

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends,

The world is in flux. It is filled with heat as global warming is haunting us, warned by the young lady Greta Thunberg, representing the concerns of Generation Z. It is also full of anger and frustration, signified by social unrest across the continents. Nor is a prosperous and peaceful city like Hong Kong spared from such disturbances. Populism and political polarization is the norm in many countries. In geopolitics, bilateral relationships replace multilateral relationships. Artificial Intelligence and technological innovation is causing and will cause more disruption in different aspects. With this backdrop, we are leading towards a new decade of uncertainty.

In 2019, China celebrated its 70th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China and is determined to stay on the path of peaceful development and continue the opening-up policy. Its success is not just rising as the number-two economy in the world, but more on eradicating absolute poverty and on creating balanced economic growth and social justice within the country.



Meeting with Mr. Tung Chee-hwa, Vice Chairman of CPPCC and first Chief Executive of the HKSAR

However, the trade-conflict between China and the U.S., in fact interpreted as rivalry on all fronts, is hindering the economic growth of both countries and is disrupting the globe as a whole. Though a "phase one trade deal" was signed in January 2020, people are cautious of what could be the next move of these two giants. Brexit is now more certain to be completed. And after the U.K.'s exit from the EU, will the body continue to operate as before? Instability in the Middle-East adds to the worry of global disorder.

Despite the disturbances, Hong Kong's fundamentals and strength remains. Hong Kong is ranked world no. 1 for its financial system (World Economic Forum: Global Competitiveness Report 2019), the world's freest economy (Heritage Foundation), and tops the global IPO market in 2019. It is also ranked as Asia's no. 2 and world no. 8 for judicial independence (World Economic Forum: Global Competitiveness

Report 2019); Asia's no. 2 and world no. 11 for rule of law (The World Bank Group: Worldwide Governance Indicators); world no. 3 for human freedom (Cato Institute, Fraser Institute, and Liberales Institute of the Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom: The Human Freedom Index 2018).

Opportunities are open for those who look for it and work on it. Subsequent to the promulgation of "Outline Development Plan for the Greater Bay Area (GBA)" on 18 February 2019, in March the Chinese Government introduced the eight policy measures for taking forward the development of the GBA. These measures facilitated Hong Kong residents to develop, work and reside in the Mainland cities of the GBA, as well as strengthened the flow of people and goods within the GBA. In November, another sixteen policy measures were promulgated which would further benefit Hong Kong people and facilitated the development of various sectors in the GBA. The GBA is a vibrant city cluster that collectively represents a vibrant economic force of over 71 million people, with a GDP of more than US\$1.6 trillion. We are hopeful that Hong Kong will continue to excel with its core competence under "one country, two systems", enjoying the dual advantages of being part of China, while maintaining its global outlook and institutional advantages.



Luncheon hosted by the Foundation's Trustee Dr. Adrian Cheng

Strengthen Communication and Build New Connection

The Better Hong Kong Foundation (“the Foundation”) spares no effort to strengthen communication with our counterparts as well as to build new connections. In August, led by the Executive Committee Chairman Mr. Ronnie Chan, the Foundation organized the first delegation to Beijing with Trustee Tan Sri David Chiu and 15 Council members participating. The delegation met with senior officials from the Central Government and renowned experts in economic, technology and media fields. Members could have a better understanding on the national policy towards Hong Kong while our views on the role of Hong Kong and its development were shared. Riding on the success of the delegation to Russia last year, the Foundation organized a delegation to Turkey, another significant location under the Belt & Road Initiative, in September. Led by Mr. Ronnie Chan, with the participation of 14 Council members, the delegation visited Istanbul and Ankara. The trip enriched the delegates’ knowledge of Turkey’s economic and social development as well as investment opportunities. A solid foundation and friendship was built under the auspicious hospitality we received from our Turkish counterparts.

In October, the Foundation initiated a plenary session entitled “Sustaining Globalization – the Chinese Position” at the 12th World Policy Conference in Marrakesh, Morocco.



The Foundation’s Delegation to Turkey

It was moderated by the Foundation’s Executive Committee Chairman Mr. Ronnie Chan, and Mr. Leung Chun-ying, Vice Chairman of Chinese People’s Political Consultative Conference (“CPPCC”) and former Chief Executive of the HKSAR was one of the speakers at the session. We hope that people could understand better China’s policy of peaceful development and its role in sustaining globalization. The Foundation also supported the International Forum on the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area in October, jointly organized by the HKSAR Government and the Office of the Commissioner of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (“the Commissioner’s Office”). Prominent speakers from local, mainland China and overseas gathered and

exchanged views on building a platform for win-win cooperation.

The Foundation encourages views exchanges and experience sharing. In the past years, we have received many overseas visitors to Hong Kong. It is especially important in the past few months, for visitors to see and to hear in Hong Kong and from people from different parts of the society, to gain a more comprehensive understanding of the situation. The Foundation received former U.S. Senator Mark Kirk, staffers from the U.S. Congress, a group of Jewish American leaders and the President of a Polish think tank. In November, the Foundation hosted a luncheon for China’s Ambassador to Belgium Mr. Cao Zhongming and Ambassador to Vietnam Mr. Xiong Bo during their visit to Hong Kong. The Foundation’s members were able to learn more about the two countries’ social and economic development as well as investment environment from the Ambassadors. In Hong Kong, we were honored to have discussion with senior officials including Mr. Tung Chee-hwa, Vice Chairman of CPPCC and first Chief Executive of the HKSAR, Mr. Paul Chan, Financial Secretary and Mr. Edward Yau, Secretary for Commerce and Economic on Hong Kong’s future development.



The Foundation’s Delegation to Beijing

Broaden Horizon and Embrace New Opportunities

The 13th Hong Kong Cup Diplomatic Knowledge Contest that the Foundation co-organized with the Commissioner's Office and the Hong Kong Education Bureau was successfully concluded in May. The contest was organized in the hope of equipping our youngsters with knowledge of international affairs and China's foreign policy, to broaden their global vision and perspective. It is encouraging for Hong Kong people to learn of the recent appointment of five young Hong Kong civil servants, under the recommendation of the Central Government, taking up positions in the United Nations ("UN") for two years. The UN posting is a breakthrough and an invaluable opportunity for our young people to show their talents in the international arena.

This year's China Urban Competitiveness Report, published annually by the Chinese Academy of Social Science with the support of the Foundation, reinforced the importance of Hong Kong to deepening economic and social integration with the Mainland, particularly the GBA, for the sake of enhancing the overall competitiveness of our city. Beside the GBA, there are also great opportunities for Hong Kong and Shanghai to work together



The 12th World Policy Conference

under the country's reform and opening-up policy. Jointly organized by the Foundation, Shanghai Academy of Social Science and Shanghai CPPCC for fifteen consecutive years, the Shanghai Forum this year invited experts from Hong Kong and Shanghai to conduct in-depth discussions on three key areas for cooperation, namely maritime and aviation, financial services and property development.

Be United and Strive for Brighter Future

The world is going through a period of the most profound change that we have seen in the past century. Leaders around

the world and in Hong Kong should have the courage and wisdom to take on the challenges and to turn them into opportunity for better life for people and a better world for our future generation. We are grateful to people who have contributed their constructive effort and positive energy in advancing the society and making the world with hope and love. Among them, I have to thank the unflinching support and trust from our Trustees, members, partners and friends. This year, we are pleased to have Mr. Bosco Law, Deputy Chairman & CEO of Laws Fashion Group Ltd joining us as our Council Member. We stay hopeful for a better Hong Kong and a better world. Let's put our effort together to make our hope a reality.

Karen TANG

Executive Director
The Better Hong Kong Foundation



Meeting with Mr. Paul Chan, Financial Secretary of the HKSAR Government

DELEGATIONS & EXCHANGE

The Foundation spares no effort in promoting dialogue and understanding between Hong Kong, mainland China and the global community. We believe that through mutual discussion and first-hand experience, we can build better international understanding between the East and the West.

Delegation to Beijing

The Foundation organized its first delegation to Beijing on 8 – 9 August 2019. Led by the Foundation's Executive Committee Chairman Mr. Ronnie Chan, the delegation met with senior Central Government officials and thought leaders to understand more about the national policy on Hong Kong.



