

Webinar – Safeguarding performance in a downturn: ‘the rise of operational value creation’

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Speakers’ bio



Josh Lewsey, Partner, EY-Parthenon

Josh is an EY-Parthenon Strategy and Transactions Partner and the practice leader for value creation and turnaround in Hong Kong.

With 17 years' experience working across financial services and in operational management, he supports owners and senior executives with strategy and leading transformation and turnarounds. Since being in HK this has predominantly been with inbound multinational firms working across Asia-Pacific on growth market strategies or in optimising under-performing companies and business units to rapidly enhance performance and consequent valuation. The above builds on time spent in capital markets and as an advisor to asset managers and corporate investor relations teams.

Josh has studied at Harvard, Insead and Imperial College London Business Schools, the College of Law and holds a number of professional certifications. He participates as a member of the Hong Kong Healthcare Business Board, the British Chamber's China Committee and has been awarded an honorary Doctorate and MBE.



Claudia Polli, Director, Strategy and Transactions, EY-Parthenon

Claudia is an EY-Parthenon Strategy and Transactions Director, primarily focused on value creation and strategy implementation.

She has extensive experience working with C-Suite clients across multiple industries on large scale transformation, strategy execution and operational improvement projects. Increasingly this focus is shifting to optimising underperforming businesses and helping leadership identify and realise sources of untapped value.

Claudia is passionate about sustainability and has been involved in a number of initiatives related to ESG and long term value creation.

Prior to joining EY, Claudia worked with PwC and Accenture in London and Hong Kong respectively.



John Levack, Vice Chairman, HKVCA

John Levack has been Vice Chairman of HKVCA since 2010 and chairs the Technical and Education Committees. He was also a member of the Financial Services Development Council (a 50-person body appointed to advise the Chief Executive of Hong Kong on reforms for the financial sector – from inception of the Council for a time-limited 6 years). John established a Hong Kong-based, pan-Asian private equity business in 1995, Electra Partners Asia Limited investing capital on behalf of Electra Private Equity plc. Prior to this, John spent 12 years with 3i plc, initially in the UK but finishing with 4 years based in India. John has a BSc in Business Administration from Bath University in the UK.