



## Women's Directorship Programme Programme Agenda- Session 1

**Session 1: 6-8 May (Thursday - Saturday) & 17-19 June (Thursday - Saturday)  
Deliver Online by Zoom – Half Day Session**

### **Thursday, 6 May 2021**

- 13:20-13:30           **Online Registration**
- 13:30-13:40           **Welcome and Programme Overview**  
Professor Haipeng Shen, HKU Business School  
Kirti Lad, Meraki Executive Search & Consulting
- 13:40-13:45           **Announcement: House Keeping Rules**  
Nan Xia, HKU Business School , Executive Education
- 13:45-15:00           **Module 1: The Roles and Responsibilities of Board Members**  
David Lee, HKU Business School  
This module will engage participants to enhance their understanding of core corporate governance principles. Specifically, participants will gain additional knowledge and insight into the critical roles a board and its supporting committees play. This module will highlight practical insights regarding the roles and responsibilities of independent non-executive directors (iNEDs) on the finance, audit, risk oversight and remuneration committees. Additionally, this module will discuss responsibilities of the nomination committee and explore effective processes for making board appointments.
- 15:00-15:15           **Break**
- 15:15-16:30           **Module 1: The Roles and Responsibilities of Board Members**  
David Lee, HKU Business School
- 16:30-16:45           **Group Discussion: Breakout room**
- 16:45-17:00           **Break**
- 17:00-17:30           **Module 1: The Roles and Responsibilities of Board Members**  
David Lee, HKU Business School



**Friday, 7 May 2021**

- 13:25-13:30           **Online Registration**
- 13:30-15:15           **Module 1 (Continue): The Roles and Responsibilities of Board Members**  
David Lee, HKU Business School
- 15:15-15:30           **Break**
- 15:30-17:25           **Module 1 (Continue): The Roles and Responsibilities of Board Members**  
David Lee, HKU Business School
- 17:25-17:30           **Submit the Evaluation Form**

**Saturday, 8 May 2021**

- 13:25-13:30           **Online Registration**
- 13:30-14:30           **Guest Speaker Session**  
Jean-Pascal Tricoire, Chairman & CEO of Schneider Electric
- 14:30-14:45           **Break**
- 14:45-15:45           **Guest Speaker Session**  
Pru Bennett, Partner of Brunswick Group
- 15:45-16:00           **Break**
- 16:00-17:00           **Guest Speaker Session**  
Ruth Markland, INED of Deloitte & former SID of Standard Chartered Bank
- 17:00-17:05           **Wrap-up and submit the Evaluation Form**  
Kirti Lad, Meraki Executive Search & Consulting Limited

**Thursday, 17 Jun 2021**

- 13:25-13:30           **Online Registration**
- 13:30-13:35           **Announcement: House Keeping Rules**  
Nan Xia, Executive Education, HKU Business School,
- 13:35-15:05           **Module 2: Strategic Leadership**  
David Lee, HKU Business School  
To achieve organizational goals, board directors as leaders, must collaborate with people across and outside of their organizational boundaries – striving to acquire new ideas, knowledge, and resources. This module will explore such strategic thinking, focused on how a board leader can strategically navigate a complex environment that includes new risk challenges, constant advances in technology, and dynamic business requirements. By identifying, understanding, and linking the key strategic issues facing listed companies, a board leader is better situated to advise the board and managing executives.
- 15:05-15:20           **Break**
- 15:20-16:20           **Module 2: Strategic Leadership**  
David Lee, HKU Business School
- 16:20-16:35           **Break**
- 16:35-17:05           **Module 2: Strategic Leadership**  
David Lee, HKU Business School
- 17:05-17:10           **Wrap-up and submit the Evaluation Form**  
Kirti Lad, Meraki Executive Search & Consulting Limited

**Friday, 18 Jun 2021**

- 13:25-13:30 **Online Registration**
- 13:30-15:00 **Module 3: Ethnics and Compliance**  
David Bishop, HKU Business School  
One of the most important functions of an independent director is to serve as a “watch dog,” providing objectivity and helping to ensure corporate decisions are ethical. Two of the most important keys for corporate ethical decision making are diversity and independence, and as a female INED, you bring both to the Board. This session will discuss the importance of ethics to corporate profitability and sustainability. We will focus on the dangers of making decisions based on short-term profitability measures, and the importance of a clear enumeration of corporate values.
- 15:00-15:15 **Break**
- 15:15-17:00 **Module 3: Ethnics and Compliance**  
David Bishop, HKU Business School
- 17:00-17:05 **Wrap-up**  
Kirti Lad, Meraki Executive Search & Consulting Limited

**Saturday, 19 Jun 2021**

- 13:25-13:30 **Online Registration**
- 13:30-15:00 **Module 3 (Continue): Ethnics and Compliance**  
David Bishop, HKU Business School
- 15:00-15:15 **Break**
- 15:15-17:00 **Module 3 (Continue): Ethnics and Compliance**  
David Bishop, HKU Business School
- 17:00-17:05 **Submit the Evaluation Form**