

# **Swiss Re Asia Pte. Ltd.**

(UEN: 201737271G)

A company registered in Singapore

## **Board of Directors Biodata**

(as at December 2022)

Swiss Re Asia Pte. Ltd. is a reinsurance company incorporated in Zurich, Switzerland on 13 September 1919. It is registered in Singapore since 31 December 2017.



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**Lim Siong Guan**

Chairman of the Board of Directors  
Swiss Re Asia Pte. Ltd.

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Mr Lim Siong Guan is the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Swiss Re Asia Pte. Ltd. He was elected to the Board with effect from 31 December 2017.

Mr Lim is a member of the Board of Directors of Wilmar International Ltd., a member of the International Board of the stars Foundation of Switzerland, and the founder chairman of Honour (Singapore).

Mr Lim was the Group President of GIC from September 2007 to December 2016. GIC manages the financial reserves of the Singapore government. He was concurrently Chairman of GIC Asset Management (GAM) which invests in public market instruments, Chairman of GIC Real Estate which invests in real estate and Chairman of GIC Special Investments which invests in private equity and infrastructure. He was subsequently the Advisor to the GIC Group Executive Committee from January 2017 to March 2019.

Prior to GIC, Mr Lim was Chairman of the Singapore Economic Development Board (EDB) from 2006 to 2009. The EDB is the Singapore government's lead agency for planning and executing strategies to enhance Singapore's position as a global business centre. Much of its work is attracting international corporations to set up manufacturing and services activities in Singapore as critical links in the global supply chain.

Since 2005, Mr Lim has been a Professor at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy at the National University of Singapore, where his particular area of interest are leadership, change management and national governance, as well as a Senior Fellow of the Singapore Civil Service College since 2006.

Mr Lim was the Head of the Singapore Civil Service from 1999 to 2005. He has been the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Defence (1981–1994), the Prime Minister's Office (1994–1998), the Ministry of Education (1997–1999) and the Ministry of Finance (1999–2006). In every appointment, he introduced innovative policies and practices, which enhanced the drive, capacity, capability and performance of the organisation.

Mr Lim has also chaired the Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore (2004–2006), the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority (2004–2006) and the Central Provident Fund Board (1986–1994). He has been a board member of many companies, including Temasek, the other sovereign wealth fund manager of Singapore.



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**Deanna Ong Aun Nee**

Member of the Board of Directors

Swiss Re Asia Pte. Ltd.

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Ms Deanna Ong was elected to the Board of Directors of Swiss Re Asia Pte. Ltd. with effect from 31 December 2017. She also chairs the Audit Committee.

Ms Ong was appointed as a Board Director of Swiss Re Ltd. on 17 April 2020, She was also appointed as a Board Director of Swiss Reinsurance Company Ltd. on 25 March 2020.

Ms Ong is the Chief People Officer and Managing Director at GIC, responsible for Human Resource & Organization, and Corporate Governance for the GIC group. GIC is a global investment management company which manages the foreign reserves of the Government of Singapore. GIC invests internationally in public equities, fixed income, real estate, private equity and infrastructure assets.

As Chief People Officer, Ms Ong oversees people strategy to attract, develop and retain talent for organisational performance, seeded with the right values and culture. As a member of the Group Executive Committee, her areas of focus include talent acquisition, leadership development, reward and culture for business effectiveness. As Company Secretary, she oversees Corporate Governance and Client relations.

Ms Ong was previously Director Finance from 2009 to 2014, where she headed the Finance Group responsible for financial management across GIC's portfolio, covering financing arrangements for assets, tax planning, investment holding structures, accounting and management of revenue and expenditure.

Since joining GIC in 1994, Ms Ong has managed various finance roles covering public and private market assets. Prior to GIC, she was a Tax Accountant with Arthur Andersen. She holds a Bachelor of Accountancy from the Nanyang Technological University of Singapore, and completed the Stanford Executive Programme. Ms Ong is a board member of the International Forum of Sovereign Wealth Funds.



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**Masaaki Shirakawa**  
Member of the Board of Directors  
Swiss Re Asia Pte. Ltd.

