

**Speaker Profiles**



**Prof. Ho Kin Chung, BBS, JP**  
*President, Hong Kong Academy of Environmental Science and, Founder of Polar Research Institute of Hong Kong*

Prof. Ho Kin-chung was the former Dean of School of Science and Technology and, Ng Chun Man Professor in Environmental Science & Conservation of the Open University of Hong Kong (OUHK). After his retirement from OUHK, he has been appointed the Founding President of Hong Kong Academy of Environmental Science (HKAES) and Director of the Polar Research Institute of Hong Kong (PRIHK).

Graduated from the Chinese University of Hong Kong with major in Biology and minor in Biochemistry, he obtained a MSc degree in Environmental Resources from Salford University of United Kingdom. He worked in the Environmental a Protection Department of the Hong Kong Government for 10 years, during which he also studied in the University of Hong Kong for PhD degree by part time. His doctorate thesis related to significance and formation mechanism in subtropical waters. In 1993, Prof. Ho changed his job to be Senior Lecturer in Environmental Studies of the OUHK (formerly known as Open Learning Institute of Hong Kong) in mid 1992. He was subsequently promoted to be Associate Professor, Professor and Dean of the School of Science and Technology. Before his appointment as Professor Emeritus of the OUHK after retirement, he was renowned to be Ng Chun Man Professor in Environmental Science and Conservation.

Prof. Ho has a wide spectrum of academic interests: included but not limited to Harmful Algal Blooms, Water Quality and Water Resources Management, Environmental Impact Assessment, Environmental Planning and Policy, Environmental Management and Sustainability, Energy Management and Climate Changes, Environmental Ethics, Ecological Theology, Environmental Education and Public Governance. He has visited the Higher Arctic for 15 times and the Antarctica for 4 times for scientific research and expedition. So far, he has published more than 500 research articles in refereed journals and international conference proceedings. He also published and edited 42 books, 8 sets of distance-education study materials and more 20 technical reports for the Government and public corporations.

Besides academic contributions, Prof. Ho serves enthusiastically in professional bodies in Hong Kong and Mainland China. He is also active members of several public consultative committees and advisory councils of the Government. As the laureate of several significant awards locally and internationally, Prof. Ho was conferred a Badge of Bauhinia Star by the Government of HKSAR in 2004 and has been appointed to be Judge of the Peace (JP) since 2014.



**Dr. Faith Chan**  
*Assistant Professor, School of Geographical Sciences, University of Nottingham Ningbo China*

Dr. Faith, Ka Shun Chan specialised in sustainable flood risk management, climate adaptations and urban resilience on Asian coastal megacities. He is currently funded by the Chinese National Research Council (NSFC) as principal investigator on the microplastics and its impacts on urban rivers, he is also involved in two international research projects as a researcher in the Blue-Green Cities Consortium (funded by ESPRC and British Academy from the UK research council) and co-investigating in the flood risk and commercial properties (funded by RICS) project. He is also a principal investigator on three municipal-funded projects to investigate the surface water quality, typhoon-enhanced flood risk, and the development of a "Sponge City" pilot study in Ningbo. He has published more than 30 publications in top tier international peer-reviewed journals such as *Journal of Cleaner Production*, *Land Use Policy*, *Journal of Flood Risk Management*, *Nature Ecology and Evolution*, *Progress in Planning*, *Applied Geography*, *Nature Hazards*, *International Journal of Water Resources Management*, etc., book chapters and magazines. Currently, he is based at University of Nottingham Ningbo China and aims to work further on projects concerning urban resilience, flood risk management, water resources management, and climate change adaptations in Asian cities.



**Mr. He Zhibo**  
*Vice Chief Engineer & Director of Flood Control and Drought Relief Office of Pearl River Water Resources Commission, MWR*

Mr. He Zhibo graduated from the Department of Water Resources and Hydropower Engineering, Tsinghua University, majoring in water conservancy and hydro engineering. He later obtained a master's degree from Sun Yat-sen University. Mr. He is a visiting researcher at University of Regina, Canada, a professorate senior engineer, and a member on the Flood Management and Disaster Reduction Professional Committee of the Chinese Hydraulic Engineering Society. He is currently the Vice Chief Engineer & Director of Flood Control and Drought Relief Office of Pearl River Water Resources Commission, Ministry of Water Resources, involved in the long-term engagement of flood control and drought relief research and comprehensive watershed management.



**Ir Wong Chi-pan, Ricky**  
*Deputy Head of the Civil Engineering Office (Port and Land), Civil Engineering and Development Department, HKSAR Government*

Ir Wong is a civil engineer by profession. He graduated from the Hong Kong Polytechnic in 1989. He is also holding several postgraduate degrees from Hong Kong, United States and Australia including Master of Science in Engineering, Master of Science in Coastal and Oceanographic Engineering, Master of Science in Environmental Engineering, Master of Business Administration and Master of Finance.

He was a project engineer of the Port Works Division, Civil Engineering and Development Department, participating in reclamation, breakwater and pier planning and construction projects. He joined the Commissioner for Heritage's Office of the Development Bureau later and became the Chief Assistant Secretary (Works) in 2014 to take forward several award-winning building projects under the Revitalising Historic Buildings Through Partnership Scheme.

Ir Wong assumed the position of Chief Engineer/Port Works in 2017 to look after the construction and maintenance of port facilities; and technical studies of several reclamation projects. He was also involved in research and development to enhance the standards of marine structures design and maintenance; and their resilience under the effects of climate change. Ir Wong has been the Deputy Head of the Civil Engineering Office (Port and Land) of Civil Engineering and Development Department since June 2018.



