



# Committees Newsletter

October – December 2017

## The newsletter of the French Chamber committees:

# Intercommittee link

### **Communication:**

With a view to reduce the number of e-mails sent out, most **notices of meetings will be sent through Outlook invitations**: Members who do not want to or cannot connect to the website, will have the possibility to **simply Accept or Decline the invitations** (or Accept tentatively if not certain) and the Committees team will record the answer and do the registration for them. Yet, **Members are invited to continue to register online** for those who can, and link will be provided in the invitation sent.

### **Minutes of meeting:**

It was decided, during last Committees Presidents meeting, that only **decisions or actions decided by the committee will be recorded in the minutes of meeting**. Contents or exchanges between members will not be summarized any more, and will remain the privilege of Members who attend the meetings. Yet the **link to the presentation – when shared – will continue to be provided** in the minutes.

### **Do not hesitate to spread the word regarding the support offered by the BAG:**

Projects to be sent to [committees@fccihk.com](mailto:committees@fccihk.com), and then forwarded to the BAG. Please contact us and forward the information to your contacts.

**Watches** are created on a regular basis for most committees: check your committee webpage for more information on news, events, or indexes...

### **Gentle reminder:**

To ease committee meetings organization, it would be highly appreciated that:

- ✦ Members **reply to Outlook invitations** either by registering to the meeting, or by accepting/declining the invitation;
- ✦ **Attend the said meetings when they have registered**. Meetings imply practical organization and invitation to speakers, and it is important that we know how many guests we shall welcome.

## Committees' activities

### Business Advisors group

**The aim of the Business Advisors Group (BAG) is to provide networking, advice and coaching to start-ups or companies undertaking new developments.**

#### Actions:

- ✦ BAG modus operandi: Main idea is to bring help – the approach is altruist,
- ✦ Clear difference and separation between the BAG action (counseling) linked to the Chamber, and the financial relations linked with members intuitu personae that are totally separated from the Chamber scope of actions,

#### Pitch Clinic:

This new service targets tech start-ups that are met before they go and pitch potential investors. Start-up interested can contact [committees@fccihk.com](mailto:committees@fccihk.com).

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Past meetings:

- ✦ Nov. 16, 2017 **Brainstorming**
- ✦ Nov. 24, 2017 **LevelUp**

Next meeting:

- ✦ Jan. 26, 2018 **Think it Twice**

## Chief Financial Officer Committee

This committee provides an opportunity for regional CFOs to exchange freely on common topics and get access to information that is most relevant to their daily functions. This roundtable is closed to non-CFOs.

Past meetings:

- ✦ Nov. 06, 2017 **The implementation of the BEPS**
- ✦ Dec. 04, 2017 **How can credit insurance protect your business and what challenges face CFO's in this sector!**

Next meetings:

- ✦ Jan. 29, 2018 **How to move from a segregated business model to an integrated company**
- ✦ Mar 12, 2018 **Organization of Financial departments in Asia**

Next event:

- ✦ Feb. 08, 2018 **CFO Event – WeChatPay**

## China Committee

The 2017-18 programme proposes activities on the following topics: China economics and politics, business confidence, Chinese management, digital in China, labour relations, the green economy, the 'one belt one road' initiative, as well as networking cocktails.

Past events:

- ✦ Nov. 07, 2017 **Networking Cocktail with HKGCC Europe Committee**
- ✦ Dec. 01, 2017 **The party congress: Decoding Xi Jinping's philosophy and vision**
- ✦ Dec. 05, 2017 **The party congress: Decoding Xi Jinping's philosophy and vision – 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition**

Next meetings:

- ✦ Jan. 22, 2018 **"Innovation – The Chinese Way"  
– A journey through China's innovative models**
- ✦ Mar. 05, 2018 **Climate Change**

## Corporate Sustainability Committee

This new working group focuses on corporate sustainability, not philanthropy. Members want to concentrate on business, measure the impact of sustainability on business, get concrete ideas, and are interested in hearing from practitioners. It may also launch lobbying actions.

