

Michael Lee Tze-hau

Mr Michael Lee Tze-hau graduated from Boston University with a master's degree in business administration. He returned to Hong Kong from the US in the 1980s to work in the financial sector. In 1990, Mr Lee joined Hysan Development Company Limited, where he has served in a number of senior positions such as director of operations and managing director. He is currently a director of Oxer Limited, a steward of The Hong Kong Jockey Club, as well as a non-executive director of Hysan Development Company Limited and several other publicly-listed companies in Hong Kong.

Over the past two decades, corporations worldwide have become increasingly aware of their corporate social responsibility. Hong Kong businesses are no exception, thanks to the instrumental role played by the Hong Kong Management Association (HKMA).

For many years, Mr Lee has been actively involved in the work of HKMA, and is now serving as a member of its Council and Executive Committee. In addition, Mr Lee is a director of the Hong Kong Exchange and Clearing Limited (HKEx), which is also committed to enhancing corporate governance and the transparency of publicly-listed companies in Hong Kong. It has been working tirelessly to revise and update the rules and regulations, guidelines and codes of practices on information disclosure, the composition of boards of directors and other aspects, which has helped elevate the quality of corporate governance in Hong Kong to new heights. Mr Lee also holds a number of important positions in the panels and committees of HKEx, including being a member of the Panel Member Nomination Committee and Deputy Chairman of the Derivatives Market Consultative Panel. He was also a member of the Main Board and Growth Enterprise Market Listing Committees, contributing a great deal to strengthening corporate governance in Hong Kong.

A leading figure in the new generation of business executives, Mr Lee believes that corporations should move with the times and continuously raise the standard of corporate governance and transparency. A broad perspective, a receptive ear to diverse views and a readiness to embrace changes and innovations are also critical to the success of modern business executives. Mr Lee lives up to his beliefs by bringing new ideas to corporate management. Under the leadership of Mr Lee and his management team, Hysan Development Company Limited has earned local and international awards in recognition of its excellence in corporate governance, such as being selected as one of the top five companies for best corporate governance practices in Asia/Pacific in the IR Global Rankings.

Notwithstanding his business commitments, Mr Lee always has the underprivileged in mind. He joined the Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children as early as 1988, where he was Chairman of its executive committee and now serves as President. Among other public positions, Mr Lee is also Deputy Chairman of Helping Hand and a member of the Standing Committee on Disciplined Services Salaries and Conditions of Service.

Mr Lee started riding horses at a young age, and loves the sport very much. He also frequently participates in various sports activities. He has been working enthusiastically to promote equestrianism and other sports through his service at the Hong Kong Equestrian Federation as Vice President, and at the Hong Kong Sports Institute as a director. Mr Lee was also a member of the Equestrian Committee (Hong Kong) of the Beijing Olympics Organising Committee, Chef d'Equipe of the Hong Kong para-equestrian team, as well as Chairman of the Education and Promotion Sub-Committee of the Hong Kong Equestrian Federation.

Mr Chairman, for his active involvement in social and philanthropic services, devotion to equestrian sports, promotion of corporate social responsibility as well as his efforts in enhancing corporate governance and transparency, may I now present Mr Michael Lee Tze-hau to you for the conferment of an honorary fellowship.