World Family Office Forum | Asia

9-10 October 2025The Ritz Carlton Hotel, Hong Kong









The Event

The World Family Office Forum | Asia is an exclusive business event, uniting the region's leading business families and family offices.

A Private Forum for Thoughtful Exchange

The sixth edition of the summit brings together an exceptional community of family principals, family office leaders, and trusted advisors for in-depth dialogue on the most pressing challenges and opportunities facing families today. From navigating succession and governance to exploring new frontiers in investment and innovation, every session is designed to spark meaningful conversations and actionable insight.

Built around closed-door discussions, private roundtables, and informal networking, the forum creates a trusted environment where families can speak openly, share experiences, and form lasting partnerships.

Hosted by Connect Group, a long-established global leader in family office events, the forum blends international perspectives with a distinctly Asia lens. The event maintains a deliberately high ratio of family offices - with at least 70% of participants representing families or their offices - ensuring a peer-led atmosphere and conversations grounded in shared experience and long-term priorities.

Whether you're seeking strategic insight, or simply new connections with your peers, the World Family Office Forum I Asia offers a rare opportunity to engage and learn.





Shaping the Conversation

Each edition of the forum features a carefully curated lineup of speakers and respected partners from across the family office and investment world.

This year's highlighted speakers include:



Veronica Colondam

Founder & CEO
YCAB Foundation

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Mahesh Harilela

Family Council Convenor Harilela Group

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Dato' Yong Yoon Li

Managing Director Royal Selangor

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Managing Director & Head of Private Investments, **Kiri Capital**

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Richard Tao

Chairman, New Heritage Investments Limited

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Shannon Cheung

Founder & CEO Averest Capital

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Investment Director **GP Group**

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Rebekah Woo

Managing Director, Private
Markets & Funds, Farro Capital

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Why Attend

The World Family Office Forum I Asia is a private gathering of the region's most influential family offices, principals, and investment leaders - designed for real conversation, relationship-building, and strategic insight.

√ Connect with the Right People

Meet fellow family principals, family office leaders, and trusted advisors from across Asia - all carefully curated for quality and compatibility.

√ Lead with Purpose and Legacy

Explore how to navigate the complexities of family wealth - from defining purpose and preserving legacy, to managing complex family dynamics.

√ Mobilise Capital for Good

Learn how to align capital with conscience through philanthropy, sustainability, and impact investing - using wealth to shape a better future.

✓ Invest with Insight & Foresight

Hear from experienced CIOs, VCs, and asset managers on emerging themes, sector trends, and managing risk in a complex macro environment.

✓ Build Meaningful Relationships

Engage in private, off-the-record conversations, interactive sessions, and shared experiences that foster trust and long-term collaboration.

Event Partners

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Thu 9 Oct

08:00 - 09:00

Registration & Light Breakfast

09:00 - 09:10

Welcome Remarks from the Summit Chair

Friska Wirya, Top 50 Change Management Thought Leader | TEDx Speaker | 2x #1 Best-Selling Author

09:10 - 09:50 | Panel Discussion

Why We're Here: Defining Purpose as a Family

In a world of growing complexity, it's no longer enough to focus solely on structure or strategy. As a family principal or leader, you're likely asking deeper questions: Why do we do what we do? This opening session explores how clarity of purpose can serve as a guiding force - for your capital, your culture, and your legacy. Hear from family leaders who are redefining what it means to lead with intent - and how a clear sense of purpose is shaping the way they build, invest, and influence the world.

Moderator:

Angel Chia, Executive Director, Hong Kong Academy for Wealth Legacy

Panellists:

Veronica Colondam, Founder & CEO, YCAB Foundation

09:50 - 10:00 | Keynote Presentation

The World Economy in 2025: Outlook and Implications

A global economic forecast tailored to families: where we're heading, and how to prepare for what's next.

10:00 - 10:40 | Panel Discussion

Global Investment Trends: Preparing for Tomorrow's Opportunities

This session will explore how family offices can navigate evolving geopolitical risks, balance private and public market investments, optimize alternative assets, and implement effective risk management strategies to ensure resilient, diversified portfolios in an increasingly volatile and uncertain global landscape.

Panellists:

Shiraz Poonevala, Director of Investments, GP Group lesan Tsai, Managing Director & Head of Private Investments, Kiri Capital

Christopher Hamilton, Head of Client Solutions, Asia Pacific ex Japan, **Invesco**

10:40 - 11:00 | Keynote Presentation

Public Markets as a Cornerstone of a Family Portfolio

With market volatility rising, how can we leverage public equities, fixed income and bonds to anchor broader portfolio strategies?

11:00 - 11:30

Networking Break / One-To-One Meetings

11:30 - 12:30

Roundtable Discussions

Table 1: Credit is King - Private Debt & Lending

Derek Fin, Senior Client Portfolio Manager, Invesco

Table 2: Responsible Wealth - Impact & Philanthropy

Table 3: The Al Wave - Opportunities & Caution

Table 4: Private Equity - Sectors, Valuations & Exits

12:30 - 14:00

Networking Lunch

14:00 - 14:50 | Panel Discussion

Venture Capital Trends: The Shifting Landscape and What Family Offices Need to Know

This session will explore the current state of the global venture capital market, examining key trends and emerging opportunities that family offices should consider when looking to deploy capital. The discussion will focus on how venture investing is evolving, the sectors gaining momentum, and strategies to optimize returns while managing risk in today's market.

