

# KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

## MR. MICHAEL FONG, JP

Director of Civil Engineering and Development Department,  
HKSAR Government



Mr Michael Fong is currently the Director of Civil Engineering and Development, leading the department in advancing Hong Kong's new town development and land supply projects, among which are the Northern Metropolis, which serves as a key driver for the social and economic growth of Hong Kong.

Over the past 30 years, Michael has held numerous positions in various work departments, as well as the Development Bureau. He is widely known in the construction industry as a determined champion of construction collaboration, safety and innovation technologies.

## MR. ANDROSS CHAN

Vice - Chairman of Asian Habitat Society  
Managing Director - Earthasia Ltd  
CEO – Graphex Group Ltd.



Andross Chan holds a Bachelor of Landscape Architecture from the University of Toronto and a Master of Architecture and Planning from Tongji University. With over 40 years of experience in landscape architecture and planning, he specializes in tourism destination planning and design, providing creative solutions for the operational management of completed projects. His portfolio includes large-scale public and private developments, such as the Pennys Bay Resort Development in Hong Kong SAR and Anhui Hefei Central Park in Chinese Mainland - among the largest landscape architecture projects of their kind in both regions. He is a Fellow Member of the Hong Kong Institute of Landscape Architects (FHKILA), a Registered Landscape Architect in Hong Kong, and a Full Member of the Ontario Association of Landscape Architects (OALA), Canadian Society of Landscape Architects (CSLA), American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA), and UK Landscape Institute. Additionally, he served as Past President of the Hong Kong Institute of Landscape Architects.

Since 2019, Andross Chan has led the company to develop the new energy application sector including anodes for lithium batteries of electric vehicles and explore the energy storage applications for parks and cities.

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## MR. VINCENT NG, SBS, JP

Former Chairman of Harbourfront Commission, HKSAR



Vincent Ng is an award-winning artist, architect and urban designer. In 1999, he founded the architectural and urban design practice AGC Design Limited. Ng's expertise encompasses commercial and institutional architecture, urban design and heritage revitalization. His portfolio covers a diverse range of commercial and institutional architecture including residential, offices, retails, universities, churches and healthcare facilities.

Over the years, Ng has taken up various roles in government bodies in Hong Kong, particularly in areas of harbourfront planning, urban design, environmental protection, land supply and urban regeneration.

He was the President of the Hong Kong Institute of Architects in 2015-16 and Chairman of Harbourfront Commission from 2018 to 2024. He is currently Chairman of the Land and Development Advisory Committee of the HKSAR.

During his tenure as the Chairman of the Harbourfront Commission, he has led the Commission to break new grounds in advancing harbourfront development with innovative ideas, such as the "incremental approach", "pop-up art/street installations" and "harbourfront shared spaces" concepts. His contributions through engaging different stakeholders in an efficient and pragmatic manner to promote the harbourfront work are extraordinary.

Ng is also a columnist writing regularly on architecture and urban design. As a painter, he holds solo and group exhibitions including "RECUERDOS"(2022), "Symphony of Victoria (2023)" and "Vita in Movimento (2023-24)"

In recognition of his unwavering contributions in the public arena, Ng was appointed a Justice of the Peace by the HKSAR Government in 2014, and was awarded the Silver Bauhinia Star in 2022. He was conferred Honorary Fellowship of the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology in 2024 in recognition of his architectural achievements and public services.

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## MS. HOSHINO SACHIYO



Special Adviser to the Regional Director  
UN-Habitat Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific

Ms. Hoshino joined UN-Habitat in 2004 where she has worked on reconstruction and technology-transfer projects in Iraq and in many countries across Asia and Pacific region. Currently she serves as the focal point for solid waste management and works on projects in Asia and Africa regions. In Japan she serves a number of advisory and committee member roles in government, public and academic institutions. She holds a master's degree in urban policies, and in prior to joining UN-Habitat she worked for a global investment bank.

## MR. WOO SHIN KOO



Professor Dept. of Architecture Pusan, National University,  
Master Architect & Planner for Busan Metropolitan City,  
Chairman of Architectural Policy Committee of Busan Metropolitan City

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2024 How To Make Livable City Busan, Nuri Publishing Co., Seoul, Korea

## MS. UCHIDA YUI



Chief of the City Design Section - Area Level Development Department,  
Fukuoka City Housing, Urban Planning & Green Infrastructure Bureau

Ms. Uchida joined the Fukuoka City Government in 2007.

She has experience of working in various sections, including the Land & Property Section, the Public Facility Construction Section, and the Housing Planning Section.

Currently, she is involved in urban landscape administration, including the formulation of landscape plans, in the City Design Section.

She graduated from the Kyushu University Graduate School of Design and holds a first-class architect license. During her time at university, she majored Green Environmental Design, focusing on landscape design and the planning and design of green spaces in a laboratory.