Mr. Huang Liuquan (front row, middle), Deputy Director-General, Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council hosted a dinner for the delegation

List of Delegates:

- **Mr. Ronnie CHAN (Leader)**
Executive Committee Chairman, The Better Hong Kong Foundation / Chairman, Hang Lung Properties Ltd
- **Tan Sri Dato' David CHIU**
Trustee, The Better Hong Kong Foundation / Chairman, Far East Consortium International Ltd
- **Mr. Andrew YAO**
Corporate Sponsor, The Better Hong Kong Foundation / Chairman, Hong Kong Shanghai Alliance Holdings Ltd
- **Dr. Roy CHUNG**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong Foundation / Co-founder & Non-Executive Director, Techtronic Industries Co Ltd
- **Mr. Thomas WOO**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong Foundation / Executive Managing Director & General Manager, Hsin Kuang Restaurant (Holdings) Ltd
- **Mr. Joseph YU**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong Foundation / Chairman, Roseville Group of Companies
- **Mr. Sebastian MAN**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong Foundation / Chairman & CEO, Chung Mei International Holdings Ltd
- **Mr. Samson CHAN**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong Foundation / Chairman & CEO, Genesis Industries Ltd
- **Mr. Tommy HUI**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong Foundation / Executive Director, Hengan International Group Co Ltd
- **Mr. Bryant LU**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong Foundation / Vice Chairman, Ronald Lu & Partners (Hong Kong) Ltd
- **Mr. Dominic PANG**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong Foundation / Chairman, Asia Allied Infrastructure Holdings Ltd
- **Mr. Andrew YU**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong Foundation / Director, Yue Hwa Chinese Products Emporium Ltd
- **Ms. Alice AU**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong Foundation / Partner, Spencer Stuart
- **Mr. Allen SHI**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong Foundation / Chairman, Brilliant Group Ltd
- **Dr. ZHONG Xiaofeng**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong Foundation / Chief Executive Officer, North Asia, Amundi Hong Kong Ltd
- **Ms. Clara CHAN**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong Foundation / Vice Chairman & Chief Executive Officer, Lee Kee Holdings Ltd
- **Ms. Karen TANG**
Executive Director, The Better Hong Kong Foundation
- **Mr. Adriel CHAN**
Executive Director, Hang Lung Properties Ltd

Organizations and People Visited:

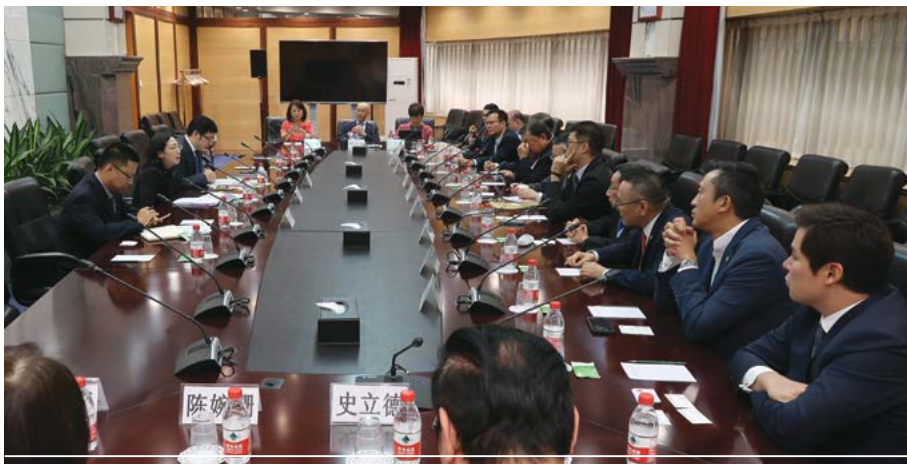
- Ms. Cheng Lihua, Vice Minister, Ministry of Finance
- Mr. Huang Liuquan, Deputy Director-General, Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Office of the HKSAR Government in Beijing
- The People’s Bank of China



Vice Minister of Finance Ms. Cheng Lihua (8th right) exchanged views with the delegation



Mr. John Leung (front row, 4th right), Director of the Office of the HKSAR Government in Beijing hosted a luncheon for the delegation



The delegation visited the People’s Bank of China and met with Ms. Ai Ming, Director of IMF Division of the International Department

- China Center for International Economic Exchanges
- Dr. Zhu Min, Former Deputy Managing Director, International Monetary Fund and Chairman, National Institute of Financial Research, Tsinghua University
- Dr. Lee Kai-fu, Chairman and CEO, Sinovation Ventures
- Mr. Wang Xiangwei, Former Editor-in-Chief, South China Morning Post



Meeting with Ms. Chen Wenling (front row, middle), Chief Economist of the China Center for International Economic Exchanges



Dr. Zhu Min (3rd left) shared his views with the delegation



Meeting with Ms. Hou Yue (3rd left), Deputy Director-General of the Department of Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan Affairs at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs



Dr. Lee Kai-fu (front row, middle) hosted a dinner for the delegation

Delegation to Turkey

The Foundation organized its first delegation to Turkey from 22 to 28 September 2019, visiting Istanbul and Ankara. Led by the Foundation's Executive Committee Chairman Mr. Ronnie Chan, the delegation was able to meet with senior government officials and local business leaders to understand more about the investment opportunities and economic development in Turkey.



Half-day Conference I hosted by Mrs. Emine Sabanci Kamisli (front row, 5th left)

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- **Dr. Roy CHUNG**
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Executive Director, Techtronic Industries
Co Ltd
- **Mr. Philip MA**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong
Foundation / Chairman & CEO, The
Sincere Co Ltd
- **Ms. Diana CHOU**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong
Foundation / Founder & Chairman,
Dragon General Aviation Group
- **Ms. Juliana LAM**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong
Foundation / Managing Director, Julius
Industries Ltd
- **Mr. Samson CHAN**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong
Foundation / Chairman & CEO, Genesis
Industries Ltd
- **Mr. CHAN Yim Kwong**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong
Foundation / Senior Consultant, AXA
China Region Insurance Co Ltd
- **Dr. Frankie YEUNG**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong
Foundation / Senior District Director,
AIA International Ltd
- **Mr. John LEE**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong
Foundation / Vice Chairman & Co-Head
of Greater China, Asia Corporate Client
Solutions, UBS AG
- **Mr. Dominic PANG**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong
Foundation / Chairman, Asia Allied
Infrastructure Holdings Ltd
- **Mr. Dario PONG**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong
Foundation / Managing Director, Ferro
Resources Ltd
- **Ms. Alice AU**
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Foundation / Partner, Spencer Stuart
- **Dr. ZHONG Xiaofeng**
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North Asia, Amundi Hong Kong Ltd
- **Ms. Clara CHAN**
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Foundation / Vice Chairman & Chief
Executive Officer, Lee Kee Holdings Ltd
- **Mr. Bosco LAW**
Council Member, The Better Hong Kong
Foundation / Deputy Chairman & CEO,
Laws Fashion Group Ltd
- **Ms. Karen TANG**
Executive Director,
The Better Hong Kong Foundation
- **Mr. Adriel CHAN**
Executive Director,
Hang Lung Properties Ltd
- **Mrs. Mimi CHAN**
Chairman, Milagros Corporation Ltd
- **Mr. Vincent WOO**
Director, ZhenHub
- **Mr. Bahadir YAHYAGIL**
Managing Director, Midfield Hong Kong
Ltd



Consul General Cui Wei (front row, 4th right) met with the delegation

Organizations and Places Visited:

Istanbul

- Mr. Mehmet Nuri Ersoy, Minister of Culture and Tourism
- Mr. Cui Wei, Consul General, Consulate General of the PRC in Istanbul
- Half-day Conference I hosted by Mrs. Emine Sabanci Kamisli, Vice Chairperson of Esas Holding - speakers including Mr. Zafer Sonmez, Managing Director of Turkey Wealth Fund, Mr. Ahmet Burak Daglioglu, Vice President of Investment Office of the Presidency of Turkey, Mr. Ahmet Cuneyt Selcuk, Chief Project Director of Investment Office of the Presidency of Turkey



Meeting with Mr. Mehmet Nuri Ersoy, Minister of Culture and Tourism



Sharing by Dr. Osman Cevdet Akcay



Mr. Ronnie Chan gave a speech at the Seminar on China-Turkey Economic and Cultural Cooperation organized by the Consulate General of the PRC in Istanbul

- Half-day Conference II hosted by Mrs. Arzuhan Dogan Yalcindag, Board Member of Dogan Group - speakers including Mr. Murat Ozdemir, Country Advisor of Investment Office of the Presidency of Turkey, Mr. Li Ruojie, General Manager of Bank of China Turkey A.S., Ms. Bilge Gerek, Finance Director of Li & Fung
- Mrs. Hazan Revna Demiroren, Demiroren Holding
- Prof. Ilber Ortayli, Former Director, Topkapi Palace Museum
- Mrs. Ece Kurdoglu, President, Arbeta Tourism Agency
- Mr. Korhan Kurdoglu, Vice Chairman, TAB Food Investments
- Mr. Ahmet Gunestekin, Artist
- Dr. Osman Cevdet Akcay, Economist