Panellists:

Shannon Cheung, Founder & CEO, Averest Capital Carman Chan, Founder & Managing Partner, Click Ventures Rebekah Woo, Managing Director, Private Markets & Funds, Farro Capital

14:50 - 15:10 | Keynote Presentation

Tech Disruption: What's Next for Investors?

Exploring how cutting-edge innovations are reshaping industries and where family offices can find the next big winners.

15:10 - 15:30 | Keynote Presentation

Global Healthcare: Where Are the High-Growth Markets?

Identifying key trends driving healthcare investments, from biotech breakthroughs to digital health, and where to focus.

15:30 - 16:00 | Fireside Chat

The Power of Networks & Co-Investing

Beyond capital, how can family offices leverage their networks to access top-tier private deals, reduce risk, and drive returns?

Guneet Banga, Co-Founder & Managing Partner, **Parinama Group**

16:00 - 16:40 | Panel Discussion

Digital Assets & Family Wealth: Strategies for the Future

As digital assets become an increasingly discussed asset class, family offices must decide whether they are a speculative trend or a valuable addition to a diversified portfolio. This session explores risks, opportunities, and best practices for incorporating digital assets into long-term investment strategies.

Panellists:

Kunal Chowdhry, CEO, Apollo Singapore Investments Zann Kwann, Managing Partner, Chief Investment Officer, Revo Digital Family Office Hampton Tao, Investment Manager, New Heritage Investments Limited

16:40 - 17:00 | Keynote Presentation

Web3, DeFi & the Next Evolution of Financial Services

Exploring how Web3 and DeFi are transforming financial services, enabling decentralization, new investment opportunities, and redefining traditional banking.

17:00 - 20:00

Networking Cocktail Reception & Gala Dinner

Enjoy cocktails and dinner at Ozone Bar - perched atop the Ritz-Carlton Hong Kong, the highest bar in the world.

Fri 10 Oct

08:00 - 09:00

Networking Breakfast

09:00 - 09:40 | Panel Discussion

The Future Family Office: Structure, Scale, & Stewardship

As family offices evolve into sophisticated investment and advisory platforms, the operational backbone has never been more critical. This session shines a spotlight on the leaders managing structure, governance, compliance, talent, and technology within family offices. From institutionalizing processes to balancing privacy, we'll discuss what it takes to run a world-class family office in today's complex environment.

Moderator:

Nishtha Asthana, Financial Journalist

Panellists:

Janet Hung, Chief Operating Officer, NF Trinity
Eric SayWei Neo, Board Director, Medway Investments
Wanying Lim, Chief Operating Officer & Co-Chief Investment
Officer, STG Asset Management

09:40 - 10:20 | Panel Discussion

The Multigenerational Family Business: Leadership, Growth & Continuity

This session will explore how multigenerational family businesses can successfully navigate leadership transitions, strengthen governance, and manage family relationships. Speakers will share real insights on balancing tradition with innovation, professionalizing operations, and ensuring the long-term success and impact of the family enterprise.

Panellists:

Mahesh Harilela, Family Council Convenor, Harilela Group Richard Tao, Chairman, New Heritage Investments Limited Dato' Yong Yoon Li, Managing Director, Royal Selangor

10:20 - 11:00 | Panel Discussion

Oceans, Earth, and Legacy: Protecting Nature as a Core Family Value

As environmental crises intensify, a growing number of family leaders are embracing a deeper form of stewardship - one that extends beyond investing to include regeneration, advocacy, and values-driven leadership. From marine conservation to biodiversity protection, this session explores how emerging family principals are aligning their life's work with the preservation of nature. We'll hear stories of passion-led initiatives, ESG in legacy businesses, and how today's inheritors are reimagining legacy as a force for planetary renewal.

11:00 - 11:40 | Panel Discussion

Scaling Impact: How to Drive Meaningful Change Through Investment

As impact investing evolves, families are moving beyond traditional philanthropy and ESG screens to deploy capital that drives both financial returns and measurable change. This session explores how to structure impact investments - from mission-aligned private equity to venture philanthropy and catalytic capital - to achieve scale and systemic outcomes.

Panellists:

Eric Ng, CEO, Happiness Capital Jack Hon, Director, HCL Capital

11:40 - 12:00 | Keynote Presentation

Investing in Human Potential: Driving Social Impact

This keynote explores how capital can unlock opportunity and drive scalable social impact through investments in education, health, and inclusion.

12:00 - 12:40 | Panel Discussion

Real Estate Strategies for Family Offices

Amid economic shifts and evolving regulations, family offices must rethink their real estate strategies. This session explores key factors shaping allocations today - across markets, asset classes, risk, and structure - to align with long-term wealth goals.