Past meeting:

- ✦ Oct. 16, 2017 **Driving Sustainable Supply Chain through 'Business Social Compliance Initiative' and 'Business Environmental Performance Initiative'**

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Past Event:

✦ Nov. 08, 2017 **Modern Slavery: The Issue of Our Time**

Next meetings:

✦ Jan. 15, 2018 **The holistic approach of Corporate Sustainability at Link**  
✦ Mar. 05, 2018 **Partnering with charitable organisations in HK**

## Digital Innovation Committee

**This Committee mission is to share market best practices and latest insights on Digital and Innovation, educate on e-transformation process for established corporations and on lifecycle for technology start-ups.**

Past event:

✦ Nov. 09, 2017 **B2B DIGITAL: Customer Engagement, Loyalty & eCommerce**

Next meeting:

✦ Jan. 11, 2018 **Data mining and Data analytics**

## Entrepreneur Committee:

**The Entrepreneurs Committee remains the key place for Small and Medium Enterprises to meet and network.** This Committee caters particularly to the needs of small companies and OPCs. We believe that diversity creates dynamism and that experience-sharing benefits each and every entrepreneur. In that respect, we organise seminars and exchange sessions specifically targeted to members' needs.

Past meeting:

✦ Nov. 29, 2017 **How to communicate and influence**

Next meeting:

✦ Feb. 07, 2018 **Legal structure / Finance structure**

## FinTech Committee

**This committee focuses on the impact of new technologies for banks.**

It gathers unit managers to help them have a vision of the technology impact, and proposes a holistic approach by sharing presentations from both the banking industry and other large companies that face the same revolution.

Past meeting:

✦ Dec. 12, 2017 **WealthTech: Quantifeed**

Next meeting:

✦ Feb. 06, 2018 **TBC**

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## Food and Beverage Committee

### The goals of the committee are to:

- ✦ Exchange views on the market,
- ✦ Give / receive advice,
- ✦ Create synergies between members,

It focuses on 'exchange of information' and lobbying towards the Hong Kong government.

### Past meetings:

- ✦ Oct. 10, 2017 **Opportunities in Hong Kong Food and Beverage Retail**
- ✦ Nov. 07, 2017 **Restaurant 2.0: Profit Increase thanks to Digital Transformation**
- ✦ Dec. 05, 2017 **Introduction to Champagne & Spirits market**

### Next meetings:

- ✦ Jan. 09, 2018 **Supply Chain in Food and Beverage Sector**
- ✦ Feb. 06, 2018 **Think global | Act local**
- ✦ Mar. 06, 2018 **Presentation by Pirata**

### Next event:

- ✦ Jan. 17, 2018 **Time to rethink F&B: welcome to the "Fun and Beyond" revolution?**

## Green Business Committee

The Green Business Committee provides a user friendly forum for sustainable development issues, and addresses matters of specific concern or interest in conservation and environmental matters consistent with sustainable development principles.

### Past meeting:

- ✦ Oct 19, 2017 **Doing business in China**

### Next meetings:

- ✦ Jan. 25, 2018 **Smart Dubai and Smart Mobility: Integrated Center for smooth City-wide transportation operations**
- ✦ Mar. 22, 2018 **Doing business in South East Asian countries**

## Healthcare and Insurance Committee

This Committee launched two years ago, is a restricted one that gathers only members from the healthcare and insurance sectors.

### Past meeting:

- ✦ Dec. 07, 2017 **HealthTech and risk management**

### Next meeting:

- ✦ Feb. 02, 2018 **Health policy in Hong Kong (update and orientations, main large actions)**

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## Human Resources Committee:

The Committee's nature is oriented towards a 'Club' mindset: people sharing the same issues, looking for solutions, with HR leaders at the center of the group plus few representatives of professions interesting for HR.

### Past meeting:

- ✦ Nov. 20, 2017 **Role for HR: Foster an emerging knowledge sharing culture in Pierre Fabre Asia**

### Past event:

- ✦ Oct. 12, 2017 **The new 'HR Tech' challenge and the future of work: Is HR ready for its digital transformation?**

### Next meetings:

- ✦ Jan. 15, 2018 **Mobility programmes:  
The mobility programmes within companies**
- ✦ Feb. 05, 2018 **Talent retention**
- ✦ Mar. 19, 2018 **On-boarding**

## Infrastructure Committee:

The Committee continues its exchanges with the Hong Kong government, answering consultations and inviting representatives to do presentations during committee meetings.