Mrs. Arzuhan Dogan Yalcindag (front row, middle) hosted the Half-day Conference II and a networking luncheon for the delegation



Mr. Dario Pong (1st right) participated in the panel discussion at the Half-day Conference II



Dinner hosted by Mrs. Ece Kurdoglu and Mr. Korhan Kurdoglu for the delegation



Visited the media center of Demiroren Holding

- Eisenhower Fellowships in Turkey
- Topkapi Palace Museum
- Dolmabahce Palace
- Hagia Sophia Museum
- Maritime Museum
- Basilica Cistern
- Grand Bazaar
- Galata Mevlevihanesi and Whirling Dervishes Show



Exchanged views with Eisenhower Fellowships in Turkey

Ankara

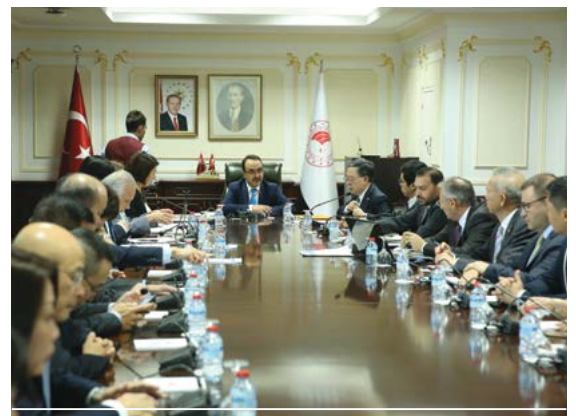
- Ambassador Deng Li, Embassy of the PRC in Turkey
- Mr. Riza Tuna Turagay, Deputy Minister of Trade
- Mr. Akif Ozkaldi, Vice Minister of Agriculture and Forestry
- Anitkabir



Ambassador Deng Li (front row, 7th right) received the delegation at the Chinese Embassy



Meeting with Mr. Riza Tuna Turagay (9th right), Deputy Minister of Trade



Meeting with Mr. Akif Ozkaldi (middle), Vice Minister of Agriculture and Forestry



PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS

▶ ISTANBUL



At Topkapi Palace Museum

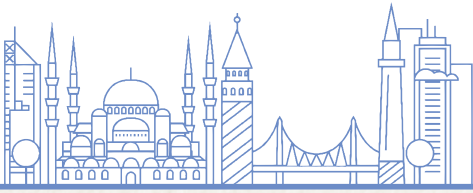


Special night tour of Hagia Spohia Museum

Private visit to Topkapi Palace Museum hosted by Prof. Ilber Ortayli



Enjoyed Turkish cuisine and beautiful scenery



Boat tour on the Bosphorus



Visited Galata Mevlevihanesi and enjoyed Whirling Dervishes



Demonstration of traditional Turkish handmade carpet



At Maritime Museum



At Grand Bazaar



At Basilica Cistern



At Dolmabache Palace



Played lucky roulette at the media center

▶ ANKARA



At Anitkabr



At the Chinese Embassy in Ankara

SPEAKING EVENTS

The Foundation hosts and participates in various speaking events where old and new friends, local and overseas, meet, exchange views and share ideas. We also work with different organizations to invite prominent overseas speakers to address the Hong Kong community from time to time.

Annual Spring Luncheon for Consuls General & Chairmen of International Chambers of Commerce in Hong Kong



Mr. Norman Chan (6th left) and members of the Foundation

To celebrate and share our good wishes for the New Year, the Foundation organizes a Spring Luncheon for the Foundation's members, Consuls General and chairmen of international chambers

of commerce in Hong Kong at the beginning of each Chinese New Year. On 20 February 2019, the Foundation's Executive Committee Chairman Mr. Ronnie Chan together with Trustee Mr. Victor Cha

as well as the Foundation's members hosted the luncheon for around 50 guests. The Foundation was honored to have invited Mr. Norman Chan to give a speech entitled "Why Do We Need Smart Banking?" at the luncheon.

The Foundation members attending the luncheon included Trustee Dr. Adrian Cheng's representative Mr. Christopher Sommers; Corporate Sponsors Mr. Andrew Yao and representative Mr. Henry Shi; Council Members Mr. Matthew Lam, Dr. Roy Chung, Mr. Thomas Woo, Mr. Joseph Yu, Ms. Diana Chou, Mr. Sebastian Man, Ms. Juliana Lam, Dr. Raymond Leung, Mr. Samson Chan, Mr. Chan Yim-kwong, Mr. Bryant Lu, Mr. Andrew Yu, Ms. Alice Au, Mr. Adam Kwok, Ms. Clara Chan; Executive Director Ms. Karen Tang; and guests Mrs. Ingrid Kwok and Mr. Fred Teng.

Guests Included:

Commissioner's Office of China's Ministry of Foreign Affairs in the HKSAR

- **Mr. YANG Yirui**
Deputy Commissioner
- **Mr. ZHANG Yongchao**
Deputy Director, Policy Research Department

Consulate General in Hong Kong

- **Ms. Michaela BROWNING**
Consul General, Consulate General of Australia
- **Mrs. Monika MUELLER-FEMBECK**
Consul General, Consulate General of Austria

- **Mr. Gustavo Horacio Luis FAZZARI**
Consul General, Consulate General of Argentina
- **Mr. Mehdi HASAN**
Consul General, Consulate General of Bangladesh
- **Ms. Michele DENEFFE**
Consul General, Consulate General of Belgium
- **Mrs. Esther BLYTHE**
Deputy Head of Mission, British Consulate General
- **Mr. Jeff NANKIVELL**
Consul General, Consulate General of Canada

- **Mr. Yobani VELASQUEZ QUINTERO**
Consul General, Consulate General of Colombia
- **Mr. Jan JUCHELKA**
Consul General, Consulate General of the Czech Republic
- **Mr. Ahmed Ezzat ABDELHAKIM**
Consul General, Consulate General of Egypt
- **Ms. Eva Valle LAGARES**
Head of Trade Section, European Union
- **Mrs. Mrinalini SRIVASTAVA**
Acting Consul General, Consulate General of India

- **Mr. Mandala S PURBA**
Acting Consul General, Consulate General of Indonesia
- **Mr. Reza ESMKHANI**
Consul, Consulate General of Iran
- **Mr. David COSTELLO**
Consul General, Consulate General of Ireland
- **Mrs. Ahuva SPIELER**
Consul General, Consulate General of Israel
- **Mr. Clemente CONTESTABILE**
Consul General, Consulate General of Italy
- **Mr. KIM Weon Jin**
Consul General, Consulate General of the Republic of Korea
- **Mr. Haider ABULHASAN**
Consul, Consulate General of the State of Kuwait
- **Miss Grace TEH**
Acting Consul General, Consulate General of Malaysia
- **Mr. Saul Zambrano BARAJAS**
Deputy Consul General, Consulate General of Mexico

- **Mrs. Myat Thuzar Than**
Consul General, Consulate General of Myanmar
- **Mrs. Annemieke RUIGROK**
Consul General, Consulate General of the Kingdom of the Netherlands
- **Mr. Carl WORKER**
Consul General, Consulate General of New Zealand
- **Mr. Nart Augustine KOLO**
Consul General, Consulate General of Nigeria
- **Mr. Sergio Manuel AVILA TRAVERSO**
Consul General, Consulate General of Peru

- **Mr. Antonio A MORALES**
Consul General, Consulate General of the Philippines
- **Mr. Boris EZDRIN**
Vice Consul, Consulate General of Russian Federation
- **Mr. Leon NAIDOO**
Consul (Political/Economic), Consulate General of South Africa
- **Ms. FOO Teow Lee**
Consul General, Consulate General of Singapore
- **Mrs. Helena STORM**
Consul General, Consulate General of Sweden



Speech by Mr. Norman Chan



[L to R] Mr. Reto Renggli, Mr. Kim Weon-jin, Mr. Haider Abulhasan, Mr. Victor Cha, Mr. Mandala S Purba, Mr. Henry Shi, Ms. Karen Tang, Mr. Norman Chan, Mr. Luca Cico and Mr. Sergio Manuel Avila Traverso



[L to R] Mr. Victor Cha, Deputy Commissioner Yang Yirui, Mr. Norman Chan, Mr. Andrew Seaton and Mr. Ronnie Chan

