

**Bio & Policy Statement from
A Nominee for Correspondent Member Governor
Board of Governors 2013-2014**



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Dear Fellow Members:

Having been a member of multiple press clubs in my time in Asia I can state unequivocally that the FCC Hong Kong is the region's finest, blessed with a historic location, visited by prominent speakers, and hosting a diverse and active membership. It also plays a crucial role in protecting the freedoms of the region's working press, and as a gateway to coverage of a fast-changing China.

If elected to the board of governors I would work to not only preserve these strengths, but improve upon them. While the FCC remains an important and consistent voice for the interests of journalists, I believe it could do more to communicate its stances on matters of interests to members and the wider press community, particularly in cases of violence and intimidation against journalists. I would also strive to boost the club's ties with other press organizations in Hong Kong and throughout the region being of the view that through collaboration we can better advance causes of importance to all of us.

I also hope to contribute to sustaining the high quality of the club's justifiably renowned facilities and publications.

Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to serving the club in the years to come.

Bio: Jonathan Hopfner joined Reuters in Hong Kong in 2008, and spent four years in Seoul as an editor and correspondent before returning to Hong Kong to take up the role of regional news editor for Reuters' financial multimedia service, Reuters Insider. Prior to joining Reuters he was a writer for the South China Morning Post and Southeast Asia correspondent for BNA, Inc. (now BNA Bloomberg), based in Singapore and Bangkok.