Panellists:

H.S.H. Carl-Eduard, Prince of Bismarck, CEO, Bismarck Family Office

12:40 - 12:50

Closing Thoughts from the Summit Chair

Friska Wirya, Top 50 Change Management Thought Leader | TEDx Speaker | 2x #1 Best-Selling Author

The Summit Chair looks back on the discussions of the two days sharing her key takeaways.

12:50 - 14:00

Networking Lunch

Enjoy the closing lunch with fellow delegates.



9th October 09:10 - 09:50

Panel Discussion:

Why We're Here: Defining Purpose as a Family

Veronica Colondam

Founder & CEO
YCAB Foundation

Founded YCAB Foundation in 1999 to break generational poverty through financial inclusion, reaching 5M+ low-income youth and women. YCAB ranks #28 globally among Top 500 Nonprofits (2024). Veronica holds an MSc from Imperial College London and has received two UN awards (Vienna 2001, NY 2017). Recognized as a Davos Young Global Leader, Asia21 Fellow, EY & Schwab Social Entrepreneur of the Year, and one of Forbes' 48 Asian Philanthropists. She serves as Independent Commissioner at PT PNM, one of the world's largest microfinance institutions (US\$4B outstanding, 15M clients), and is the former Chair of AVPN, Asia's leading social investment network (2021–2025). Veronica is also an author, mentor, speaker, and proud mother of three grown children.



10th October 09:40 - 10:20

Panel Discussion:

The Multigenerational Family Business: Leadership, Growth & Continuity

Dato' Yong Yoon Li

Managing Director Royal Selangor

Yoon Li graduated with a Masters in Engineering from the Manufacturing Engineering School at the University of Birmingham, UK and holds an MBA from IMD, Lausanne Switzerland. He recalls that when he first enrolled in 1989, the Manufacturing school was located in the Electronics and Electrical Building. A year later, the faculty moved to the Mechanical Engineering building. Yoon Li also enjoyed learning about Robotics and Al, so he pursued an opportunity to gain work experience for a month in an engineering factory in Digbeth. There, he received hands-on practice in operating a lathe and milling machine, and learnt basic metalworking skills. Upon graduating from the University of Birmingham, Yoon Li worked in Formula One at Team Lotus International as a junior design engineer. He continued working in the automotive industry with Nissan Motorsports Europe and TVR Engineering in Blackpool. Yoon Li started with Royal Selangor International in 2005 and joined as Executive Director in 2012. Today, as Managing Director, he ensures that the brand continues to design and produce beautiful and relevant products for today's discerning consumers. Having served on various committees and boards, Yoon Li is currently a member of EO and the Malaysia country chair for Family Business Network International. Yoon Li met his wife, Grace, who studied Software Engineering, while at the University of Birmingham. They have two daughters.



9th October 10:00 - 10:40

Panel Discussion:

Global Investment Trends: Preparing for Tomorrow's Opportunities

lesan TsaiManaging Director & Head of Private Investments **Kiri Capital**

lesan Tsai is Managing Director and Head of Private Investments at Kiri Capital, an Asia-based private investment firm that manages capital globally on behalf of strategic shareholders. Prior to this, lesan was the regional Head of Asia at Hermes GPE, a UK-headquartered asset management firm, where she led all of the firm's private equity investments across the Asia Pacific Region. lesan began her career in private equity and investment banking in the United States and was previously at UBS Investment Bank and JP Morgan. She holds a B.A. from Stanford University and an M.B.A. from The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania.



10th October 09:40 - 10:20

The Multigenerational Family Business: Leadership, Growth & Continuity

Mahesh Harilela

Family Council Convenor Harilela Group

Mahesh Harilela is an entrepreneur and philanthropist, well-respected within the vibrant business community of Hong Kong. As a member of the renowned Harilela family, he has contributed to the diverse portfolio of the Harilela Group, which spans hospitality, real estate, finance, and more.

Mahesh's insights and actions have had a profound impact on its operations and strategic direction. His work supports the group's ventures into new areas like renewable energy, agriculture, advanced technology, and NewSpqce Economy thereby contributing to the Harilela family's legacy of innovation and global engagement.

Mahesh also actively participates in the Harilela Family Council, where he plays a crucial role as Convenor in areas such as preserving the family's heritage, shaping family governance policies, and supporting the development of the family office. Through his involvement, he helps to ensure that the family's values and business ethics are maintained and passed down through generations.

Mahesh Harilela's contributions reflect his deep commitment to both his family's legacy and the broader community, showcasing his influence in fostering sustainable growth and family unity.



10th October 09:40 - 10:20

The Multigenerational Family Business: Leadership, Growth & Continuity

Richard Tao

Chairman
New Heritage Investments Limited

Richard is Chairman of New Heritage Investments Limited, a member of the New Heritage Group family office based in Hong Kong with cornerstone, venture capital and private equity investments in pharmaceuticals, healthcare, innovation & technology and real estate.

Former Executive Director and Vice Chairman of New Heritage Holdings Ltd. (HKSE Stock Code: 95), a family real estate development and investment business that IPO'd in December 2005 on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange Main Board; the family's controlling interest was sold in a General Offer in May 2014.

