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Bio

Karen Contet Farzam is passionate about Technology and Startups, co-founder & Chief Hustler of WHub.io - Hong Kong biggest startup community - co-founder & CEO of AngelHub - Hong Kong first regulated startup investment platform - and a founding board member of the FinTech Association of Hong Kong - co-lead the Best Practices on Token Sale published end of 2017 and board sponsor of the Policy and Advocacy Committee.

Immersed in the startup scene, she is a French Foreign Trade Advisor, Community Leader for Techstars, Accelerator Programs Mentor, International Conference Speaker (InspireFest2018 in Dublin, JS conference in Singapore, Vivatech in France, RISE in Hong Kong), FrenchTech Ambassador and WomenWhoCodeHK Founder.

Karen has been working in Asia for 13 years, starting in Tokyo as JP Morgan Exotic Equity Derivatives Trader to Software Engineer for an IoT Startup and teaching Front-End Web Development.

Karen has a double degree engineering diploma (France EPF - Canada ETS) and Master in Finance International from HEC Paris.

WHub

<u>WHub.io</u> is Hong Kong's biggest startup community, showcasing more than 75% of Hong Kong's startups on its platform and helping them to connect to the resources they need to scale their business. It also hosts an increasing number of HK subsidiaries from startups around the globe eager to expand to Asia.

WHub is based on 3 pillars:

- Connecting the Community Connecting startups with other startups, corporates, universities, government, accelerators, incubators and investors,
- Recruitment: Showcasing Job Opportunities and Talent and organizing Job Fairs for Startups and Talent
- Education Event organizers, supporter of global conferences and publisher/editor of white papers on the HK Startup Ecosystem and HK FinTech Ecosystem

Fascinating Journey of Whub

Whub's tagline is #StartupPassion – as WHub's mission and passion is to help startups innovate and scale, as well as to foster the growth of the entire ecosystem. Set-up to connect startups to the resources, know-how and visibility needed to raise capital, create employment and build innovation, startups showcase on WHub not only their products and services, but moreover their most important asset: Their Mission, #Passion and Team.

Founded in Hong Kong, the platform went live with a jobs board to help startups recruit and gain visibility. The services quickly expanded and now offer a full range of connecting startups to all resources and ecosystem stakeholders, on-line and/or via off-line events, as well as to different ecosystems globally. This includes corporates, investors, government organizations, universities and main stream media.

AngelHub

There is no doubt, tech entrepreneurs are revolutionizing the way we live. The opportunity to capture this entrepreneurial spirit that is driving the economy and inspiring the world is real. It is coming in the form of a new regulated platform: AngelHub—the first Hong Kong regulated startup investment platform connecting an exclusive group of Professional Investors to growth stage ventures.

<u>International Conference Keynote - Video</u>

- InspireFest2018 in Dublin Fintech in China The Future of Money
- JSConf2015 in Singapore The Route of HTTP/2

Latest Media Articles

- Financial Times Career Profile: from engineer to trader to entrepreneur June 2018
- Silicon Republic The future of money might mean we don't take case June 2018
- InsightsSuccess "The 30 Crazy Fastest Growing Companies in 2017" December 2017

WHub Publications:

- HK Startup Ecosystem White Paper
- HK FinTech Ecosystem White Paper

Latest article:

- HongKongEcho FinTech: a natural evolution for the finance industry September 2018
- <u>Democratizing Startup Investment</u>
- Summary on Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA) sharing session "Bank Account Opening and Maintenance"
- Looking Back to Move Forward

FinTech Association of Hong Kong Publication:

Best Practices for Token Sales