

EXCHANGE FORUM

Date: 22 May 2025 **Venue:** House Studio, Soho House, 1/F, 33 Des Voeux Rd W,

Sheung Wan

A New Playbook to Market the Future

Gen Z, AI, and Experiential Retail for Business Resilience





Event Schedule

4th Marketing Exchange Forum

Time	Content and Speakers
9:00 - 9:30 am	Registration
9:30 – 9:45 am	Opening remarks
9:45 – 10:30 am	Keynote Address: Xiahongshu Insights: Navigating Market Trends and Opportunities Douglas Lau, Global Business Solutions Team (Xiaohongshu)
10:30 - 11:15 am	Panel: Global Horizons: How Chinese Brands Are Redefining International Markets Jacopo Pesavento, CEO & Founder (Branding Records) Audrey Ma, Senior Director & General Manager HK, MO, TW, SEA (Poizon Global) Filippo Gori, Business Development consultant Moderator: Esterina Nervino, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Marketing, Associate Director, SMCU (CityUHK)
11:15 - 11:30 am	Coffee Break
11:30 - 11:45 am	Academic Presentation: Marketing in the Age of Al: The New Rules of Creativity Esterina Nervino, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Marketing, Associate Director, SMCU (CityUHK)
11:45 - 12:30 pm	Panel: Next-Gen Marketing: The Agentic Al Revolution Olivia He, Partner Data & Analytics (KPMG) David Ko, Managing Director 9RuderFinn Interactive) Jonathan Koh, Digital Strategy Director (Pico Group) Moderator: Chelsea Perino, Managing Director of Global Marketing & Communications (The Executive Centre)
12:30 - 2:00 pm	Lunch Break
2:00 - 2:15 pm	KPMG's Overview of Emerging Markets Anson Bailey, Head of Consumer & Retail, ASPAC (KPMG)

2:15 - 3:00 PM	Panel: The New Frontier: How to Succeed in Southeast Asia's Emerging Market
	Alessandro Tomio, Chief Commercial Officer APAC (Lacoste) Fareeda Cassumbhoy, Group Chief Digital Officer (Pico Group) Venisa Chu, Regional Sustainability Director (l'Occitane)
	MODERATOR: Anson Bailey, Head of Consumer & Retail, ASPAC (KPMG)
3:00 - 3:15 pm	Coffee Break
3:15 - 3:30 pm	Academic Presentation: Luxury Purchase Motives and Channel Preferences
	Ruonan Zhang, PhD Student Dept. of Marketing (CityUHK)
3:30 - 4:15 PM	Panel: The Retail Renaissance: Merging Design, Technology, and Experience
	Philippe Chan, General Manager (YouGov) Charly Kim, Senior Manager - Loyalty & /Digital Customer Experience (Starbucks Asia Pacific) Jaime Martin Chocano, Managing Director (Edrington)
	MODERATOR: Esterina Nervino , Assistant Professor, Dept. of Marketing, Associate Director, SMCU (City University of Hong Kong)
4:15 - 4:30 PM	Academic Presentation: "Dislike Me, But Like My Dog": Branding Strategies When Endorsers Behave Badly
	Vincent Wong, Associate Professor Department of Marketing (CityUHK)
4:30 - 5:00 PM	Panel: Gen Z on stage: The Future of Workforce
	FONG Kei Yin Max, Year 4 BBA in Marketing (CityUHK) Lam Kwok Fung Alex, Year 4 BBA in Marketing (CityUHK) ADRITA Farah Ferdous, Year 4 BBA in Management (CityUHK) Alexandros Trakakis, Year 3 BBA in Management (CityUHK)
	MODERATOR: Vincent Wong, Associate Professor Department of Marketing (CityUHK)
5:00 - 5:15 PM	Concluding Remarks
5:45 - 7:15 PM	Networking Cocktail

Speakers



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