Being the second generation member of the family business, he has worked with both founder, current and next generation members from a sole-proprietor to family office evolution, now incorporating both profit driven as well as ESG and impact investment philosophies in target companies and funds.

The family office also continues the founder's philanthropic legacy through a family foundation that focuses on elderly and inter-generational causes in Hong Kong.



10th October 09:00 - 09:40

Panel Discussion:

The Future Family Office: Structure, Scale, & Stewardship

Wanying Lim

Chief Operating Officer & Co-Chief Investment Officer STG Asset Management

Wanying Lim is the Chief Operating Officer and Co-Chief Investment Officer of STG Asset Management, a Singapore-based investment office established for a Swiss principal with a global, multi-asset investment mandate. She oversees investment strategy, governance, and cross-border deployment across public and private markets. Having spent 15 years living, studying, and working across Milan, London, São Paulo, and Hong Kong, she brings a globally informed perspective to family office leadership. Her career includes roles at UBS, Julius Baer, and FNZ. Wanying also serves on the board of the Italian Chamber of Commerce in Singapore and champions women in finance. She is a mother of three.



9th October 14:00 - 14:50

Panel Discussion:

Venture Capital Trends: The Shifting Landscape and What Family Offices Need to Know

Shannon Cheung

Founder & CEO Averest Capital

Mr. Cheung Wing Hong Shannon MH, JP, the Founder and Chairman of Averest Capital Group, is a personal investor and venture incubator with over 20 years' experience in investment and venture building. He has cofounded a number of innovative and disruptive startups in various emerging industries in China. Mr. Cheung works closely with entrepreneurs and provides strategic advice, international experience, finance and fundraising expertise to help corporates to grow and become a leader in their respective industries. The companies Mr Cheung has cofounded include (i)Likang Life Sciences, a biotech company that pioneered China's leading personalized neoantigen mRNA cancer vaccine, which was the first of its kind to be approved by NMPA to enter the clinical trials in China in Mar 2023. In Feb 2025, US FDA has also approved its IND application; (ii) Hero Games, a leading mobile game developer, which incubated numerous game studios including Game Science (Black Myth: Wukong) and Kuro Games(Wuthering Waves); (iii) Hero Esports, the largest esports company in Asia; (iv)All Football, leading football media platform that offers match details & professional statistics; (v)DIB Group, a fintech asset manager that leverages big data and Al technologies.



9th October 09:00 - 09:10

Chair's Welcome Remarks

Friska Wirya

Top 50 Change Management Thought Leader | TEDx Speaker | 2x #1 Best-Selling Author

Friska Wirya is a globally recognized expert in change management and leadership, known for her work as an Organizational Change Advisor and Change Leadership Coach. She is an Emeritus Faculty member in Change Management, a TEDx speaker, and the author of two #1 best-selling books, The Future Fit Organization and The Future Fit Asian Organization. She also created FUTURE TALK, a conversation card game designed for leadership teams. Over the past decade, Friska has led change programs impacting up to 65,000 people across six continents. Her debut book became a bestseller within 36 hours and achieved three additional category best-seller rankings in just a few days. Her work is available globally and stocked at Harvard University, Periplus, Kinokuniya, Amazon, Barnes & Noble, Booktopia, and Tokopedia. Friska has been named among the Top 50 Global Change Management Thought Leaders, Top 50 Asia Pacific Business Consultants You Should Know, and Top 10 Women Change Makers in Indonesia. She is also recognized as a Top Voice in Workplace Culture and Change. Her insights have been featured in publications such as the Australian Institute of Company Directors, The Financial Review, The Sydney Morning Herald, Smart Company, UN Women, and Women's Agenda. Based in Indonesia, she continues to advise and facilitate custom change management programs for major players in oil and gas, engineering, and technology.



9th October 09:10 - 09:50

Why We're Here: Defining Purpose as a Family

Angel Chia Executive Director

Hong Kong Academy for Wealth Legacy

Angel Chia is the Executive Director of the Hong Kong Academy for Wealth Legacy, a pioneering institute dedicated to invigorating a vibrant ecosystem for family offices worldwide. The Academy aims to foster collaboration, networking, knowledge sharing and talent development amongst family office principals, next-generation wealth owners and private wealth management professionals, with a view to strengthening Hong Kong as a leading global family office hub. Prior to joining the Academy, Angel was the Chair of the Family Office Association Hong Kong, an industry association for professional Family Offices.

Angel has accumulated 20+ years of experience in the financial industry, ranging from equity sales & trading to asset & wealth management in Taipei, New York, Hong Kong and Singapore, with Solomon Smith Barney, ABN Amro and BNP Paribas. Angel spent the last decade as a serial entrepreneur. She set up the Singapore subsidiary for Shenwan Hongyuan, and later managed the Chinese firm's offshore asset management business in Hong Kong and Singapore. She then set up SingAlliance (Hong Kong) as CEO for the Singaporean External-Asset-Manager and was Chief Strategy Officer of Fountainhead Partners. Angel also founded NexGenerator, a family office accelerator that mentors Family Next-Gens to be well-informed principals of their own Family Office structures.

