted to promoting the industrial, commercial and social development of Hong Kong. Its present membership of more than 6,000 comprises association, company, individual and affiliate members whose businesses cover a wide spectrum of industrial and commercial activities.

Represented on the Legislative Council, Government departments, and a number of public bodies and business organizations in Hong Kong, CGCC serves as the voice of the local business community. It also maintains close liaison with departments of the HKSAR Government and is often consulted on business-related policies.

CGCC plays an active part in China's ongoing development and reform measures and its steady opening-up to the world. A good number of CGCC members are deputies to the National People's Congress of China and members of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (CPPCC). They offer ideas and suggestions and their contributions are well recognized by national leaders. Meanwhile, CGCC maintains close relations with local governments and business organizations on the Mainland. Activities such as study missions and seminars are often organized to enhance economic interaction between the Mainland and Hong Kong.

As one of the largest business organizations in Hong Kong, CGCC has close ties with consuls, trade commissioners and business associations in Hong Kong, chambers of commerce in various parts of the world, and in particular, overseas Chinese business entities, playing an active role in promoting international investment and trade interactions. In a global context, CGCC strives to build a network among Chinese entrepreneurs worldwide. As one of the three Founder Members of the World Chinese Entrepreneurs Convention (WCEC), CGCC hosted the second WCEC in 1993.

In view of the trend to globalization and the eastward shift of the world's economic power, CGCC is actively exploring the prospects for regional economic cooperation between Hong Kong and East Asia while facilitating Hong Kong's participation in multilateral economic collaboration. In 2012 CGCC staged the Hong Kong Summit, which brought together ministerial-level and principal officials, business leaders and scholars from East Asian countries, Mainland China and Hong Kong to explore the latest economic development of East Asia and discuss Hong Kong's roles in promoting economic cooperation in the region.

Looking ahead, CGCC will continue to move with the times and strengthen its network by fostering closer partnership with business organizations at home and abroad, with a view to promoting Hong Kong as a metropolis characterized by high efficiency and close ties with the global market-place.

# **Organizer**



Hong Kong Economic & Trade Office Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

### **The Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office**

Set up in 1995, the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office is the Representative of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government to the ten member countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN). The Office seeks to enhance mutual understanding and strengthen the bilateral, economic and socio-cultural relations between Hong Kong and the ASEAN countries. It provides information to and support corporations and individuals looking to start or expand their businesses in Hong Kong or in Mainland China via Hong Kong. The Office also establishes and maintains contacts with Hong Kong people living, working and/or studying in ASEAN countries.

The Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office collaborates regularly with two Hong Kong statutory bodies – the Hong Kong Trade Development Council and the Hong Kong Tourism Board to promote Hong Kong as the best location for business and a must-go tourist destination in Asia.

The incumbent Director is Mr. Fong Ngai.

### **Organizer**



### **China Council for the Promotion of International Trade**

Established in May 1952, China Council for the Promotion of International Trade (CCPIT) comprises VIPS, enterprises and organizations representing the economic and trade sectors in China. It is the most important and the largest institution for the promotion of foreign trade in China.

The aims of the CCPIT are to operate and promote foreign trade, to use foreign investment, to introduce advanced foreign technologies, to conduct activities of Sino-foreign economic and technological cooperation in various forms, to promote the development of economic and trade relations between China and other countries and regions around the world, and to promote the mutual understanding and friendship between China and peoples and economic and trade circles of all nations around the world, in line with law and government policies of the People's Republic of China.

With the approval of the Chinese government, the CCPIT started to adopt a separate name – China Chamber of International Commerce (CCOIC)- in 1988, which is used simultaneously with the CCPIT. The CCPIT admits new members from among enterprises in all parts of China and promotes trade through its functions of information consultation, exhibition, legal assistance, etc.

# **Supporting Organization**



### **Hong Kong Trade Development Council**

Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC) was established in 1966. As a statutory body, our mission is to create opportunities for Hong Kong companies, especially small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), by promoting trade in goods and services worldwide. With the help of our global network of more than 40 offices, including 13 on the Chinese mainland, we explore markets for Hong Kong SMEs and connect them with business partners around the world, while offering a variety of business-enabling services. Through a spectrum of activities, HKTDC promotes Hong Kong as Asia's global business platform, reinforcing its reputation as Asia's premier services hub. We also provide a comprehensive array of trade-support seminars and other information channels to enhance Hong Kong SMEs' capabilities. Please visit www.hktdc.com for the latest information about HKTDC and Hong Kong-related opportunities.

HKTDC's offices in more than 40 major centres around the world are your global business eyes, ears and matchmakers. Through this international network, which includes 13 offices on the Chinese mainland, we identify market opportunities, organise promotional activities, cultivate business contacts and offer fresh market intelligence. Our offices are the first port of call for countless overseas and mainland businesses looking for Hong Kong suppliers, buyers or partners.

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# **Supporting Organization**



### **Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce & Industry**

Established in 1906, the Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce & Industry (SCCCI) is an internationally renowned business organisation and the apex body of the Chinese business community in Singapore. It is the founder of the biennial World Chinese Entrepreneurs Convention and the World Chinese Business Network (www.wcbn.com.sg), a global online business information portal. It plays a key and pro-active role in representing the interests of the local business community. In its continued drive for service excellence, the SCCCI has become the first business chamber in the region to be awarded ISO 9001:2000 certification since 1995. In 2009, the Chamber successfully upgraded its ISO certification to ISO 9001:2008.

The SCCCI has a membership network comprising over 4,000 corporate members and over 150 trade association members, representing over 40,000 companies including large financial and business organisations, multinational corporations, government-linked companies, and small and medium enterprises from a wide spectrum of trades and industries. These members together provide vast resources and opportunities which enable the SCCCI to develop an influential global Chinese business network for business, education, culture and community development. In return, they share a strong sense of pride and identity together and benefit immensely from the SCCCI's membership services, facilities and activities.

# **Supporting Organization**



### **Hong Kong Singapore Business Association**

Hong Kong Singapore Business Association is a platform for business networking connections among the business communities between Hong Kong & Singapore. It aims to effectively network all Singapore and Hong Kong companies with mutual interest in the territories and China.

HSBA is a part of an international network of 39 Hong Kong Business Associations in 27 countries - The Federation of Hong Kong Business Associations Worldwide. The Federation has more than 10,000 individual associates.

The secretariat of the Federation is the Hong Kong Trade Development Council.

By being a member of Hong Kong Singapore Business Association, you will automatically become an associate member of the Federation, and entitled to a wide variety of benefits, including:

- Attending the annual Hong Kong Forum, which is the annual flagship event of the Federation attended by more than 400 associates.
- Free access to international trade fairs organized by HK Trade Development Council
- Discounts on the latest articles and reports on market trends, industry outlook, business news and trade regulations
- Discounts on business matching service
- Networking events with members from Singapore and overseas trade associations
- Special discounts on HSBA events
- Special air-ticket prices of Cathay Pacific Airways

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