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Professor Masaaki Shirakawa was elected to the Board of Directors of Swiss Re Asia Pte. Ltd. with effect from 31 December 2017. He is also a member of the Audit Committee.

Professor Shirakawa was the former Governor of the Bank of Japan. He was appointed as Governor in April 2008 and left the Bank in March 2013. He was Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Bank for International Settlements (BIS) between January 2011 and March 2013. Currently, he is a Distinguished Guest Professor at Aoyama Gakuin University and a member of the Group of Thirty.

Professor Shirakawa joined the Bank of Japan in 1972. His career encompassed both monetary policy and financial stability. He held key positions including executive director in charge of monetary policy.

Born in 1949, Professor Shirakawa studied economics at the University of Tokyo (B.A. in 1972) and at the University of Chicago (M.A. in 1977). From July 2006 until March 2008, he was Professor at the Kyoto University School of Government.



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**Urs Buchmann**

Member of the Board of Directors  
Swiss Re Asia Pte. Ltd.

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Dr. Urs Buchmann was elected to the Board of Directors of Swiss Re Asia Pte. Ltd. with effect 31 December 2017.

Dr. Buchmann serves as Vice-Chairman of Credit Suisse Hong Kong Ltd. as of January 1st, 2021. In this capacity he performs the role of a senior client sponsor while participating in the formulation and execution of the bank's strategic initiatives, notably as far as Greater China is concerned.

Dr. Buchmann joined Credit Suisse Group in 1985 and became the bank's Chief Representative in 1987. He was eventually promoted to the position of the Country Head for Credit Suisse First Boston's China organization. From 1997, he served as the Head for Credit Suisse Financial Services in China and as of 2007, as Head China Corporate Banking in the context of the integrated Credit Suisse One Bank Organization.

In September 2009, Dr. Buchmann was appointed as a member of the Credit Suisse Corporate & Institutional Clients Management Committee and in August 2015 as a Vice-Chairman Corporate & Institutional Clients APAC. In this capacity, he coordinated the activities of the various Credit Suisse business units pursuing interests in the corporate and institutional areas in China and Asia.

Prior to joining Credit Suisse, Dr. Buchmann worked on the editorial board of 《Neue Zürcher Zeitung, Switzerland's leading business daily covering macro-economic and corporate topics.

Dr. Buchmann was the Chairman of the first ever sino-foreign private equity fund in China and serves on various corporate boards in industry and finance in Asia and Europe.

Dr. Buchmann was educated in Belgium and Switzerland graduating with a Ph.D. in International Public Law from the University of Berne.



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**Melissa Babbage**

Member of the Board of Directors  
Swiss Re Asia Pte. Ltd.

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Ms Melissa Babbage was elected to the Board of Directors of Swiss Re Asia Pte. Ltd. with effect from 1 April 2020. She is also a member of the Finance & Risk Committee.

Ms Babbage is a highly experienced financial services professional with a 20-year investment banking career spanning both international and domestic financial and commodity markets. She joined Deutsche Bank Australia in 1997 as a Commodities Derivatives Trader and from 2000 to 2011 was Managing Director holding the portfolios of Asia-Pacific Head of Commodities, Head of Foreign Exchange and Head of Global Finance & Foreign Exchange. Ms Babbage served as a Global Executive Committee member of several capital markets business lines, spending significant time in London, New York and Singapore, aside from Sydney. Prior to joining Deutsche Bank, Ms Babbage worked as a trader with Bankers Trust Australia.

Ms Babbage is a non-executive member of several Boards spreading across different industries including the Board of Flirtey Holdings, a Reno-Nevada based drone delivery company, and the Board of American-Australian Association. She also serves as a member of the Governing Board of St Albans School USA. She is a member of the Ord Minnett Private Opportunities Fund Investment Committee and a non-executive director of 1941 Capital Pty Ltd.

Ms Babbage has previously served on various boards in the health and finance sectors including several of Swiss Re's Australia and USA entities, Q Super Ltd (and Q Invest Ltd.), a not-for-profit superannuation fund based in Brisbane, Queensland, Mercer Investments Australia, St Vincent's Health Australia and IOOF Foundation in Australia as well as the University of NSW US Foundation.

