

Hong Kong Association Membership Christmas Lunch

Sir Martin Sorrell, Chief Executive, WPP PLC

Date: Wednesday 16th December 2015

Venue: Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park, 66 Knightsbridge, London SW1X 7LA

Time: 12.30pm Drinks, 1.00pm Lunch



The Guest of Honour at this Christmas lunch will be Sir Martin Sorrell. Sir Martin Sorrell is the entrepreneurial founder and CEO of WPP, the world's largest marketing communications group. He is one of the most respected global industry leaders whose views on business and the world economy, including China, are widely sought. A FTSE 100 company, WPP has a market capitalisation of around £19 billion. He is currently chairman of International Business Leaders' Advisory Council (IBLAC) Shanghai.

He will speak for 10-15 minutes and there will then be a chance for off the record discussion and questions. Member companies are particularly encouraged to bring tables of 10.

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The Hon C Y Leung

Chief Executive, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

Date: Friday 16th October 2015

Venue: Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park, 66 Knightsbridge, London, SW1X 7LA

Time: 12.30pm Drinks, 1.00pm Lunch



The Chief Executive will be the Guest of Honour at the Hong Kong Association's Membership Lunch on 16th October.

Mr C Y Leung has, in the past, been Chairman of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors Hong Kong, President of the Institute of Surveyors in Hong Kong and Asia Pacific Chairman of DTZ.

Between 1984 and 1997, Mr Leung played an instrumental role in the preparatory work for the establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region. In 1988, he was elected the Secretary-General of the Hong Kong Basic Law Consultative Committee.

He was a member of the Executive Council of Hong Kong between 1997 and 2011 and was the Convenor of the non-official members between 1999 and 2011.

This is his first official visit to UK since he became Chief Executive in July 2012. He will share his insights into how Hong Kong capitalizes on its combined advantages of "One Country" and "Two Systems" to serve as the "super-connector" between Chinese Mainland and the rest of the world. The all-in cost of this event will be £75 per head for members; this will include the pre-lunch reception and a 2 course lunch with wine. No tickets will be issued. Dress will be lounge suits.

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Caroline Wilson, HM Consul General in Hong Kong

Date: Monday 6th July 2015

Venue: Cavalry and Guards Club, 127 Piccadilly, London, W1J 7PX

Time: 12.30pm Drinks, 1.00pm Lunch



Caroline Wilson, who has been Consul General in Hong Kong since September 2012, will brief members on her up to date perceptions of, and the current situation in, Hong Kong.

Caroline's first posting in the FCO was Beijing, where her portfolio included Hong Kong and where she participated in the Sino-British Joint Liaison Group. She has served as Private Secretary to the Foreign Secretary, in the office of the British

Permanent Representative at the European Union, and as Director of UK Trade and Investment in Russia. She is a Barrister by training.

Much is going on in Hong Kong at the moment and Caroline is taking advantage of a brief stay in London to update members. She will be talking under Chatham House Rules and there will be time for questions and answers.

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Hong Kong Association Membership Forum

Geo-politics and Hong Kong: how will it cope?

Date: Wednesday 10th June 2015

Venue: Mayer Brown International LLP, 201 Bishopsgate, London, EC2M 3AF

Time: Seminar 6.30pm to 7.45pm. Reception 7.45pm to 8.15pm

Keynote Speaker: Mr John Greenwood, Chief Economist, Invesco Perpetual Fund Management

Chairman: Mr James Hughes-Hallet, Director, John Swire & Sons Ltd

Panel Speakers:

Dr Gerard Lyons, Chief Economic Advisor to the Mayor of London

Mr Gareth Ward, Head of China Department, Foreign and Commonwealth Office

This forum, which is being very kindly hosted by Corporate Supporter, Mayer Brown, will look at the geo-political uncertainties faced by Hong Kong as a global financial centre. Those present are likely to be well aware of the many current wars, insurrections, tensions and confrontations facing the world but the knock on effects for such a key financial and commercial centre do merit discussion and examination.

John Greenwood will provide an assessment of the effects on Hong Kong of fluctuations and convulsions in world trade and commodity prices and at the uncertainties facing the banking industry and financial services. The panel will discuss these and share with the audience its experience and conclusions. The seminar will be chaired by James Hughes Hallett, who was Chairman of John Swire and Sons until December 2014. He has a long and distinguished experience of Hong Kong business.

John Greenwood was an economic advisor to the Hong Kong Government in the nineties and remains a member of the Currency Board Committee of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority. Gerard Lyons is an expert on Asia and is author of the "Consolation of Economics" which has just been released in paperback by Faber & Faber. He is a regular broadcaster and respected speaker at major domestic and world financial conferences. Among Gareth Ward's postings in the Foreign Office have been Moscow, St Petersburg and Beijing. He has been Head of The China Department at the Foreign and Commonwealth office since 2013.

This should be an extremely relevant and timely session. Thanks to the generosity of Mayer Brown, there will be no cost to members of the Association.

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The Hon Chief Justice Geoffrey Ma, GBM

Chief Justice, Hong Kong SAR

Date: Tuesday 24th February 2015

Venue: The Langham, London, 1c Portland Place, Regent St, London, W1B 1JA

Time: 12.30pm Drinks, 1.00pm - 2.30pm Lunch



The Guest of Honour for this Association Lunch will be Hong Kong's Chief Justice. He is the head of the Judiciary in Hong Kong and presides in the Court of Final Appeal.

The title of Chief Justice Ma's speech is "The impact of the Rule of Law in changing times". There will be a good chance to ask The Chief Justice questions after his speech.

Chief Justice Ma was admitted to the Hong Kong Bar in 1980, having been called to the English Bar in 1978. He was appointed a QC in 1993. He became a Judge in the Court of First Instance in 2001, a Justice of Appeal in 2002 and the Chief Judge of the High Court in 2003. He was appointed the Chief Justice on 1 September 2010.

Chief Justice Ma is in London mainly for the Global Law Summit.

The Lunch will be at the Hong Kong-owned Langham Hotel, which is a prominent member company



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