

ANNEX: NEW NUS PRO-CHANCELLORS



Mr Gautam Banerjee Chairman of Blackstone Singapore

Mr Gautam Banerjee currently serves as Chairman of Blackstone Singapore.

Mr Banerjee was the Executive Chairman of PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) Singapore for 9 years until his retirement on 31 December 2012. He was also the Chief Operating Officer for PwC Eastern Cluster, which includes China, Australia, Japan, Korea and South East Asia and a member of the global firm's Strategy Council. Mr Banerjee was elected Executive Chairman of PwC Singapore in 2004, and served as the interim Chairman of PwC India in 2009/2010.

Mr Banerjee joined PwC Singapore in April 1982 after qualifying as a Chartered Accountant in London and was admitted to the partnership in July 1989. He has led various business units in the firm, including its largest business unit, the Assurance practice.

Mr Banerjee's current roles include serving as Chairman of the Singapore Centre for Social Enterprise Ltd, a Term Trustee of Singapore Indian Development Association (SINDA), as well as serving on the Yale-NUS College Governing Board, Advisory Board of Nanyang Business School at the Nanyang Technological University, the Singapore Legal Service Commission. He has also served on the Corporate Governance Council of the Monetary Authority of Singapore and the Companies Act Reform Steering Committee.

Currently, he serves on the Boards of Singapore Airlines Limited, Singapore Telecommunications Limited, Piramal Enterprises Limited, The Indian Hotels Company Limited, and GIC Private Limited.

Mr Banerjee was a Nominated Member of Parliament in Singapore from 2007 to 2009. He served as a member of the Economic Strategies Committee chaired by the Finance Minister of Singapore from 2009/2010. He was awarded the Public Service Medal by the Singapore Government in 2014.

Mr Banerjee is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales and the Institute of Certified Public Accountants in Singapore. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science (Honours) degree in Accounting and Financial Analysis from the University of Warwick, United Kingdom, and was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Laws (LLD) by the same university in 2014.



(Credit: Gardens by the Bay)

Mrs Theresa Foo
Chairman, Singapore Business Federation Foundation

Mrs Theresa Foo currently serves as the Chairman of Singapore Business Federation Foundation. She works closely with the business community to build an inclusive Singapore by encouraging, enabling and enhancing the contributions of businesses to the social, vocational and educational upliftment of Singaporeans in need of assistance.

Mrs Foo is also a member of the Boards of Trustees of the Singapore Business Federation and the Singapore National Employers Federation. She supports various charitable and social causes and is the immediate past Chairman of Viva Foundation for Children with Cancer.

In addition, Mrs Foo is the immediate past Chairman of Gardens by the Bay since its inception in 2011 till 2017. Together with the management, she was instrumental in steering the Gardens' vision to be a world of gardens for all to own, enjoy and cherish. A champion in reinforcing the People's Garden identity, she supported several initiatives to promote greater visitation and engagement of Singaporeans. The Gardens has garnered numerous local and international awards and accolades, including Singapore Prestige Brand Award and International Garden Tourism Leader Award, and has transformed into a place of wonder for all ages and an icon of Singapore.

Mrs Foo has had an illustrious career spanning over 40 years in the banking industry. She was Bank of America's first female Vice President in Asia and later became the first Asian female Chief Executive appointed by Standard Chartered in 1993. She was nominated as one of Euromoney's Top 50 Women in Finance in 1997. She served as the Chairman of BNP Paribas Capital (Singapore) from 2001 to 2009 before retiring as full-time banker.

Concurrent to her banking career, Mrs Foo has been deeply involved with the arts and heritage in Singapore. She is the immediate past Chairman of Esplanade Co Ltd where she helped with the building and growth of the national arts venue for 17 years. For her dedication to the arts and heritage in Singapore, she was named Champion of the Arts in 2001 and presented with the Friends of MCCY Award by the Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth in 2015. She was also recognised for her contributions to the Singapore community when she received the Public Service Star Medal in 2008 and the Meritorious Service Medal in 2014.

Mrs Foo graduated from the Australian National University with a Bachelor of Arts degree.



Mr Teo Siong Seng
Chairman, Singapore Business Federation

Mr Teo Siong Seng (S.S.Teo) is the Executive Chairman/Managing Director of Pacific International Lines (Pte) Ltd (PIL), one of the largest shipowners and containership operators in Southeast Asia. He is also the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of PIL's listed subsidiary, Singamas Container Holdings Ltd, Hongkong. PIL's activities include ship owning, liner shipping, ship agencies, container manufacturing, freight forwarding, ships recycling, marine services, container depot/terminal operation, warehousing, logistics park, real estate and travel.

He is the Honorary President of Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce & Industry and formerly a Nominated Member of Parliament.

He is currently an independent non-executive director of COSCO SHIPPING Energy Transportation Co. Ltd and COSCO SHIPPING Holdings Co. Ltd. He is also the Director of Enterprise Singapore and Business China and a Member of the Future Economy Council (FEC). He is also the Honorary Consul of The United Republic of Tanzania to Singapore and the Joint Chairman of the Africa South East Asia Chamber of Commerce & Industry. He was awarded the Public Service Medal in 2010.

Mr Teo graduated with a First Class Honours Degree in Naval Architecture & Ocean Engineering from the University of Glasgow.