Ms Babbage holds a Master of Commerce (Finance & Economics) from the University of New South Wales. She also completed the Oxford Fintech Program conducted by University of Oxford Said Business School and the ELLE Fashion and Luxury Management Program conducted by MIT-Sloan.



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**John Dacey**

Member of the Board of Directors  
Swiss Re Asia Pte. Ltd.

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Mr John Dacey was elected to the Board of Directors of Swiss Re Asia Pte. Ltd. with effect from 31 December 2017. He is also a member of the Finance & Risk Committee.

Mr Dacey was appointed as Swiss Re's Group Chief Financial Officer with effect from 1 April 2018. He joined Swiss Re in October 2012 and was appointed Group Chief Strategy Officer and member of the Group Executive Committee as of November 2012. He also served as Chairman Admin Re® from November 2012 to May 2015.

Mr Dacey started his career in 1986 at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. From 1990 to 1998, he was a consultant and subsequently Partner at McKinsey & Company. He joined Winterthur Insurance in 1998 and was its Chief Financial Officer from 2000 to 2004 as well as member of its Group Executive Board until 2007. From 2005 to 2007, he was Chief Strategy Officer and a member of its risk and investment committees. He joined AXA in 2007 as Group Regional Chief Executive Officer and Group Vice Chairman for Asia-Pacific as well as member of their Group Executive Committee.

Mr Dacey holds a Master's degree in Public Policy from Harvard University (1984-1986) and a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from Washington University St Louis (1978-1982).



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**Torben Thomsen**  
Member of the Board of Directors  
Swiss Re Asia Pte. Ltd.

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Mr Torben Thomsen was elected to the Board of Directors of Swiss Re Asia Pte. Ltd. with effect from 8 February 2022. He also chairs the Finance & Risk Committee.

Mr Thomsen is also Swiss Re Group's Chief Risk Officer Reinsurance. He joined Swiss Re in June 2006.

Mr Thomsen has over 30 years' experience in global reinsurance with more than 20 years of experience in senior leadership positions managing global and regional teams across multiple locations and continents. He began his career as a pricing actuary with Nordisk Re (later GE Insurance Solutions) in Denmark. He has managed various roles in GE Insurance Solutions including Head of its Continental Europe Life & Health Business, Executive for Sales and Pricing in the London office and Leader of the Life & Health department in Copenhagen.

He joined Swiss Re following the acquisition of GE Insurance Solutions in June 2006 and was appointed the Chief Pricing Officer for Life & Health Products. From 2014 to 2018, he was appointed as the Chief Risk Officer Reinsurance EMEA & Head Risk Management Reinsurance Life & Health and in July 2018 he was appointed the Chief Risk Officer Reinsurance.

Mr Thomsen holds an MScs in Actuarial Science and Mathematics & Economics from the University of Copenhagen and the University of Aarhus.





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**Paul Murray**

Chief Executive Officer Reinsurance Asia / Regional President Asia  
Member of the Board of Directors  
Swiss Re Asia Pte. Ltd.

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Mr Paul Murray was elected to the Board of Directors of Swiss Re Asia Pte. Ltd. with effect from 1 April 2022.

He was also appointed Chief Executive Officer Reinsurance Asia and Regional President Asia, and member of the Swiss Re Group Executive Committee, as of 1 April 2022.

Mr Murray joined Swiss Re in 2003 as a Marketing Actuary, and was appointed as Managing Director, Head of Life & Health Products, UK, Ireland and Africa in 2006. From 2010 to 2014, he held the position of Managing Director, Head of Life & Health Products, Asia, while based in Hong Kong. In 2014, he returned to London where he was Chief Pricing Officer and Head of the Life & Health Products Centre. Since 2018, he has been Global Head of Life & Health Products, responsible for supporting transformation of insurance markets globally, and additionally leading the Swiss Re Sustainability initiative for Life & Health.

Prior to joining Swiss Re, Mr Murray held various roles as consulting actuary and student actuary.

Mr Murray has a MA (Hons) degree in Mathematics from Glasgow University, after earlier graduating with a diploma in Actuarial Science from Heriot Watt University (Scottish Amicable scholarship).