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Bernard has extensive experience in wealth structuring and corporate and family governance. During his career, he has held senior roles in law, industry, trust and banking. His primary focus entails working with UHNW families globally on ownership succession including family and ownership structuring and ongoing ownership governance. Bernard spent 20 years in Hong Kong as Asia Regional Head (and then from 2008, CEO) of HSBC International Trustee Limited (HSBC's private trust, wealth structuring and succession planning business globally) and, concurrently from 2011, as the Regional Head, Asia-Pacific of HSBC Private Bank (during which time he was also a member of the HSBC Group Asia-Pacific Executive Committee which oversees all of HSBC Group's operations throughout the region).

Bernard is past Chairman and a current Exco Member of the Hong Kong Branch of the Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners, past Chairman of the Hong Kong Trustees' Association, past Chairman of the Private Banking Sub-committee of the Hong Kong Association of Banks, has served as a member of the Financial Services Advisory Committee of the Hong Kong Trade Development Council, as a member of the STEP Global Business Families Committee, as a member of the Joint Liaison Committee on Trust Law Reform, as a member of the International Advisory Board of the University of Canterbury and as a member of the advisory boards of a number of public and private charitable foundations.

Bernard has been awarded the *George Tasker Founder's Award* by STEP globally and voted *Leading Individual (Banker)* in the 2016 Wealthbriefing Asia awards.

## **Career Path**

- Read Law at University of Canterbury, Christchurch
- Partner of law firm in NZ
- General Counsel NZ Securities Commission
- Company Secretary/General Counsel for listed energy company
- CEO HSBC International Trustee Limited
- Regional Head Asia-Pacific, HSBC Private Bank and Member of the HSBC Group Asia-Pacific Executive Committee
- Principal, InterGen Capital Partners Limited