



**Bio & Policy Statement from
A Nominee for Correspondent Member Governor
Board of Governors 2023-2024**



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Statement:

I would be honoured to join the FCC's Board of Governors and want to thank existing board members for inviting me.

The FCC's values and mission on press freedom were a big part of why I joined the club, but having worked alongside fellow members on several committees, I've also developed great respect for the difficult and important work that goes into steering this club through the challenges that have impacted Hong Kong over the last few years.

If elected, I would want to continue that work, and expand the ways the FCC can support its members in what is often a tough environment for journalists by building a stronger sense of community within the club.

As part of the Press Freedom Committee, I've been working on building a tracker to monitor events affecting journalists and press freedoms within Hong Kong and the wider Asia region. I would like to develop this tool to build up the club's awareness and understanding of these issues and allow us to respond in a rapid and informed manner.

I would also love to see the club focus more on inclusivity for minorities, LGBTQ+ and younger members, by organising (for example) networking events, exhibitions, talks or training. I sit on the Communications Committee and want to contribute my ideas and enthusiasm to dedicating more space in The Correspondent for stories on equality, and useful information for early career journalists.

Thank you.

Bio:

I now work as a news editor for AFP in Hong Kong. I moved here at the end of 2021 for a job with South China Morning Post, after five years in London working as a producer for BBC World News and BBC World Service Radio. I have a huge interest in China and east Asia, and have spent the last four years struggling to learn Mandarin.