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**Bio & Policy Statement from  
A Nominee for Associate Member Governor  
Board of Governors 2017-2018**



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I am motivated to upgrade and modernize the FCC and can offer solid media experience from having spent 15 years working at news operations in Hong Kong.

I have served three terms on the FCC board and am still in the groove of “wanting to serve” without getting jaded by the experience. My focus in recent years has been to upgrade the FCC’s governance so that we are properly run as one of the world’s leading press clubs. As a membership committee convener, I have advocated more diversity, especially adding more female members—a key necessity given our huge gender imbalance. In recent months, I have helped oversee the refurbishment of the Main Bar, the kitchen upgrade and our new AV system.

I will focus my energies in two key areas if re-elected:

1. Driving an overhaul of the club’s membership categories to better fit the modern media landscape. This issue has been kicked around the board in recent years and I am confident we can come back to the membership with a workable proposal. I favor modernizing measures such as having the (Correspondent) president elected by all members of the club as a way of broadening participation in our governance.
2. Upgrading the Main Dining Room which has become tired and under-utilized. The experience of using the MDR as our key wining and dining space during the recent renovation was instructive. I would favor turning it into a less fusty-musty brasserie with an active bar. I believe this can be done while keeping the MDR as a classy dining venue and as a multi-purpose events space for speaker lunches, dinners and parties.

Most of my Hong Kong experience has been spent working as a journalist at outlets such as the SCMP and Bloomberg News. Now, as the research director at an independent macro-economic research that sends daily commentary and analysis to 15,000 readers, I operate in a related sector. I believe this experience equips me to represent the interests of FCC associate members, while at the same time appreciating the challenges and needs of journalists.