

## **Keynote speaker**



**Mrs Carrie Lam, GBM, GBS**

**Chief Executive**

**Hong Kong Special Administrative Region**

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

Before assuming the post of the Chief Executive, Mrs Lam had served the public for more than 36 years in 20 public service positions including Director of Social Welfare, Permanent Secretary for Housing, Planning and Lands (Planning and Lands), Director-General of the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office in London, Permanent Secretary for Home Affairs, Secretary for Development and Chief Secretary for Administration.

Mrs Lam was elected as the Fifth-Term Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region on March 26, 2017, and was officially appointed to this position by the Central People's Government on March 31, 2017 to assume office on July 1, 2017.

Mrs Lam is married and has two sons.

## **Panellist**



**Ms Nicki Ramsay**

**Founder/CEO**

**CardUp**

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**Ms Nicki Ramsay** is CEO and Founder of CardUp, a regional payments platform headquartered in Singapore.

Incorporated in Hong Kong in 2019, CardUp was licensed by the Customs and Excise Department of Hong Kong SAR as a Money Service Operator. CardUp is backed by global venture capitalists and has participated in various incubation programmes including the Cyberport Incubation Programme 2020 in Hong Kong.

An expert in the payments industry, Nicki has built digital payments products and previously held various leadership roles for American Express across both Asia Pacific and Europe.

She has contributed as a thought leader in the fintech space, featured in media and events such as The Business Times, Channel NewsAsia and CNBC and is a regular speaker at industry events including Money20/20 and the Singapore Fintech Festival.

Nicki started her career as a management consultant at Deloitte Consulting, after graduating with a first-class degree in Economics.

## **Panellist**



**Mr Logan Wong**  
**Founder and Managing Director**  
**Pure Senses Pte Ltd**

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**Mr Logan Wong** is the founder and managing director of Pure Senses Pte Ltd - brand owner of Purely and sole distributor of Yankee Candle, Votivo and Candle Warmers in Hong Kong, Malaysia and Singapore.

In 2017, the company incorporated a wholly owned subsidiary in Hong Kong. Logan relocated to Hong Kong from late 2018 to early 2020 to manage the business. The company now operates five retail stores in Tsim Sha Tsui, Causeway Bay, Tsuen Wan, Diamond Hill and Kowloon Bay.

In addition to Hong Kong, Logan has lived and worked in the San Francisco Bay Area, New York City, Kuala Lumpur and Singapore.

Logan holds a Bachelor of Accountancy from Nanyang Technological University, Singapore.

## **Panellist**



**Ms Jaelle Ang**  
**CEO and Co-Founder**  
**The Great Room**

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**Ms Jaelle Ang** is the CEO and Co-Founder of The Great Room – a premium, hospitality-centric co-working operator in Asia.

Occupying 24,000-sq ft in the prestigious One Taikoo Place since 2019, The Great Room is a premium co-working space that counts more than 300 high growth companies in the finance, legal, consulting, luxury, media and tech industries in its portfolio.

Prior to this venture, Jaelle was part of the founding team at SET-listed company, Country Group Development Public Company Limited in Thailand, heading the development of one of the largest mixed-use developments in Bangkok, including the Four Seasons Hotel, Four Seasons Residences and Capella Hotel. Her role included masterplanning, design conceptualization, fundraising and corporate strategy from 2009 – 2016 and she is also currently on the Board of Directors.

Jaelle read Architecture at the Bartlett School of Architecture in London and completed her MBA in Imperial College, London. She also spent a few years in Citibank and Credit Suisse doing Strategy and M&A for Asian emerging markets.

## **Moderator**



**Mr Stephen Phillips**

**Director-General of Investment Promotion**

**Invest Hong Kong**

**Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government**

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**Mr Stephen Phillips** is the Director-General of Investment Promotion at Invest Hong Kong (InvestHK), the Government Department responsible for attracting and facilitating foreign direct investment into Hong Kong.

In a career focused on Asia for more than thirty years, Mr Phillips first moved to Hong Kong in 1989 holding senior investment banking positions with Deutsche and BZW/Barclays Capital before co-founding a Hong Kong-based group of companies providing IT, financial and consultancy services across Asia. In 2004, he joined the UK's Department of International Trade before becoming the Chief Executive of the China Britain Business Council in 2006, as well as Chairman of the EU China Business Association.

Mr Phillips holds a BSc in Chemistry and Law from the University of Exeter.