- **Mr. Reto RENGGLI**
Consul General, Consulate General of Switzerland
- **Mr. Asi MAMANEE**
Consul General, Consulate General of Thailand
- **Mr. Korhan KEMIK**
Consul General, Consulate General of Turkey
- **Mr. TRAN Thanh Huan**
Consul General, Consulate General of Vietnam



[L to R] Mr. Norman Chan, Ms. Foo Teow Lee, Mr. Reto Renggli, Mr. Korhan Kemik and Mr. Victor Cha

International Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong

- **Mr. Wilhelm BRAUNER**
Chairman, Austrian Chamber of Commerce
- **Ms. Jonna SEPPANEN**
Chairman, Finnish Chamber of Commerce
- **Mr. Kristian ODEBIER**
Chairman, Swedish Chamber of Commerce
- **Mr. Peter BURNETT**
Chairman, British Chamber of Commerce
- **Ms. Sophie LECONTE**
Executive Director, French Chamber of Commerce & Industry
- **Mr. Andrew SEATON**
Executive Director, British Chamber of Commerce
- **Mr. Wolfgang NIEDERMARK**
Chief Representative, German Chamber of Commerce
- **Mrs. Muriel MOORREES**
General Manager, Dutch Chamber of Commerce
- **Mr. Luca CICO**
President, Italian Chamber of Commerce
- **Mr. Jens Erik OLSEN**
Executive Committee Member, European Chamber of Commerce
- **Prof. CHAN Kei Bui**
Exco Member, Singapore Chamber of Commerce



Mrs. Muriel Moorrees and Ms. Diana Chou



[L to R] Mr. Jimmy Kwok, Ms. Karen Tang, Mrs. Ahuva Spieler and Dr. Roy Chung



[L to R] Mr. Chan Yim-kwong, Mr. Boris Ezdrin, Mr. Samson Chan and Mr. Mehdi Hasan



Local Chamber of Commerce

- **Mr. Jimmy KWOK**
Chairman, Federation of Hong Kong Industries

(L to R) Mr. Matthew Lam, Ms. Clara Chan, Mr. Ronnie Chan, Ms. Juliana Lam, Ms. Alice Au and Dr. Roy Chung



(L to R) Ms. Juliana Lam, Mr. Reza Esmkhani, Mr. Haider Abulhasan, Mr. Thomas Woo, Mr. Mandala S Purba, Mr. Samson Chan and Mr. Mehdi Hasan



(L to R) Mr. Andrew Yu, Prof. Chan Kei-bui and Dr. Raymond Leung



(L to R) Mr. Adam Kwok, Ms. Michaela Browning and Mrs. Ingrid Kwok



(L to R) Mr. Sergio Manuel Avila Traverso, Mr. Luca Cico, Mr. Carl Worker, Ms. Karen Tang and Mr. Fred Teng

With the Vice Chairman of Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference and first Chief Executive of the HKSAR

On 12 June 2019, the Foundation was honored to have invited Mr. Tung Chee-hwa, Vice Chairman of Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference and first Chief Executive of the HKSAR to attend a luncheon where he shared his views on future developments of our nation and Hong Kong as well as the Sino-U.S. relationship. Chaired by the Foundation's Executive Committee Chairman Mr. Ronnie Chan, Trustees Dr. Sumet Jiaravanon's representative Ms. Li Xuhua and Dr. Adrian Cheng's representative Dr. Wendy Hong; Corporate Sponsor Dr. Lin Yong; Council Members Mr. Oscar Chow, Mr. Thomas Woo, Mr. Joseph Yu, Mr. Philip Ma, Ms. Juliana Lam, Dr. Raymond Leung,

Mr. Samson Chan, Mr. Chan Yim-kwong, Dr. Frankie Yeung, Mr. John Lee, Mr. Lee Yuen-hong, Mr. Dominic Pang and

Mr. Allen Shi; Executive Director Ms. Karen Tang; and guests Ms. Vivien Tam and Mr. Fred Teng also joined the luncheon.



Mr. Tung Chee-hwa (middle) shared his views with the Foundation members

With the Financial Secretary of the HKSAR Government

On 6 and 7 May 2019, the Financial Secretary Mr. Paul Chan hosted dinners for members of the Foundation at his residence. At the dinners, members were able to learn more about Mr. Chan's insights and vision on our city's future. Members attending the dinner included Trustees Mr. Victor Cha, Dr. Peter Lam, Tan Sri Dato' David Chiu and

Dr. Sumet Jiaravanon's representative Ms. Li Xuhua; Corporate Sponsors Mr. Andrew Yao and Dr. Lin Yong; Council Members Mr. Matthew Lam, Ms. Winnie Chiu, Mr. Thomas Woo, Ms. Diana Chou, Mr. Philip Ma, Mr. Sebastian Man, Dr. Raymond Leung, Mr. Samson Chan, Mr. Chan Yim-kwong, Dr. Frankie Yeung, Mr. Lee Yuen-hong,

Mr. Bryant Lu, Mr. Dominic Pang, Mr. Andrew Yu, Ms. Rosana Wong, Dr. Zhong Xiaofeng and Ms. Clara Chan; and Executive Director Ms. Karen Tang. Mrs. Frieda Chan and Ms. Apple Ho, Political Assistant to Financial Secretary also joined the dinners.



Two dinners were hosted by Mr. Paul Chan for the Foundation members

With the Deputy Commissioner of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in the HKSAR

On 14 June 2019, the Foundation was honored to have invited Mr. Song Ru'an, Deputy Commissioner of the Commissioner's Office of Ministry of Foreign Affairs in the HKSAR to share his insights on current international environment, China's foreign policy as well

as opportunities and challenges. Chaired by the Foundation's Executive Committee Chairman Mr. Ronnie Chan, members including Trustees Dr. Sumet Jiaravanon's representative Ms. Li Xuhua and Dr. Adrian Cheng's representative Dr. Wendy Hong; Council Members Mr. Oscar Chow,

Dr. Roy Chung, Mr. Joseph Yu, Mr. Philip Ma, Mr. Sebastian Man, Mr. Samson Chan, Mr. Chan Yim-kwong, Mr. Dario Pong, Ms. Alice Au, Mr. Adam Kwok, Mr. Allen Shi and Ms. Clara Chan; Executive Director Ms. Karen Tang; and guests Mr. Li Hua and Ms. Yu Jing joined the luncheon.



Deputy Commissioner Song Ru'an (front row, middle) shared his views on current international affairs with the Foundation members

With the Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development of the HKSAR Government

On 29 April 2019, the Foundation was pleased to have invited Mr. Edward Yau, Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development to attend a luncheon where Mr. Yau shared his views on the future economic development of Hong Kong, and the opportunities and challenges facing the city. Chaired by the Foundation's Executive Committee Chairman Mr. Ronnie Chan, Trustees Dr. Sumet Jiaravanon's representative Ms. Li Xuhua and Dr. Adrian Cheng's representative Dr. Wendy Hong; Council Members Mr. Oscar Chow, Ms. Winnie Ng, Mr. Philip Ma, Ms. Juliana Lam, Dr. Raymond Leung, Mr. Chan Yim-kwong, Dr. Frankie Yeung, Ms. Alice Au, Mr. Adam Kwok, Dr. Zhong Xiaofeng and Ms. Clara Chan; Executive Director Ms. Karen Tang; and guest Miss Eliza Lee joined the luncheon.



Mr. Edward Yau gave his thoughts on the future economic development of Hong Kong

With the Trustee of the Better Hong Kong Foundation

On 10 January 2019, the Foundation's Trustee, Executive Vice Chairman and General Manager of New World Development Co Ltd Dr. Adrian Cheng hosted a luncheon for the Foundation's members. At the luncheon, Dr. Cheng shared his views on the development and vision of the Greater Bay Area, and

exchanged views with the members. Chaired by the Foundation's Executive Committee Chairman Mr. Ronnie Chan, members joining the luncheon included Trustee Dr. Sumet Jiaravanon's representative Ms. Li Xuhua; Council Members Ms. Winnie Chiu, Mr. Oscar Chow, Dr. Roy Chung, Mr. Thomas Woo,

Ms. Winnie Ng, Mr. Joseph Yu, Ms. Diana Chou, Ms. Juliana Lam, Dr. Raymond Leung, Mr. Samson Chan, Mr. Chan Yim-kwong, Dr. Frankie Yeung, Mr. Anson Chan, Mr. Bryant Lu, Mr. Dario Pong, Mr. Allen Shi and Ms. Clara Chan; and Executive Director Ms. Karen Tang.