Angel holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree from the University of Toronto and an MBA from the University of Chicago Booth School of Business. She is also an Adjunct Associate Professor at the Institute of Global Asset Management, National Sun-Yat-Sen University in Taiwan.



9th October 10:00 - 10:40

Panel Discussion:

Global Investment Trends: Preparing for Tomorrow's Opportunities

Shiraz Poonevala

Director of Investments **GP Group**

Shiraz joined the G.P. Group in 2008 to establish and run its Single Family Office. The G.P. Group is a Thailand based conglomerate with diverse business activities covering several geographies (www.premjee.com). The Group has majority stakes in four publicly listed companies and has either founded or invested in many closely held private companies. Shiraz is the Head of the Family Office and is also directly responsible for monitoring and overseeing all existing and new investment activities. Shiraz has a total of over 25 years of investment and corporate banking experience in leading financial service organizations. In his last position, he was the Investment Banking Head of Seamico Securities Plc. and focused on Equity Capital Market and M&A transactions in Thailand. Prior to joining Seamico in 2005, Shiraz was a Director of Paragon Partners, a pre-eminent boutique investment bank. At Paragon, he focused mainly on cross border corporate finance transactions as well as restructuring Thai companies. He was with HSBC in Thailand during the peak of the Asian financial crisis with a focus on restructuring and remedying distressed debt within the corporate bank. Shiraz also worked with Credit Lyonnais in India as the Deputy Head of Corporate Banking at which time he was responsible for driving business development. He has vast experience in direct investment and private equity, structured finance, corporate banking, debt restructuring and providing corporate advisory services. His first job was with HSBC in India at which time he set up for the bank what was one of India's first country-wide Cash Management system. Shiraz is a qualified Chartered Accountant with a Masters degree in Finance and Accounting. Shiraz is also a Director on the Board of several publicly listed and private companies. He is a regular speaker at many leading events on Investments, Finance and Family Offices.



10th October 09:00 - 09:40

Panel Discussion:

The Future Family Office: Structure, Scale, & Stewardship

Janet Hung
Chief Operating Officer
NF Trinity

Janet Hung is the Chief Operating Officer at NF Trinity. She manages and handles the daily business operations of the company, working closely with department heads to support the day-to-day activities. Prior to joining NF Trinity, she spent 15 years in PAG where her last position was the Managing Director, Chief Financial Officer, focusing on Credit and Markets strategy of the firm. PAG is a leading Pan-Asia focused alternative investment company. She has extensive experience on developing financial strategies for investment portfolios and funds, as well as designing and structuring of investment funds. Before joining PAG, Janet commenced her professional career at Ernst & Young, where she focused on the audit of investment funds for four years. She also worked at JP Morgan's Asia Equities Financial Control team before. Janet graduated with first-class honor in BSc Management from London School of Economics and Political Science. She is a fellow member of ACCA.



9th October 15:30 - 16:00

Fireside Chat:

The Power of Networks & Co-Investing

Guneet Banga

Co-Founder & Managing Partner **Parinama Group**

Guneet Banga is the Co-Founder and Managing Partner of Parinama Group, a climate technology platform dedicated to harnessing India's intrinsic strengths to develop global solutions. Parinama focuses on building and scaling innovations that address climate challenges at the intersection of emerging markets and sustainable development. In parallel, Mr. Banga serves as Executive Director of The Caravel Group, a global maritime, commodities, and asset management conglomerate, where he has played a key role in expanding the Group's sustainability, climate action, and impact investment efforts. He leads Caravel Sustainable Investments, which targets ESG-aligned assets through public markets, including equities, thematic ETFs, and green and blue bonds. Until 2024, Mr. Banga was both a GP and LP at Aera VC, an early-growth venture fund investing in deep tech solutions for a sustainable future. Aera VC was recognized by the World Economic Forum in 2023 as one of its "Most Innovative Funds for the Future." Mr. Banga remains a shareholder, board member, and investor in Aera. Before joining the Caravel Group, Mr. Banga was Vice President in Citi's Capital Markets Origination division, overseeing equity and equity-linked transactions across India, South Korea, and Southeast Asia. A strong advocate for climate action and sustainability finance, Mr. Banga is an active member of several global platforms. He serves on the Board of the Sustainable Finance Initiative (SFi) in Hong Kong and contributes to working groups within the Global Impact Investing Network and previously the Indian Impact Council. As a member of the World Economic Forum's Impact Circle, he collaborates with peers across business and philanthropy to accelerate climate solutions. He is also a member of Rocky Mountain Institute's Solution Council. Mr. Banga holds an MBA in Finance and Strategic Management from the Wharton School and an AB in Economics with certificates in East Asian Studies and Finance from Princeton University, where he is a member of the President's Circle. He holds GRI and PRI professional certifications and completed the ESG Specialization Program from the Corporate Finance Initiative. He has pursued advanced ESG and impact investing education through programs at Cambridge, Harvard, and other leading institutions. In recognition of his work, Mr. Banga was named "Global Visionary - Impact and Sustainability Icon" by the Times of India's Vision World Academy in 2023. His work is guided by a conviction that meaningful, scalable climate solutions must originate in and be driven by the needs of the communities most affected. Through both investment and advocacy, he continues to champion sustainability with purpose and pragmatism.

