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**Bio & Policy Statement from
A Nominee for Correspondent Member Governor
Board of Governors 2018-2019**



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It has been a privilege to serve on the FCC Board as a Correspondent Governor during the past year, working with the FCC community to build on membership offerings and helping to progress the club's important agenda. The experience has reinforced my belief that the FCC is a unique institution that provides a second home for its members and is the preeminent press club in Asia. Over the past year I have:

- As convener of the 2018 FCC Journalism Conference, working with a great committee, helped organise and develop discussion panels that built on excellent past conferences. The Committee this year broadened the range of speakers and attendees, including facilitating students from Hong Kong's journalism schools – the next wave of young FCC members - through subsidised tickets.
- Served as a co-convener of the Professional Committee, where we maintained the range of diverse, high-calibre speakers. I led an initiative to build on the FCC's stellar network by strengthening the club's contacts with the diplomatic community, which drew in new members and speakers.
- Initiated a movie night in association with Sony Pictures in Bert's Bar with an aim to enriching the balance between the FCC's heart, the Main Bar, and other venues (we were lucky to exclusively screen "Roman J. Israel, Esq.").

I am aware that the FCC is facing the challenge of balancing revenue growth while expanding member offerings. If re-elected, the focus of my efforts would include:

- Deepening the involvement of Hong Kong's journalism community in the FCC through targeted events and new offerings that appeal to our core members.
- Developing initiatives focused on revenue building from new activities consistent with the FCC agenda to mitigate the rise in operational costs so that the FCC can further its important agenda and enhance membership offerings.
- Building on the reciprocal membership scheme by promoting new partnerships with overseas clubs to provide a full suite of services for members to enjoy.

If elected, I would relish the opportunity to work with members to maintain the FCC's standing as the region's leading institution supporting robust journalism and press freedom. I would be grateful for your support to elect me as Correspondent Governor.

Hailing from a farming family in the verdant hills of County Wicklow, Ireland, I cover major themes and trends driving Asia's economies as a correspondent for Bloomberg News. Before joining Bloomberg News, I was at The Wall Street Journal.