Dr. Adrian Cheng (middle) shared his views on the development of Greater Bay Area

With the Vice Chairman Greater China, Credit Suisse Private Banking Asia Pacific

On 5 March 2019, the Foundation was pleased to have invited Dr. Dong Tao, Vice Chairman Greater China of Credit Suisse Private Banking Asia Pacific to attend a luncheon where Dr. Tao shared his insights on the global economic outlook, particularly on mainland China and Hong Kong. Chaired by the Foundation's Executive Committee Chairman Mr. Ronnie Chan, Trustee Dr. Sumet Jiaravanon's representative Ms. Li Xuhua; Council Members Mr. Matthew Lam, Dr. Roy Chung, Mr. Joseph Yu, Mr. Philip Ma, Ms. Diana Chou, Mr. Sebastian Man, Dr. Raymond Leung, Mr. Bryant Lu, Ms. Alice Au, Mr. Allen Shi and Ms. Clara Chan; Executive Director Ms. Karen Tang and guests Dr. Dennis Ng, Ms. Judy Yu, Ms. Daphne Li and Mr. Ng Yiu-hong joined the luncheon.



Dr. Dong Tao shared his insights on the global economic outlook

With the Former Head of the Central Policy Unit of the HKSAR Government

On 1 August 2019, the Foundation was pleased to have invited Mr. Shiu Sin-por, former Head of the Central Policy Unit of the HKSAR Government and Executive Director of the New Paradigm Foundation to attend a dinner where Mr. Shiu shared his views on Hong Kong's current political and social environment. Chaired by the Foundation's Executive Committee Chairman Mr. Ronnie Chan, Trustees Dr. Sumet Jiaravanon's representative Ms. Li Xuhua and Dr. Adrian Cheng's representative Dr. Wendy Hong; Council

Members Dr. Roy Chung, Mr. Thomas Woo, Ms. Winnie Ng, Mr. Joseph Yu, Mr. Philip Ma, Mr. Sebastian Man, Ms. Juliana Lam, Mr. Chan Yim-kwong, Dr. Frankie Yeung,

Mr. Lee Yuen-hong and Mr. Alex Yip; Executive Director Ms. Karen Tang; and guests Mr. Franklin Lam and Mr. Bosco Law joined the dinner.



Mr. Shiu Sin-por (5th left) shared his insights on current social affairs

With the Secretary of the Xiamen Municipal Party Committee

Mr. Hu Changsheng, Secretary of the Xiamen Municipal Party Committee led a delegation to Hong Kong in late May 2019. On 31 May 2019, the Foundation hosted a breakfast meeting for Mr. Hu and his team where views on Xiamen's future development as well as opportunities for further collaborations were exchanged.

Chaired by the Foundation's Executive Director Ms. Karen Tang, participants of the breakfast meeting included Executive Committee Chairman Mr. Ronnie Chan's representative Mr. Adriel Chan; Trustees Dr. Sumet Jiaravanon's representative Ms. Li Xuhua, Ms. Pansy Ho's representative Mr. Stanley Yuen and Dr. Adrian Cheng's

representative Dr. Wendy Hong; Corporate Sponsor's representative Ms. Mimzy Si; Council Members Dr. Roy Chung, Mr. Thomas Woo, Mr. John Lee, Mr. Lee Yuen-hong and Mr. Tommy Hui; and guests Dr. Dennis Ng, Mr. Moses Leung and Mr. Vincent Lam.



Secretary of the Xiamen Municipal Party Committee Mr. Hu Changsheng (front row, 5th right) led a delegation to Hong Kong and the Foundation's Executive Director Ms. Karen Tang (front row, 5th left) together with members and guests exchanged views with the delegation

With the Founder and Former President of the Heritage Foundation

Jointly presented by the Asia Society Hong Kong Center and the Better Hong Kong Foundation, Dr. Edwin Feulner, Founder and Former President of the Heritage Foundation gave a luncheon presentation on 29 January 2019. At the luncheon, Dr. Feulner examined the power of economic freedom and discussed the

remarkable achievements Hong Kong has made and what might lie ahead. The Foundation's Trustee Dr. Adrian Cheng's representative Ms. Jenny Tam; Corporate Sponsors Mr. Andrew Yao and representative Ms. Helen Zee; Council Members Mr. Joseph Yu, Ms. Diana Chou, Mr. Sebastian Man, Mr. Samson Chan,

Mr. Chan Yim-kwong, Dr. Zhong Xiaofeng; Executive Director Ms. Karen Tang; and invited guests Mr. Greg So, Mr. Franklin Lam, Mr. Kwok Kwok-chuen, Mr. Thomas Overton, Ms. Charmaine Lee, Mr. Chan Ka-kui, Mr. Andrew Au, Mr. Chris Leung and Mr. Teddy Ng attended the luncheon.



The Foundation's members and guests attended the luncheon

With Two Prominent Female Scientists from Israel

By the invitation of the Consulate General of Israel in Hong Kong, the Foundation hosted a speaking luncheon where two prominent female Israeli scientists, namely Prof. Mouna Maroun, Head of Department of Neurobiology at University of Haifa, and Prof. Michal Schwartz, Professorial Chair in Neuroimmunology at Weizmann Institute of Science, shared their views on "Neuroscience, Ageing and Immunity" on 30 May 2019. Chaired by the Foundation's Trustee Tan Sri Dato' David Chiu, members joining the luncheon included Trustee Dr. Adrian Cheng's representative Dr. Wendy Hong; Council Members Ms. Winnie Chiu, Dr. Roy Chung, Mr. Joseph Yu, Mr. Philip Ma, Ms. Juliana Lam, Mr. Samson Chan,

Mr. Chan Yim-kwong and Mr. Anson Chan; Executive Director Ms. Karen Tang; and guests Mr. Herman Hu, Mr. Vincent Lam and Miss Vivian Kong. Mrs. Ahuva Spieler,

Consul General of Israel in Hong Kong and her colleague Mr. Ariel Lenga also joined the luncheon.



Prof. Mouna Maroun (front row, 3rd right) and Prof. Michal Schwartz (front row, 2nd right) shared their wisdom with the Foundation's members and guests

With the Chief Executive on Policy Address

Mrs. Carrie Lam, Chief Executive of the HKSAR, delivered her Policy Address to the Legislative Council in October 2019. On 31 October 2019, Mrs. Lam attended the Joint Business Community Luncheon where she talked about the philosophy behind her Policy Address. The Foundation's Trustees Tan Sri Dato' David Chiu and Dr. Sumet Jiaravanon's representative Ms. Li Xuhua; Corporate Sponsor's representative Mr. Song Teng; Council Members Mr. Thomas Woo, Mr. Joseph Yu, Ms. Diana Chou, Mr. Samson Chan, Mr. Chan Yim-kwong, Dr. Frankie Yeung, Mr. Andrew Yu, Mr. Dominic Pang, Mr. Alex Yip, Ms. Rosana Wong and Mr. Bosco Law; Executive Director Ms. Karen Tang; and guests Prof. James Tang, Mr. Vincent Lam, Mr. Antony Hung, Mr. Xavier Wong, Mr. Joseph Lau, Ms. Louisa Lui, Ms. Tse Ning and Ms. Eunice Chiu attended the luncheon.



(Front row, L to R) Mr. Alex Yip, Prof. James Tang, Tan Sri Dato' David Chiu, Ms. Tse Ning, Dr. Frankie Yeung and Ms. Eunice Chiu; (Back row, L to R) Mr. Andrew Yu, Mr. Bosco Law, Mr. Dominic Pang, Ms. Louisa Lui, Mr. Joseph Lau, Ms. Diana Chou, Ms. Rosana Wong, Mr. Antony Hung, Mr. Samson Chan, Mr. Thomas Woo, Ms. Karen Tang, Mr. Joseph Yu, Mr. Song Teng, Ms. Li Xuhua, Mr. Xavier Wong and Mr. Chan Yim-kwong

With the Financial Secretary on the Budget Speech

The Financial Secretary Mr. Paul Chan delivered his 2019-2020 Budget Speech to the Legislative Council on 27 February 2019. On 19 March 2019, Mr. Chan attended the Joint Business Community Luncheon where he talked to the Hong Kong business community about his thoughts and insights behind the new Budget.

The Foundation's Trustees Dr. Sumet Jiaravanon's representative Ms. Li Xuhua; Corporate Sponsor's representatives Ms. Ji Qingyu and Ms. Helen Zee; Council Members Mr. Matthew Lam, Mr. Thomas Woo, Mr. Joseph Yu, Ms. Diana Chou, Mr. Sebastian Man, Dr. Raymond Leung, Mr. Samson Chan, Mr. Chan Yim-kwong,

Mr. John Lee, Mr. Tommy Hui, Mr. Andrew Yu, Ms. Rosana Wong and Ms. Clara Chan; Executive Director Ms. Karen Tang; and guests Ms. Cindy Chow, Ms. Yvonne Mak, Ms. Claudine Lee, Mr. Zenith Lin, Miss Sandy Yeung and Miss Jes Lam joined the luncheon.



