

Speaker's bio



Jie Gong, Partner, Pantheon Ventures (HK) (Moderator)

Jie Gong is a Partner at Pantheon, and a member of the firm's Asia Regional Investment Committee and the Global Co-investment Committee. Jie joined Pantheon from Morgan Stanley Alternative Investment Partners' private equity fund of funds group, where she led Asian investment activity and was a member of the Global Investment Committee. Before that she was a Vice President at JPMorgan responsible for leverage finance deal origination, structuring and execution in Greater China. Previously she worked at the International Finance Corporation on emerging market debt and equity investments. Jie received a Masters in Finance from London Business School, an MA in Economics from University of Miami and a BA in Economics and International Trade from Shanghai International Studies University. Jie is Vice Chairman of the Hong Kong Venture Capital and Private Equity Association (HKVCA) and serves on its board. She founded and chairs HKVCA's ESG committee, and co-chairs its LP committee. She is also a committee member of United Nation Principle of Responsible Investment Private Equity Advisory Committee (UNPRI PEAC).



Denise Mak, Partner, CVC Capital Partners

Partner, joined CVC in 2005. Denise is a member of the Capital Markets team and is based in Hong Kong. She also covers Client & Product Solutions for CVC's Asia private equity funds. Prior to joining CVC, she worked in the Debt Capital Markets and the M&A departments at J.P. Morgan. Denise is a CFA Charterholder and holds an AB degree cum laude in Applied Mathematics from Harvard University, US.



Amy Fong, COO, FountainVest Partners

Amy is the Chief Operating Officer as well as the Chair of ESG Committee at FountainVest Partners (Asia) Limited. FountainVest Partners was founded in 2007 and is a leading Asian private equity fund with offices in Hong Kong, Shanghai and Beijing. Prior to joining FountainVest in late 2019, Amy worked for 4 years as the CEO of Save the Children Hong Kong.

Before Save the Children, Amy spent nearly two decades in financial services with institutions including JP Morgan, Credit Suisse, and Merrill Lynch, working in the US and Asia, having worked as an investment banker, head of strategy, COO and Head of Regulatory Change Management. Amy is a Board Member of Langdi Pharmaceutical and serves on the Board of Rädda Barnen Service AB, a Swedish social enterprise focusing on Child Rights in business. She is a graduate of Georgetown University and has an MBA from Columbia University and she was also a Certified Public Accountant qualified in the District of Columbia, USA. Amy is a Hong Kong native and has a 21-year old daughter and a 16-year old son. She is a spiritual practitioner and teaches meditation as a volunteer on a regular basis.



Lorna Chen, Asia Regional Managing Partner & Head of Greater China, Shearman & Sterling

Apart from serving as regional leader, Lorna Chen is also a member of the firm's Executive Group. Lorna founded and leads our asset management and investment funds practice in Asia. Lorna has 25 years of experience across the United States, Europe and Asia in the corporate law area, including 20 years in the investment funds and private equity field. She advises clients in the structuring, restructuring, formation and operation of alternative investment products, including private equity

funds, venture capital funds, hedge funds, real estate funds, funds of funds, project funds and co-investment structures.

Lorna has extensive experience in cross-border transactions representing top global institutional clients such as the world's major sovereign wealth funds, wealth management platforms, commercial and policy banks, insurance companies, as well as family offices and start-up companies.

Lorna is a frequent speaker at major regional conferences and is regularly interviewed by the financial media in Asia. She has also been consistently rated a leading lawyer by various independent ranking publications.



Bonnie Lo, Partner, TPG NewQuest

Bonnie is a founding partner and COO of NewQuest. Bonnie oversees the finance, investor relations, operations and administrative functions of NewQuest.

Bonnie has over 20 years' experience in finance and investing. Prior to taking on the COO role, Bonnie was co-head of China business for NewQuest. Prior to founding NewQuest, Bonnie was a Director in Bank of America Merrill Lynch's (BAML) Asia Private Equity group focusing on investments in Greater China. Bonnie has also held other positions within BAML including in the Corporate Principal Investments and Investment Banking groups. She also previously worked at 3i Group plc focusing on growth capital investments in Greater China.

Bonnie has an Executive MBA from EMBA-Global Asia, a joint program between Columbia Business School, University of Hong Kong Business School and London Business School. She received her undergraduate degree in Economics and East Asian Studies, magna cum laude, from Brown University in Providence, RI.

Bonnie also serves on the Board of the Hong Kong Venture Capital and Private Equity Association (HKVCA). Bonnie is fluent in English, Cantonese and Mandarin.



Danny Lee, Managing Partner, VCA Capital

Danny Lee is an experienced investor with over 24 years of global private equity experience spanning venture, growth and buyouts. He is currently managing VCA Capital Fund I, helping individuals and family offices manage their private equity portfolio globally through both fund and direct investments. Danny is also a senior advisor to Blue Pool Capital where he was a partner running global private equity since 2015. Before that he was a managing director at Bain Capital and Vice President at Investor AB, the largest industrial holding company in the Nordic region. He started his career with Lehman Brothers in NY. Danny has a BA in Economics from Columbia and is a CFA Charter holder.

Danny is an Aspen Finance Fellow and Edmund Hillary Fellow. He sits on the investment committee for New Zealand Elevate Venture Fund, on the board of the HK Venture Capital and Private Equity Association, and is the chairman of Seed Foundation, a youth education NGO sponsored by Alibaba Entrepreneur Fund. He is also the founding patron for the M+ Museum and the HK Palace Museum.