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10th October 09:00 - 09:40

The Future Family Office: Structure, Scale, & Stewardship

Eric SayWei Neo

Board Director Medway Investments

Eric SayWei Neo, a distinguished leader with over two decades of experience across capital markets, FinTech, family office and wealth management, brings a unique Asia family office perspective shaped by his role as Board Director of Medway Investments, a single-family office and former founding CEO of Majulah Equity Partners, a Pan-Asian asset management firm with pursuit of Crafting Legacies That Prosperity Ensures. As a graduate of the prestigious 6th Asian Financial Leaders Programme by the Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS), Eric's strategic vision is deeply informed by global trends, innovation, and regulatory insights gained from prestigious institutions such as IMD Business School, Singapore Management University and Tsinghua University, enabling him to navigate VUCA and BANI landscapes.

Eric's family office approach is evident in his stewardship of Medway Investments and as an Investment Committee member of the SAFRA National Service Association managing sizable investible assets. A seasoned entrepreneur and an intrapreneur, Eric have been instrumental in shaping the FinTech ecosystem, particularly in high-frequency trading and blockchain. His tenure as founding President of Alta Exchange (formerly Hg Exchange) saw the creation of Southeast Asia's first member-driven private securities exchange. Eric's expertise in fund management is underscored by his role in establishing RF Fund Management, a former MAS-registered fund management company, and RF Transformation Fund VCC, a private equity umbrella fund under Singapore's VCC Act.

Eric's commitment to innovation and resilience has earned him numerous accolades, including the Pingat Bakti Setia (Tentera) (National Day Awards 2024 awarded by the President of Singapore), Executive of the Year, Financial Services Award (SBR Management Excellence Awards 2020) and the Business Resilience and Innovation Award (ASEAN Young Entrepreneur Awards 2022), reflect his commitment to excellence and ethical leadership, making him a pivotal figure in advancing family office interests across Asia and beyond. He is an active participant in industry networks such as MAS' Singapore Financial Leaders Network and the Wealth Management Institute's Global-Asia Family Office Circle. His military national service as a Lieutenant Colonel in a Singapore Infantry Brigade of the Singapore Armed Forces further exemplifies his leadership and strategic acumen.

Eric's forward-looking mindset and dedication to stewardship make him a pivotal figure, trusted advisor and visionary in the family office community.



9th October 14:00 - 14:50

Panel Discussion:

Venture Capital Trends: The Shifting Landscape and What Family Offices Need to Know

Rebekah Woo

Managing Director, Private Markets & Funds Farro Capital

Originally from Singapore with a business family, Rebekah has more than 20 years of global multi-asset investing through funds, co-investments and directs. She grew her experience and expertise across government, major institutions such as J.P. Morgan, CDPQ, Fosun and multibillion dollar family offices in US and Asia. Rebekah is currently Managing Director, Private Markets and Funds with Farro Capital, a multibillion dollar multi family office with presence in Singapore, Dubai and India. With degrees from LSE, Yale, CFA, CAIA, Rebekah is a recognised trainer at Business Families Institute (BFI), Wealth Management Institute (WMI) as well as Board Director / Committee member at leading organisations and companies, such as BANSEA, Singapore Institute of Directors (SID). Rebekah also actively advocates diversity, generational and women leadership, governance, succession planning and impact investing in businesses and families.



9th October 11:30 - 12:30

Roundtable Discussion:

Credit is King - Private Debt & Lending

Derek FinSenior Client Portfolio Manager Invesco

Derek Fin is a Senior Client Portfolio Manager for Invesco's Global Private Credit group. In this role, he is focused on supporting business development efforts and is responsible for client communication for senior loans and alternative credit products.

Mr. Fin joined Invesco in 2022. Prior to joining the firm, he was a vice president and senior client portfolio manager at Seix Investment Advisors, responsible for senior loan and high yield bond strategies. Before that, Mr. Fin was a vice president at J.P. Morgan on the multi-asset portfolio management team, where he focused on investments in equities, fixed income, and alternatives. Prior to that, he was a fixed income product specialist at Goldman Sachs within the investment management division. Mr. Fin began his career in 2010 at the LSTA (Loan Syndications and Trading association) as a market analyst providing research to institutional clients on the senior loan market.

Mr. Fin earned a BBA degree in finance from Lehman College. He is a Chartered Alternative Investment Analyst® (CAIA) charterholder.



9th October 10:00 - 10:40

Panel Discussion:

Global Investment Trends: Preparing for Tomorrow's Opportunities

Christopher Hamilton

Head of Client Solutions, Asia Pacific ex Japan **Invesco**

Christopher Hamilton is Head of Client Solutions, Asia Pacific ex Japan, for Invesco's Investment Solutions (IIS) team. In this role, his responsibilities include guiding clients on asset allocation and portfolio construction and implementing customized multi-asset investment strategies. He leads the engagement effort for key institutional investors and financial intermediaries to formulate outcome-oriented investment solutions tailored to client-specific dimensions.

