# MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

As of August 2013





















#### **Mrs Christina Ong**

Chairman

Mrs Ong is Managing Director of Club 21
Pte Ltd, a lifestyle retailer with more than 275 stores worldwide. A leading fashion entrepreneur, Mrs Ong is a recipient of The Italian Fashion Hall of Fame Award 1995 and the Italian Award of Cavaliere De Lavo. Mrs Ong is also a noted luxury hotelier, managing a stable of niche properties under the COMO Hotels & Resorts (Asia)
Pte Ltd brand.

#### **Mrs Deborah Ong**

Deputy Chairman

Mrs Ong is a partner at PricewaterhouseCoopers Singapore. She has more than 20 years of public accounting experience, providing audit and advisory services to a wide range of clients. Besides leading a portfolio of the firm's largest clients, Mrs Ong has been appointed as the firm's Risk & Quality Leader. She was previously the firm's Human Capital Leader.

## **Poon Hong Yuen**

Board Member and Chief Executive Officer, National Parks Board

As Chief Executive Officer of the National Parks Board (NParks), Mr Poon is leading efforts to make Singapore a City in a Garden, with pervasive greenery, rich biodiversity and a strong sense of community ownership. Prior to NParks, Mr Poon held various appointments across the Public Service, including the Ministry of Finance, the Economic Development Board and the Infocomm Development Authority of Singapore. He also sits on the Board of Governors, Temasek Polytechnic. Mr Poon graduated with a Bachelor in Electronic Engineering (First Class Honours) from the Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine, United Kingdom, in 1993.

# Mrs Koh-Lim Wen Gin

Board Member

Mrs Koh-Lim was the Chief Planner and Deputy Chief Executive of the Urban Redevelopment Authority (URA) from 2001 to 2008. Her career with URA spanned over three decades, during which she played a key role in the strategic planning and design of Singapore's city and urban landscape, and the conservation of Singapore's built heritage. She is currently a member of several statutory board advisory panels, Senior Advisor to several private firms and an Independent Director of Keppel Land Limited and Keppel Land China Limited. In 2009, Mrs Koh-Lim was conferred the Meritorious Service Award by the Government of Singapore.

#### Dr Malone-Lee Lai Choo

Board Member

Dr Malone-Lee is Director of the Centre for Sustainable Asian Cities, School of Design and Environment at the National University of Singapore (NUS). Prior to joining NUS, Dr Malone-Lee held senior positions in the civil service, working in the areas of strategic planning, planning policies and heritage conservation. Her current research interest is on urban planning policies and strategies for sustainable cities, focusing on benchmarking cities, densification, city liveability and resource optimisation.

#### **Ngiam Shih Chun**

Board Member

Mr Ngiam is the Deputy Secretary for Industry in the Ministry of Trade and Industry, where he oversees policies to develop Singapore's economy. He was formerly the Special Assistant to Emeritus Senior Minister in the Prime Minister's Office. Prior to that, he was the Director of Community Relations and Engagement at the Ministry of Community Development, Youth and Sports (MCYS) where he promoted community bonding and racial and religious harmony, and helped to develop volunteerism and philanthropy. He was also concurrently the Director of the Social Sector Planning Unit. Mr Ngiam has also served in the Ministry of Home Affairs and the Ministry of Education.

## **Seah Kian Peng**

Board Member

Deputy Speaker of Parliament and a Member of Parliament for the Marine Parade GRC, Mr Seah is also the Chief Executive Officer (Singapore) of NTUC Fairprice Co-operative Limited. In addition, he is the Chairman of the Government Parliamentary Committee for Social and Family Development, and also a board member of the International Co-operative Alliance, co-chair of the Social Enterprise Association of Singapore, and a board member of the Centre for Fathering and Health Promotion Board. Mr Seah has worked in both the public and private sectors, and serves in various public and community organisations.

#### **Andreas Sohmen-Pao**

Board Member

Mr Sohmen-Pao is the Chief Executive
Officer of BW Maritime Pte Ltd, one of
the world's leading maritime groups.
He is a non-executive director of BW
Offshore Limited, The Hongkong and
Shanghai Banking Corporation Ltd and The
Esplanade Co. Ltd, and is also a member
of the Singapore Sports Council and the
Singapore Symphony Orchestra Council.

Mr Sohmen-Pao previously worked for Goldman Sachs International in London and served from 2006 to 2012 as a director of the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore. He holds an honours degree (BA Hons) from Oxford University and an MBA from Harvard Business School.

#### **Warren Fernandez**

Board Member

Mr Fernandez is the Editor of The Straits Times. He has been with the Singapore Press Holdings for almost two decades, during which he served in many roles including political correspondent, news editor, deputy political editor, foreign editor and deputy editor. Mr Fernandez has served on a number of public committees such as the Remaking Singapore Committee, the Singapore 21 Committee, Compass, and the Cost Review Committee and used to sit on the boards of the Civil Service College and National Environment Agency.

## Dr Suriani Suratman

Board Member

Dr Suriani is Senior Lecturer at the Department of Malay Studies, National University of Singapore. She is trained as a social anthropologist. Her teaching and research covers areas on Malay culture and society. She has conducted research in Singapore, Malaysia and the Philippines. She is currently Deputy Chairman of the Malay Heritage Foundation Board of Directors. She is also a board member of The National Art Gallery, Singapore. In addition, Dr Suriani is a potter and has done commissioned creative pieces for Temasek Holdings, The Sentosa Resort and Spa, National Heritage Board, Patron of the Year Award and Singapore International Foundation.