

WOMEN ON BOARDS WEEK 2012

BREAKFAST PANEL FOR ASPIRING FEMALE DIRECTORS

Friday, March 9, 2012 8.00-9.30AM (Doors open: 7.30AM)
The American Club, 49/F Two Exchange Square, Central

This panel will provide practical advice to senior professional women aspiring to become directors and for those already holding director-level positions seeking further advancement. Our expert panellists will provide insights on the skills and expertise Boards are looking for and practical advice for how successful professional women can better position themselves for Board roles with leading Hong Kong and global corporations including effective networking and other strategies.

PANELLISTS



ROBERT KNIGHT | Regional Practice Managing Partner, CEO & Board Practice, Heidrick & Struggles
Robert is the APAC regional managing partner for the global CEO & Board Practice with Heidrick & Struggles based in Hong Kong. He brings over 25 years of board, CEO and international business leadership experience having worked in the UK, Germany and Asia. Prior to joining Heidrick & Struggles, Robert was chairman and non executive director on four Asian boards with Aviva, Britain's largest insurance group. He spent 20 years with Standard Life Plc as APAC regional manager & CEO of Standard Life (Asia) Ltd.

GENE SHEN | Vice Chairman & Managing Partner, Options Group
Gene Shen has been in the financial services industry for 25 years, initially within the capital markets and multinational corporate finance units of Citicorp, and subsequently as a Managing Director at The Whitney Group, an executive search firm specializing in financial services. Most recently, Gene was both the Head of the Global Financial Services Group and President of AT Kearney Executive Search. Gene's expertise includes investment banking, capital markets, derivative & structured products, private banking, asset management, private equity/venture capital, and securitization. Gene is also responsible for providing strategic consulting and human capital advisory services to the financial services industry from an extensive global platform.



KATHERINE TSANG | Chairperson for Greater China, Standard Chartered Bank
Katherine joined Standard Chartered Bank in 1992 and has held a variety of positions, including senior executive positions and service on the boards of three Standard Chartered Bank subsidiaries. She is currently Chairperson for Greater China, Standard Chartered Bank and plays an important leadership role in driving the Bank's strategic growth in the region. Concurrently, she is Chairperson of the Boards of Standard Chartered Hong Kong, China and Taiwan. Prior to her current appointment, Katherine was Executive Vice Chairman and CEO of Standard Chartered Bank in China. As the first woman and China native at Standard Chartered Bank to be appointed as a regional head of human resources, Katherine brings significant experience in management and international growth to the Board.

CATHERINE ZHU | Consultant, Egon Zehnder International
Catherine is a Principal with Egon Zehnder International's Global Technology & Communications Practice. A native Mandarin speaker, she leads a number of core technology and new media relationships in Asia, in addition to her role as global Head of Innovation for the Practice. Ms. Zhu's 15 year management career encompasses work with Motorola, Nortel Networks, PepsiCo Restaurants International and EDS Electronic Data Systems. She holds an MBA from the Rotman School of Management at the University of Toronto and a BA from Zhejiang University. In her capacity as the Firm's Diversity Champion in Asia, Ms. Zhu has worked closely with global and local clients to improve their abilities to attract, develop, and retain women leaders, both at the management and the board levels.



TO REGISTER

Spaces for this event are limited. To register, please complete the registration fields at https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/WOB_BreakfastPanelRSVP before 5PM Friday, February 17, 2012. Successful applicants will be notified by February 24, 2012. For more information, please contact:

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The Women's Foundation (registered charity number 91/6962) is a non-profit organisation dedicated to improving the lives of women and girls in Hong Kong through groundbreaking research, innovative community programmes, and education and advocacy. The Foundation's key focus areas are combating gender stereotypes, increasing the number of women in decision-making and leadership positions, and empowering women in poverty to achieve a better quality of life for themselves and their families. For more information, please visit our website at <http://www.thewomensfoundationhk.org>.

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