(Front row, L to R) Ms. Clara Chan, Ms. Li Xuhua, Mr. Chan Yim-kwong, Mr. Joseph Yu, Dr. Raymond Leung and Mr. Matthew Lam; (Back row, L to R) Ms. Ji Qingyu, Ms. Claudine Lee, Ms. Cindy Chow, Miss Jes Lam, Ms. Rosana Wong, Mr. Zenith Lin, Mr. Samson Chan, Ms. Helen Zee, Mr. Andrew Yu, Ms. Diana Chou, Mr. John Lee, Ms. Karen Tang, Miss Sandy Yeung, Ms. Yvonne Mak, Mr. Tommy Hui and Mr. Sebastian Man

CONFERENCES & FORUMS

To foster discussion and exchange of views, the Foundation partners with prominent institutions to organize various conferences and forums where experts from Hong Kong, mainland China and overseas can engage through direct communication and deliberation.

Annual Forum in Shanghai – “China’s Reform and Opening Up: Role and Function of Shanghai and Hong Kong in a New Era”



Group photo with Vice Chairman of CPPCC Mr. Leung Chun-ying (front row, 6th left), Executive Committee Chairman of the Foundation Mr. Ronnie Chan (front row, 3rd right), Chairman of CPPCC Mr. Dong Yunhu (front row, 6th right), President of the SASS Dr. Zhang Daogen (front row, 3rd left), members of the Foundation, speakers and other guests



The Foundation’s Executive Committee Chairman Mr. Ronnie Chan gave an opening remark

The Foundation, together with the Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences (SASS) and Shanghai Chinese People’s Political Consultative Conference (CPPCC), organized the forum on “China’s Reform and Opening Up: Role and Function of Shanghai and Hong Kong in a New Era” on 15 November 2019 in Shanghai. It was the 15th annual forum that was jointly organized by the three organizations. The forum was supported by Shanghai International Economic Exchange Foundation, Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the Shanghai Municipal People’s Government, Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office in Shanghai of the HKSAR Government and Chinese Association of Hong Kong & Macao Studies.

The Chairman of the Shanghai CPPCC Mr. Dong Yunhu, President of the SASS Dr. Zhang Daogen together with the Foundation’s Executive Committee Chairman Mr. Ronnie Chan officiated at the opening ceremony. Speakers of the Keynote Session included Mr. Leung Chun-ying, Vice Chairman of CPPCC and former Chief Executive of HKSAR; Mr. Xu Kunlin, Vice Mayor of Shanghai; Mr. Xu Ze, President of Chinese Association of Hong Kong & Macao Studies; Miss Victoria Tang, Director of Hong Kong Economic and Trade Affairs, Shanghai; and Mr. Qu Qiuping, General Manager of Haitong Securities Co Ltd. More than 350 experts, scholars, government officials and entrepreneurs from Hong Kong and the Mainland attended the forum’s morning session.

In the afternoon, three closed-door and small group discussion sessions were held, allowing in-depth exchange of ideas between Shanghai and Hong Kong experts in three important fields, namely maritime and aviation, financial services and property development. Experts from Hong Kong participated in the discussions included Prof. Anthony Leung, former Secretary for Transport and Housing; Mr. Yue Yi, former Vice Chairman and Chief Executive of Bank of China (Hong Kong); Mr. Willy Lin, Chairman of the Hong Kong Shippers' Council; Ms. Rosita Lau, Member of Hong Kong Maritime and Port Board; Mr. Laurence Li, Chairman of the Financial Services Development Council (FSDC); Mr. Christopher Hui, Executive Director

of FSDC; Ms. Ding Chen, Chief Executive Officer of CSOP Asset Management Ltd; Dr. Zhong Xiaofeng, Chief Executive Officer, North Asia of Amundi Hong Kong Ltd; Mr. Johnson Yip, Head of Asset Services, Greater China of DTZ/Cushman & Wakefield; Mr. Cheng Hei-ming, Chairman of KaiLong; and Mr. Allan Zhang, Executive Director of Shui On Land Ltd.

The Foundation's Corporate Sponsor Mr. Andrew Yao and representative Mr. Henry Shi; Council Members Mr. Matthew Lam, Mr. Oscar Chow, Dr. Zhong Xiaofeng and Mr. Bosco Law; Executive Director Ms. Karen Tang; and guests Mr. Adriel Chan and Mr. Sunny Ho participated in the forum.



The Foundation's Council Member Dr. Zhong Xiaofeng gave a presentation on financial services



The Foundation's Corporate Sponsor Mr. Andrew Yao (3rd right), Council Members Mr. Oscar Chow (1st left), Mr. Matthew Lam (3rd left) and Mr. Bosco Law (2nd right), and Executive Director Ms. Karen Tang together with Prof. Anthony Leung (2nd left) attended the forum



Mr. Leung Chun-ying together with Vice Chairmen of Shanghai CPPCC, Vice Mayor of Shanghai Municipal People's Government and President of the SASS attended the afternoon sessions



Prof. Anthony Cheung (4th right) chaired the discussion session on maritime and aviation

The 12th World Policy Conference

Founded in 2008 by Prof. Thierry de Montbrial, Chairman of the French Institute of Foreign Relations (Ifri), the World Policy Conference (WPC) held its 12th edition on 12 – 14 October 2019 in Marrakesh, Morocco. The WPC's mission is to reflect upon and to come up with solutions to the constant upheavals of today's world and to create lasting bonds between the participants. This international conference gave a voice to political, economic, academic and media players from over 40 countries.

Initiated and organized by the Foundation, a plenary session entitled "Sustaining Globalization – the Chinese Position" was held during this year's conference. The Foundation invited Mr. Leung Chun-ying, Vice Chairman of the Chinese People's



Moderated by the Foundation's Executive Committee Chairman Mr. Ronnie Chan (left), Mr. Leung Chun-ying (middle) and Dr. Eric Li shared their views on China's position on sustaining globalization

Political Consultative Conference and former Chief Executive of the HKSAR, and Dr. Eric Li, Founder and Managing Partner of Chengwei Capital to speak and share their insights in the session. The session

was moderated by the Foundation's Executive Committee Chairman Mr. Ronnie Chan. The Foundation's Executive Director Ms. Karen Tang participated in the conference.

International Forum on the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area

Jointly organized by the HKSAR Government and the Office of the Commissioner of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the International Forum on the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area was successfully held in Hong Kong on 24 October 2019. The theme of the forum was "New Frontier of Reform and Opening-up, New Endeavour under 'One Country, Two Systems', and New Platform for Win-Win Cooperation". The Better Hong Kong Foundation was one of the supporting organizations.

The forum was officiated by the Chief Executive Mrs. Carrie Lam and Commissioner Xie Feng. Mr. Leung Chun-ying, Vice-Chairman of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, Dr. Somkid Jatusripitak, Deputy Prime Minister of Thailand, Mr. Ma Xingrui, Governor of Guangdong Province, Mr. Luo Wen, Vice Chairman of the National Development and Reform

Commission, Mr. Lionel Leong, Secretary for Economy and Finance of the Macao Special Administrative Region, and Ms. Li Xiaolin, President of Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries delivered keynote addresses at the forum. Some 600 political and business leaders and academics from around the world attended the event.

The Foundation's Trustee Dr. Adrian Cheng's representative Dr. Wendy Hong; Corporate Sponsor's representative Mr. Song Teng; Council Members Mr. Thomas Woo, Mr. Joseph Yu, Dr. Raymond Leung, Mr. Chan Yim-kwong, Dr. Frankie Yeung, Mr. Bryant Lu and Mr. Dario Pong; and Executive Director Ms. Karen Tang attended the forum.



The Chief Executive Mrs. Carrie Lam (front row, 6th right) and Commissioner Xie Feng (front row, 5th right) with keynote speakers and other guests

DIALOGUES WITH LEADERS

The Foundation endeavors to establish and strengthen its alliances with leading political, academic, media and business leaders. We keep close connections and engage in frequent dialogue with our counterparts around the world to keep them posted on the latest developments in Hong Kong and mainland China.



