



**Bio & Policy Statement from  
A Nominee for Correspondent Member Governor  
Board of Governors 2021-2022**



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**STATEMENT:**

If elected for a third year on the board, my goals remain unchanged: to do my utmost to maintain the FCC as one of the world's preeminent press clubs (and the one with the best bar).

Being on the board of an institution like the FCC isn't a responsibility I take lightly. As Club Secretary, I've been involved in many aspects of the FCC's operations, from hosting events and overseeing its finances to welcoming a steady stream of new members.

I'm very proud of how we've weathered the effects of the pandemic so far through the unstinting efforts of our amazing staff as well as the support of members. For me, keeping the club on a sound financial footing is vital to maintaining it as a respected forum for hosting a range of viewpoints as well as being a vocal supporter of press freedom.

We're a professional as well as a social club and that has been reflected in the efforts to keep the club as open as restrictions allow, while promoting press freedom and hosting great speakers in whatever format we can.

**Bio:** I've been in Hong Kong since 2012 and have covered finance, markets, economics and business for the past 20 years. I'm currently Asia columnist for Breakingviews, the commentary arm of Reuters. I joined Reuters in 2017 after an 18-year career at the Financial Times that also took in London and New York.

Since being in Hong Kong, I've treasured the sense of collegiality found at the FCC as well its support for early-career journalists. I look forward to helping maintain and develop the club that we all love.