**Dr. Ander Chow**  
*Associate Director, Ove Arup & Partners Hong Kong Ltd.*

Dr. Ander Chow, Arup's Associate Director, has over 30 years of practical experience in maritime/coastal engineering for both public and private sector clients in Canada, China, Malaysia, Philippines, Vietnam, Middle East, Africa, and the Caribbean.

Ander specialties in flood risk assessment and completed more than 50 engineering feasibility studies, DIA/EIAs and due-diligence studies. In the climate change arena, he was involved in the CEDD Climate Change Study to review climate change effect and its implications on the design of coastal structures; a Super Typhoon Study to investigate the vulnerability of 3 major power generation plants in Hong Kong. Currently Ander is undertaking a Strategic Study on Resilience of Critical Infrastructures in Hong Kong for CEDD to develop infrastructure resilience enhancement plans.



**Mr. James A Maguire,**  
*Partner, Sustainable Development Capital LLP*

Jim Maguire is a Partner at Sustainable Development Capital, LLP ("SDCL"), a London-based investment firm with offices in New York, Hong Kong, Singapore and Dublin, established in 2007 to make investments in sustainable infrastructure.

Jim is formerly a senior insurance executive with over 20 years' working at the intersection of global energy, project finance and insurance markets. He has experience with risk issues and financial risk management instruments addressing Climate Change, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy. He has advised clients on project risk allocation encompassing performance security, debt finance and equity capital protection, energy savings insurance, solar warranties and weather hedges. He has represented both domestic and international project developers, domestic and international commercial lenders, and export credit agencies in relation to these transactions.

Jim has spoken widely on Climate Change, renewable energy and green finance and is an investor in several sustainable infrastructure platforms including SDCL, Renova Capital Partners, Sustainable Living Partners, Renova Energy & Infrastructure and kWh Analytics.



**Mr. Robin How**  
*Author and Independent Analyst*

Robin is an independent service provider having spent most of his working life in Asia. He has worked in Bahrain, South Korea and Hong Kong. From 2000, Robin has worked with family offices providing specialist research and advice on China. Robin has covered China for 30 years. Robin is close to completing a book on the systematisation of China's governance and development and publishes a weekly summary and discussion of announcements in respect of China.



**Mr. Anthony Cheung**  
*Board Member, Friends of the Earth (HK)*

A visionary investor with experience in Asia and emerging markets, ESG and investments in sustainability, Anthony is deeply passionate about Green finance & NGO governance. Anthony is the first institutional investor in Asia who was awarded the Certified ESG Analyst designation. He had served in renowned institutions, including Gartmore, Pictet, and BNP Paribas.

Actively in advocating corporate governance best practice, Anthony is the Deputy Chairman of the Training Committee, Hong Kong Institute of Directors. He is currently an Ambassador for Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership Network (CISL), Board Governor of Friends of the Earth (HK) and a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts. Anthony holds a BSc (Hons) in Economics from the London School of Economics (LSE) in the UK.



**Prof. Entela Benz-Saliasi**  
*Adjunct Associate Professor, Department of Finance, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology*

Since 2008, Professor Benz-Saliasi serves as Adjunct Associate Professor at Department of Finance, HKUST Business School, teaching a variety of courses such as Fixed Income Securities and Derivatives, Investment Analysis & Portfolio Management, Sustainable Investing mainly for Master students. Also, she has held several Executive Education Courses on ESG Investing. Alongside teaching, she has been acting as consultant/advisor to various NGO or market players with a focus on Impact Measurement and ESG Investing. Currently, she sits on The Hong Kong Green Finance Association ESG Integration working group, the Board of Advisors of International Care Ministries (ICM), as well as the Friends Of the Earth NGO Advisory Board.

In addition to teaching, she currently co-founded a start-up that aims to use Deep Learning for ESG Investing and Climate Risk Integration. In late 2016 Professor Benz-Saliasi founded Ipsum Opus Limited a cloud based data analytics company. Until 2007, she worked as Interest Rate Derivatives Strategist for UBS Investment Bank, Hong Kong. Back in 1999, she worked as Financial Analyst for Longitude Investment SA, a fund of hedge funds based in Geneva, Switzerland. Before that, in 1996, she helped create and establish the Department of Trading Supervision of the Security and Exchange Commission (SEC) in Albania.

She recently published two Harvard Business Review cases studies on ESG integration on academic valuations. Her current research interest focuses on climate risk impact on financials and green bonds. Previous academic research is on venture capitalist contracting and tech firm valuations using real option pricing techniques as well as Portfolio Optimization with credit default risk. In 2003, she graduated with a PhD in Financial Asset Management and Engineering from Swiss Finance Institute, Switzerland



**Ms. Alexandra Boakes Tracy**  
*Founder and President, Hoi Ping Ventures*

Alexandra Boakes Tracy is President of Hoi Ping Ventures in Hong Kong, which she founded to provide research and consulting on sustainable and low carbon investment in Asian emerging markets.

Since 2013, Alexandra has been a member of the Listing Committee of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange. She is also the Active Private Observer to the United Nations Green Climate Fund, a director of the Climate Markets & Investment Association in the UK and a member of the Financial Services Business Council of the European Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong. Alexandra was non-executive Chairman of the Association for Sustainable & Responsible Investment in Asia for six years, stepping down in 2015, and was instrumental in establishing the Asia Investor Group on Climate Change during this period. She sits on a number of corporate and non-profit boards in Hong Kong, including Tom Hugh Limited, where she is non-executive Chairman, and the Asia Pacific Investors Cooperation. She is also an Advisor to the Hong Kong University of Science & Technology's Asian Family Business Research Centre and to the NDCl.org climate commitment community. Alexandra speaks and writes regularly on sustainable finance, development and infrastructure issues.