With Secretary Hu Changsheng (middle)

Mainland China

31 May 2019

Mr. HU Changsheng

Secretary of Xiamen Municipal Party Committee

14 June 2019

Deputy Commissioner SONG Ru'an

Commissioner's Office of Ministry of Foreign Affairs in the HKSAR



With Deputy Commissioner Song Ru'an (middle)

28 November 2019

Ambassador CAO Zhongming

Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the PRC to the Kingdom of Belgium

Ambassador XIONG Bo

Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the PRC to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam



With Ambassador Xiong Bo (sitting, 3rd left) and Ambassador Cao Zhongming (sitting, 2nd right)

Overseas

22 March 2019

Delegation of U.S. Congressional Staffers

30 May 2019

Prof. Mouna MAROUN

Head of Department of Neurobiology,
University of Haifa, Israel

Prof. Michal SCHWARTZ

Professorial Chair in Neuroimmunology of
Weizmann Institute of Science, Israel



With Prof. Mouna Maroun and Prof. Michal Schwartz

8 October 2019

Delegation of U.S. Congressional Staffers

20 November 2019

**Jewish American Leaders 2019 Mission
to China**



With Senator Mark Kirk (front row, middle)

20 December 2019

Former U.S. Senator Mark KIRK

Dr. Malgorzata BONIKOWSKA

President of Center for International
Relations, Poland



With the Delegation of U.S. Congressional Staffers in March



With the Delegation of U.S. Congressional Staffers in October



With delegates of Jewish American Leaders 2019 Mission to China



With Dr. Malgorzata Bonikowska (middle)

Hong Kong

10 January 2019

Policy Innovation and Co-ordination
Office of the HKSAR Government

5 March 2019

Dr. Dong TAO

Vice Chairman Greater China of Credit
Suisse Private Banking Asia Pacific

29 April 2019

Mr. Edward YAU

Secretary for Commerce and Economic
Development of the HKSAR Government



With Mr. Tung Chee-hwa (3rd left)



With Mr. Paul Chan (6th right)

6 & 7 May 2019

Mr. Paul CHAN

Financial Secretary of the HKSAR
Government

12 June 2019

Mr. TUNG Chee Hwa

Vice Chairman of Chinese People's
Political Consultative Conference and
first Chief Executive of the HKSAR

1 August 2019

Mr. SHIU Sin Por

Former Head of Central Policy Unit of
the HKSAR Government and Executive
Director of New Paradigm Foundation



With Mrs. Betty Fung (front row, 3rd left), Head of Policy Innovation and
Co-ordination Office



With Mr. Edward Yau (middle)

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF HONG KONG

With globalization, rapid change and worldwide competition, we cannot be complacent regarding the current state of affairs. The Foundation, in collaboration with renowned research institutes, conducts studies on the competitiveness of urban cities in China as well as bench marking world cities in the pursuit of excellence. We also recognize the importance of Hong Kong's youth development and the cultivation of a green environment and corporate social responsibility for the betterment and sustainable development of Hong Kong.

2019 China Urban Competitiveness Report

The Center for City and Competitiveness of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences ("the Center") announced the 2019 China Urban Competitiveness Report on 24 June 2019 in Beijing. Led by Prof. Ni Pengfei of the Center, the theme of the 2019 report is "Housing: The Impacts on Economy and Society". This year's report elaborates the effect of housing development on fostering economic growth and structural changes, preventing economic risks, and benefiting people's livelihood in China. The report also estimates the general direction of housing development and provides relevant recommendations. On 25 June 2019, the Foundation hosted a discussion luncheon where Prof. Ni was invited to give a presentation on the report and explained the overall competitiveness of Hong Kong. Supported by Hong Kong Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies of the Chinese University of Hong Kong, Prof. Shen Jianfa also attended the luncheon and commented on the findings about Hong Kong.

Hong Kong is ranked second in the Comprehensive Economic Competitiveness Index. Although the ranking of overall incremental competitiveness sub-index drops, the city's hardware and software support the good performance in the overall efficiency competitiveness sub-index. Hong Kong leads in the Sustainable Competitiveness Index. Hong Kong is strong in the cultural, ecological and info-city sub-indices and tops the Livability Competitiveness Index. The high quality educational environment and ecological environment, and active economic environment are major contributing factors. Hong Kong also tops the Business-friendly Competitiveness Index. Favourable local



Prof. Ni Pengfei (front row, 2nd right) gave a presentation on the report and explained the overall competitiveness of Hong Kong with the Foundation's members and guests

factors, soft environment and international connections, such as low tax base, high economic freedom and transparent legal system contribute to Hong Kong's overall business-friendly environment.

The report makes suggestions on the future development of Hong Kong in two aspects. First, Hong Kong must continue to establish the core function of "innovation + technology". This is a way to strengthen the industries with traditional advantages, and can foster the development of AI, biomedical, advanced manufacturing and cultural & creative industries. Second, Hong Kong needs to strive to be the dragonhead of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area. By deepening economic integration with the Mainland, particularly the GBA, Hong Kong can be a principal

participant, promotor and beneficiary in the GBA development.

The Foundation's Trustees Dr. Sumet Jiaravanon's representative Ms. Li Xuhua and Dr. Adrian Cheng's representative Dr. Wendy Hong; Council Members Dr. Roy Chung, Mr. Joseph Yu, Ms. Diana Chou, Mr. Sebastian Man, Mr. Chan Yim-kwong and Ms. Clara Chan; Executive Director Ms. Karen Tang; and invited guests Mr. Adolph Leung, Mr. Kwok Kwok-chuen, Mr. Liu Hongyu, Mr. Jimmy Kwok, Mr. Tse Kwok-leung, Mr. Chang Ka-mun, Ms. Cathy Tang and Mr. Gordon Kee attended the luncheon discussion.

The 13th Hong Kong Cup Diplomatic Knowledge Contest



The Final was successfully held on 11 May 2019

Since 2007, the Foundation has jointly organized the Hong Kong Cup Diplomatic Knowledge Contest with the Office of Commissioner of the PRC's Ministry of Foreign Affairs in the HKSAR (Commissioner's Office) and the Education Bureau of the HKSAR

Government. The contest aims to raise students' interest in international affairs and knowledge of the nation's foreign policy. As 2019 marked the 70th Anniversary of the founding of the PRC, the theme of the 13th Hong Kong Cup Diplomatic Knowledge Competition

was "New China at 70, New Era in Diplomacy". More than 28,500 students from 164 primary and secondary schools enrolled in this year's contest which set the highest record of participants since the launch of the contest.



The competition was fierce



The Chief Executive Mrs. Carrie Lam (3rd right) presented the Gold Award of the Elite Group to Po Leung Kuk Tung Yuk Tien College

On 11 May 2019, ten shortlisted teams entered into the Final and competed under two groups, namely Elite Group and Pioneer Group, after the first-round competition in March. This year, the organizers were honored to have invited the Chief Executive Mrs. Carrie Lam as the Guest of Honor of the Final and to address us at the prize presentation ceremony. The Foundation's Trustee Tan Sri Dato' David Chiu, Council Members Dr. Roy Chung, Mr. Thomas Woo, Mr. Dominic Pang, Mr. Allen Shi and Ms. Clara Chan, and Executive Director Ms. Karen Tang also attend the Final. Mr. Lu Kang, Spokesman and Director-General of the Information Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs was specially invited to have a dialogue with the finalist who won the Best Spokesperson Award on-site.



The Foundation's Trustee Tan Sri Dato' David Chiu (5th right) together with the Chief Secretary for Administration Mr. Matthew Cheung (6th right) and the Secretary for Education Mr. Kevin Yeung (7th right) presented the Bronze Awards of the Elite Group



Panel of Judges: (L to R) Deputy Commissioner Song Ru'an, Ms. Elsie Leung, Ms. Maria Tam, Prof. Wong Yuk-shan and Mr. Raymond Tam



Mr. Lu Kang had a dialogue with the winner of the Best Spokesperson Award

In the Final, students competed for their knowledge of foreign diplomatic affairs of the PRC, Hong Kong-related foreign affairs, national and international affairs, international relationships and diplomatic etiquette. After rounds of fierce competition, the championship in Elite Group and Pioneer Group went to Po Leung Kuk Tung Yuk Tien College and Po Leung Kuk Centenary Li Shiu Chung Memorial College respectively. The Final took place at the TVB studio. More than 400 audience members, comprising students and teachers from primary and secondary schools, were amazed by the excellent performances of the finalists. A television

program about the contest was produced and broadcast on 25 May 2019.



(L to R) Ms. Clara Chan, Mr. Allen Shi, Mr. Thomas Woo, Mr. Raymond Tam, Deputy Commissioner Song Ru'an, Dr. Roy Chung, Ms. Karen Tang and Mr. Dominic Pang

From 20 – 28 July 2019, a study tour to Beijing and Guizhou was organized for the winning teams. In Beijing, students visited the Ministry of Foreign Affairs where they were able to observe the press conference hosted by Spokesman Mr. Geng Shuang at the Blue Hall. They also had a dialogue with a group of young diplomats. Highlights of the tour included the visits to the China Astronaut Research and Training Center in Beijing and the Five-hundred-meter Aperture Spherical radio Telescope (FAST) in Guizhou which demonstrated our nation's outstanding achievements in space technology. Through the contest, we hope that young people and the general public in Hong Kong will become more interested in learning about the development of China in the context of world diplomacy.