Mr. Hamilton joined Invesco in 2015. Prior to assuming his current position, he served as head of portfolio advisory and senior solutions strategist for IIS, where he was responsible for providing multi-asset portfolio construction research and guidance and custom investment solutions to institutions and wealth management intermediaries across North America. Previously, Mr. Hamilton was director, portfolio advisory for IIS, where he built and led the advisory solutions platform in North America. Before joining the firm, he was director of business analysis for Phillips 66, where he engaged in merger, acquisition, and divestiture efforts, and capital markets activities. He also held multiple investment management roles for Bank of America.

Mr. Hamilton earned a BA degree in economics from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and an MBA from Rice University. He is a Chartered Financial Analyst® (CFA) charterholder and Chartered Alternative Investment Analyst (CAIA) professional.



9th October 16:00 - 16:40

Panel Discussion:

Digital Assets & Family Wealth: Strategies for the Future

Kunal Chowdhry

Apollo Singapore Investments

Kunal currently manages a multi-million dollar family office based in Singapore. The company makes investments across multiple asset classes including fixed income and global equities. The company also invests in start-ups primarily based in South-East Asia. Though sector agnostic, Kunal's area of interest and expertise is SAAS companies in the HR Tech and Fin Tech domains. Over the past four years, Kunal has been deeply involved in the evolving landscapes of crypto, blockchain, and Al. He recently launched a dedicated fund to channel third-party capital into crypto-focused ETFs, equities of crypto treasury firms, and select Web3 projects—particularly those built on Bitcoin and Ethereum. Kunal also serves as the South and Southeast Asia partner at Blue Whale Ventures (BWV), a private investment club and advisory platform headquartered in Silicon Valley. BWV connects sophisticated investors to cutting-edge opportunities in Al, quantum technologies, and life sciences, offering curated deal flow, expert insights, and high-level networking.



9th October 14:00 - 14:50

Panel Discussion:

Venture Capital Trends: The Shifting Landscape and What Family Offices Need to Know

Carman Chan

Founder & Managing Partner Click Ventures

Carman Chan has forged a distinguished career at the intersection of entrepreneurship, venture capital, and thought leadership. Initially turning down a PhD offer from Imperial College London, she founded EnglishStreet, later acquired by Hong Kong Economic Times (0423.hk), and Click Limited, acquired by Far Eastone (4904.TW). Her achievements earned features in Harvard Business Review and global speaking engagements across 20+ countries.

Transitioning into venture capital, Chan managed Click Ventures during a period when it ranked as the world's top-performing VC fund by Preqin. In 2022, Click Ventures launched an Impact Initiative recognized by the World Economic Forum as a top innovative fund.

That year also marked her move into building her own single-family office with her husband, focusing on portfolio and fund investments rather than direct startups, signaling a strategic shift from hands-on company building.

Chan's influence extends beyond operations; she is a published author, sought-after speaker, and media fixture, with features in Harper's Bazaar, Wall Street Journal, and South China Morning Post. Her recognition as one of Asia's "Top 5 Women to Watch in Tech" by Nikkei Asia Review underscores her role as a key figure in shaping the region's tech innovation. Throughout her journey, Chan has balanced entrepreneurial success, investment leadership, and thought leadership, consistently driving global tech and investment trends.



9th October 16:00 - 16:40

Digital Assets & Family Wealth: Strategies for the Future

Hampton Tao

Investment Manager

New Heritage Investments Limited

Hampton serves as Investment Manager at New Heritage Investments Limited and Programme Manager at C.F. & Nancy Tao Family Foundation. He is responsible for managing a multi-strategy digital asset portfolio. He is also passionate about harnessing technology for social impact and actively backing crypto-native, impact-oriented founders at the earliest stages of their journey.

Previously, he served as an Associate at Creative Ventures, a deep tech venture capital firm investing in companies solving problems arising from three secular trends: labour shortage, aging population, and climate crisis. Prior to that, he helped grow a Hong Kong e-commerce startup from Series B fundraising till shortly before it sold to the largest TV network in Hong Kong.

Hampton holds a Bachelor's and Master's Degree in Manufacturing Engineering from the University of Cambridge and is a proud graduate of St. Paul's Co-educational College.



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Digital Assets & Family Wealth: Strategies for the Future

Zann Kwann

Managing Partner, Chief Investment Officer Revo Digital Family Office

Zann KWAN, CFA, is Managing Partner, Chief Investment Officer of Revo Digital Family Office, the first-of-its-kind platform in Asia that enables ultra-high net worth families to access and invest in digital assets via a proprietary wealth management platform. Kwan's role as a crypto-native and finance professional demonstrates the firm's continued commitment to serving the needs of both traditional and digital asset wealth holders through an ecosystem with access to digital assets and its peripheral products.

