

Fireside Chat: “Career in FinTech 3.0”

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Prior to joining BOA Financial Group, Mr Leung was Chief Information & Operations Officer of China CITIC Bank International since December 2013. As a C-suite executive with a staff size of nearly 600, he managed the Bank’s IT, Operations, Corporate Services, and the FinTech Innovation Center which helped to build the first non-face-to-face remote onboarding and bank account opening App in HK. Concurrently he was a member of the Board as well as Audit Committee and Compliance Committee of CITIC Bank International (China) Ltd. Earlier on Mr Leung spent 14 years with Bank of America (Asia) which later became China Construction Bank (Asia), reaching the position of Deputy Chief Executive. His banking career also includes Standard Chartered Bank and Dao Heng Bank (now DBS).

Mr Leung graduated from Chinese University of Hong Kong in 1978 and is an Engineering Faculty Distinguished Alumni Award recipient. He received the prestigious Philips Scholarship to pursue Master’s degree study in Eindhoven, The Netherlands, followed by a Graduate Diploma (0.4st honour) in Retail Bank Management from the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, USA. Since then he worked in Philips, IBM, Computer Science of Australia and Price Waterhouse, residing in Holland, Sweden, US and Australia before returning to Hong Kong in 1996. The many public duties Mr Leung has served include President of HK Computer Society, Exco Member and FinTech Committee Chair of HK Institute of Bankers, Adjunct Professor and Information Systems Departmental Advisory Committee Chair of City University, Industry Specialist and Panel Chair of HK Council for Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications, Chairman of HK Down Syndrome Association, among others. He received a Medal of Honour in 2016 in recognition of his contribution to the society.