Group photo with the Ministry's Spokesman Mr. Geng Shuang at the Blue Hall



Sharing session with young diplomats at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs



Visited the FAST in Guizhou



Enjoyed the great scene at Douputang Waterfall



Took a high speed train from Guiyang to Hong Kong



Visited Yunyi Meeting Memorial Museum in Guizhou

Milestones

18 December 2018	Open for enrollment
22 February 2019	Training Day for First-round On-line Competition
28 February – 15 March 2019	First-round On-line Competition
29 March 2019	Results of the 15 Winning Teams under the Primary School Category and the 10 Shortlisted Teams under Elite Group and Pioneer Group of the Secondary School Category
15 April 2019	Training Day for Final
11 May 2019	Final and Prize Presentation Ceremony
20 - 28 July 2019	Study Tour to Beijing and Guizhou

The Winners - Secondary School Category

Elite Group

Gold	Po Leung Kuk Tung Yuk Tien College
Silver	Ying Wa College
	Baptist Lui Ming Choi Secondary School
Bronze	Diocesan Girls' School
	Yan Chai Hospital Wong Wha San Secondary School
Best Spokesperson	Leung Mei Kei (Po Leung Kuk Tung Yuk Tien College)

Pioneer Group

Gold	Po Leung Kuk Centenary Li Shiu Chung Memorial College
Silver	Kwun Tong Maryknoll College
Bronze	Shatin Pui Ying College
Merits	SKH Chan Young Secondary School
	Queen's College

The Winners – Primary School Category

Champion	Kowloon Women's Welfare Club Li Ping Memorial School
1st Runner-up	Ying Wa Primary School
2nd Runner-up	Kwok Man School
Merits	NTWJWA Leung Sing Tak Primary School
	SKH Chu Oi Primary School (Lei Muk Shue)
	Jordan Road Government Primary School
	Pui Kiu Primary School
	Sau Mau Ping Catholic Primary School
	South Yuen Long Government Primary School
	Hong Kong and Kowloon Kaifong Women's Association Sun Fong Chung Primary School
	SKH Kei Yan Primary School
	HKFEW Wong Cho Bau School
	Lui Cheung Kwong Lutheran Primary School

Corporate Social Responsibility and Green Environment

The Foundation is keen to work with organizations and media in promoting and recognizing corporations that excel in supporting corporate social responsibility and a green environment.

International Conference on Regulatory Governance

Sponsored by the Foundation and hosted by the Chinese University of Hong Kong, the conference addressed best practice in designing policies, programs and organizations on regulatory governance when facing the challenges of a globalizing world. It gathered together researchers from both East and West to explore complex issues on regulatory governance.

Gerontech and Innovation Expo cum Summit 2019

Co-organized by the HKSAR Government, the Hong Kong Council of Social Service and the Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation, and supported by the Foundation, the GIES provided a platform for all relevant parties, from experts and industry leaders to policymakers in relevant disciplines. Also included were the elderly, their families and carers who were encouraged to share their views and get stimulated, with the aim of enhancing public awareness on technology and innovation for the elderly and encouraging the development and adoption of relevant solutions in Hong Kong.

The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors Annual Conference 2019

Supported by the Foundation and organized by the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors, the conference examined and encouraged the early introduction of smart technologies, framing the current landscape, projecting future trends and spelling out the challenges and opportunities ahead in the surveying field.



The Foundation's Executive Director Ms. Karen Tang (back row, 2nd left) presented the awards to the Junior Ambassadors

Metro Awards for Brand Excellence 2018

Supported by the Foundation, the awards were presented by Metro Daily and Metro Prosperity, and aimed to honor business' efforts made on building and promoting Hong Kong brands.

The 53rd Hong Kong Brands & Products Expo Junior Ambassadors 2018 Competition

Sponsored by the Foundation and organized by the Chinese Manufacturers' Association, the Junior Ambassadors 2018 Competition was held on 1 January 2019. Children needed to compete with their talents on STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and math) through various performances.

X Fair 2019

Supported by the Foundation and organized by the Hong Kong Innovation Foundation, X Fair 2019 was a science fair and product design competition for students to come up with innovative ways to solve problems they see within their community. Using science, technology, and design, students could build hardware product prototypes and learn how to refine and present their ideas.

Top 10 Policies of the HKSAR Election 2019

Co-organized by the Foundation, the public was encouraged to select ten HKSAR policies that it was most concerned about in 2019. This offered the government a reference with regards to public sentiment concerning public policies.

THE FOUNDATION MATTERS

Spring Luncheon and Media Gathering

To celebrate the Year of the Pig with members and to strengthen our communication with media friends, the Foundation held its annual spring luncheon with members and media gathering on 22 January 2019. The luncheon was hosted by the Foundation's Advisory Council Chairman Dr. Henry Cheng and the media gathering was chaired by the Foundation's Executive Committee Chairman Mr. Ronnie Chan. More than 30 editors and journalists joined the media gathering and exchanged good wishes with the Foundation's members for the New Year.

Members of the Foundation sent Chinese New Year greetings to people of Hong Kong: (Front row, L to R) Dr. Roy Chung, Ms. Diana Chou, Ms. Karen Tang, Ms. Winnie Ng, Mr. Ronnie Chan, Ms. Li Xuhua, Ms. Juliana Lam, Ms. Clara Chan and Mr. Thomas Woo; (Back row, L to R) Mr. Anson Chan, Mr. Henry Shi, Mr. Sebastian Man, Mr. Chan Yim-kwong, Mr. Philip Ma, Dr. Frankie Yeung, Mr. Samson Chan, Dr. Zhong Xiaofeng, Dr. Raymond Leung, Mr. Alex Yip and Mr. Joseph Yu

Members joining the spring luncheon included Executive Committee Chairman Mr. Ronnie Chan; Trustee Dr. Sumet Jiaravanon's representative Ms. Li Xuhua; Corporate Sponsor's representative Mr. Henry Shi; Council Members Dr. Roy Chung, Mr. Thomas Woo, Ms. Winnie Ng,

Mr. Joseph Yu, Mr. Philip Ma, Ms. Diana Chou, Mr. Sebastian Man, Ms. Juliana Lam, Dr. Raymond Leung, Mr. Samson Chan, Mr. Chan Yim-kwong, Dr. Frankie Yeung, Mr. John Lee, Mr. Anson Chan, Mr. Alex Yip, Dr. Zhong Xiaofeng and Ms. Clara Chan; and Executive Director Ms. Karen Tang.



New Member

Council Member



Mr. Bosco LAW

Deputy Chairman & CEO
Laws Fashion Group Ltd

www.lawsgroup.com

Mr. Bosco Law is Deputy Chairman and CEO of Laws Fashion Group Ltd and LAWSGROUP, where he leads and oversees the Group's global operations and development strategies in manufacturing, supply chain, retail & branding, and property investments. He also holds the position of Chairman at Laws Properties, a subsidiary of LAWSGROUP, where he initiates and directs strategic investments and new project development. The Group currently employs more than 25,000 staff in 15 countries and regions. LAWSGROUP has been one of the industry leaders

in garment manufacturing and fashion retail for more than 40 years. Under Mr. Law's new leadership, the Group further expands its supply chain network along the Belt & Road regions in the past decade, with new manufacturing facilities in Vietnam, Myanmar, and Bangladesh, serving numerous renowned fashion labels globally.

In 2012, Mr. Law initiated and led a series of industrial building revitalization projects, including Hong Kong's first revitalized shopping mall-cum-office complex D2 Place ONE and D2 Place TWO. Since its launch in 2013, thousands of young entrepreneurs and local designers were groomed and benefited from D2 Place, fostering their development across the city. He supports nurturing young local fashion designers and driving the development of the fashion industry in Hong Kong.

Mr. Law graduated with an Honors Bachelor Degree from University of Toronto in 2001, majoring in Architecture with minor in Fine Art History. In addition to his commercial undertakings, he has also been serving as Member of Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (CPPCC) of Guangxi Province; Member of Hong Kong CPPCC (Provincial) Members Association cum Panel on Constitutional and Mainland Affairs; Member of Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC) Belt & Road SMEs and Young Generation Working Group; HKTDC Mainland Business Advisory Committee Member; and Hong Kong Textile Council General Committee Member.