Kwan brings more than twenty-eight years of professional and financial services experience, in which twelve of those have been dedicated to the digital assets space. She co-founded Bitcoin Exchange Pte Ltd, the company behind the first public bitcoin machine and over-the-counter exchange in Asia in 2014, as well as virtual asset service provider Deodi Pte Ltd. Before her foray into digital assets, she was with GIC, one of the world's largest sovereign wealth funds. Prior to that, she spent a decade in New York City with Andersen, KPMG and a family office.

A sought-after thought leader in the digital asset industry, Kwan has been on the board of ACCESS for more than a decade. ACCESS is the leading blockchain and cryptocurrency industry association in Asia. She is also a board member of CFA Society of Singapore. Kwan is one of the first finance and accounting-trained entrepreneurs in the cryptocurrency space and has played an instrumental role in the development of tax regulations on digital tokens in Singapore, advising IRAS, Singapore's tax authority, in the nascent years. She is also part of the ACCESS consultation group to formulate the code of practice for the cryptocurrency industry in Singapore.

She was dubbed the "Crypto Queen" by Accounting and Business magazine by ACCA in 2019 for her contribution to the space, and is frequently interviewed by Bloomberg, Reuters, Nikkei, and Channel News Asia.



10th October 09:00 - 09:40

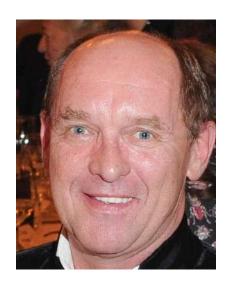
Panel Discussion:

The Future Family Office: Structure, Scale, & Stewardship

Nishtha Asthana

Financial Journalist

Nishtha is the founder of a Singapore-based Digital Marketing and Financial Content Creation firm, specialising in helping businesses build strong organic social media presence and impactful brand identities. With expertise in content marketing, paid and earned media campaigns, and search engine optimisation, she empowers clients to enhance their visibility and engagement. As an independent contributor, Nishtha also creates editorial content for leading Asian media platforms such as AsianInvestor, FinanceAsia, CorporateTreasurer, and CampaignAsia. Her work involves engaging with industry leaders, including asset owners, regulators, C-suite executives, and financial institutions. She also collaborates closely with single family offices and ultra-high-net-worth individuals across Asia, bringing their stories and investment strategies to the forefront. Previously, Nishtha spent over 15 years at Citibank Capital Markets, where she gained extensive experience in Sales and Trading, Product Development, High-Frequency Content Creation, Corporate Communications, and Public Relations. Driven by a passion for people, communications, and the transformative power of data and disruptive technologies, Nishtha is dedicated to helping organizations unlock their full potential and thrive in an ever-evolving landscape.



H.S.H. Carl-Eduard, Prince of Bismarck

CEC

Bismarck Family Office

H.S.H. Carl-Eduard, Prince of Bismarck is a former member of the German Bundestag and now works as a global consultant across North America, Latin America, Europe, and the Middle East.

10th October 10:30 - 11:10

Panel Discussion:

Real Estate Strategies for Family Offices



10th October 11:00 - 11:40

Scaling Impact: How to Drive Meaningful Change Through Investment

Eric Ng
CEO
Happiness Capital

Eric setup Happiness Capital, the global venture capital arm of the Lee Kum Kee Group with the mission to create global impact and make the world a happier place. The investment portfolio covers US, UK, Europe, Israel, Japan, mainland China and Hong Kong, from seed to growth stage. Environment (both Earth and Space), Sustainable Food Systems, Health and Trust are the main investment areas. Happiness Capital is a Certified B Corp, which is not common among global Venture Capital firms. He is a member of the Policy Research Committee of the Financial Services Development Council HK, a board member of the HKBAN, and also a board member of Hong Kong Venture Capital and Private Equity Association.

Prior to joining the Lee Kum Kee Group, Eric co-founded AGENDA in 2000 and grew it to the largest independent digital marketing agency in Asia, which was acquired by WPP in 2008. Stayed with WPP after the acquisition as the Chief Client Officer (Asia Pacific) of the WPP Wunderman network. Eric's first venture was an Al cancer diagnostic and treatment planning startup in the UK and US in 1994, which was acquired. He was with Cap Gemini US, a global consulting group, as Director of e- Business in 1997-2000 to help Fortune 500 companies on digital innovations. Eric was an Al research scientist and university lecturer in the UK in early 90s.



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Scaling Impact: How to Drive Meaningful Change Through Investment

Jack Hon Director HCL Capital

Jack Hon founded HCL Capital in 2012, a family office representing a Malaysian family, with investments focusing on alternatives, listed securities and direct deals in healthcare, resources and real estate. Jack has extensive experience in derivatives and structured investments. He is also a second generation member of the family, whose primary business is in palm oil plantation and milling, wood products and property development in Malaysia. Jack spent 7 years at JPMorgan in London and Hong Kong working in a variety of roles, including securitisation origination in their London Debt Capital Markets, interest rate derivatives structuring and equity derivatives sales. He has also had short stints at Coventry Capital, a boutique life settlements solutions and fund provider, and UBS' Hong Kong equity derivatives unit covering South East Asia institutional investors.

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