### Past meeting:

- ✦ Nov. 17, 2017 **Conceptual Spatial Framework for Hong Kong 2030+**

### Next meeting:

- ✦ Feb. 02, 2018 **Open data and big data with OGCIO**

### Next event:

- ✦ Jan. 23, 2018 **Visit of the MTR Tsing Yi Operations Control Centre**

## Legal Committee:

This Committee is a restricted one that gathers only in-house counsels and lawyers from legal firms.

Experience sharing will be encouraged to compare practices, and lawyers will provide presentations to counsels on hot topics such as new laws in Hong Kong and the region.

### Past meeting:

- ✦ Nov. 21, 2017 **The protection of IP in Chinese supply and distribution relationships**

### Next meeting:

- ✦ Jan. 25, 2018 **Cyber-Security**

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## Logistics and Supply Chain Committee:

This new working group gathers members in charge of Supply chain and from logistics companies.

### Past meeting:

✦ Oct. 17, 2017 **Supply chain in Decathlon**

### Next meetings:

✦ Jan. 16, 2018 **TBC**

## Luxury and Retail Committee:

Members of the Luxury & Retail Committee gain valuable input and up-to-date information from industry insiders as well as enjoying an exclusive platform where they exchange trends and new practices.

### Past meeting:

✦ Nov. 23, 2017 **Retail productivity challenges**

### Next meetings:

✦ Jan. 12, 2018 **China: Update on the Luxury market**

✦ Feb. 01, 2018 **Brands exchange**

### Past event:

✦ Nov. 14, 2017 **Luxury Symposium**

## Policy and Consultation Committee:

This committee aims at supporting the Chamber to prepare its paper submissions: the Policy and the Budget recommendations.

### Next meeting:

✦ Feb. 13, 2018 **Preparation of the French Chamber recommendations**

## Small and Medium Enterprises Committee:

The Small & Medium Enterprises Steering Committee remains the place for large SMEs to meet and network. We believe that diversity creates dynamism and that experience-sharing benefits each and every SME leader. In that respect, we organize seminars and exchange sessions specifically targeted to members' needs.

### Past meetings:

✦ Oct. 20, 2017 **Online PR, Design, Influence, Social Network and Google Appearance**

✦ Nov. 14, 2017 **Website, Branding and Design**

✦ Dec. 12, 2017 **Human Resources - Recruitment**

### Next meetings:

✦ Jan. 23, 2018 **IT for SMEs**

✦ Feb. 13, 2018 **SME Club networking cocktail**

✦ Mar. 27, 2018 **HR: Retention, Wages, Training**

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## Sourcing Committee:

The committee continues to hold its successful monthly meetings, with many exchanges between the participants.

### Past meetings:

- ✦ Oct. 13, 2017 **Atlantic ALC (HK) Limited**
- ✦ Nov. 03, 2017 **Sourcing industry outlook for 2018**
- ✦ Dec. 08, 2017 **Industry 4.0: How digitization makes the supply chain more efficient, agile, and customer-focused**

### Next meetings:

- ✦ Jan. 26, 2018 **Integrity, physical and cyber security**
- ✦ Feb. 15, 2018 **Human Resources**

### Next event:

- ✦ Mar. 15, 2018 **Made in Asia VIII**

## Women on Board Committee:

The WOB Committee of the French Chamber in Hong Kong has launched the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the **Mentoring Program for Young Women Professionals**. The Committee is also preparing the **2018 He for She symposium**.

### Past meetings:

- ✦ Oct. 10, 2017 **Mentoring Cocktail**
- ✦ Dec. 05, 2017 **WOB Steering Committee Brainstorming**

### Next meeting:

- ✦ Jan. 10, 2018 **WAF session**
- ✦ Jan. 30, 2018 **WOB Steering Committee Brainstorming**

### Next events:

- ✦ Feb. 06, 2018 **WOB – Networking Cocktail**
- ✦ Mar. 06, 2018 **He for She symposium**

## Young Professionals and VI committee:

The Young Professionals & VI Committee aims at animating and developing the network of the young professionals and V.I. community in Hong Kong, while helping to integrate them to the broader Hong Kong business community.

These goals are achieved through the organisation of regular networking cocktails, and through round table events and workshops, where young professionals are given the opportunity to meet experienced top managers.

### Past events:

- ✦ Nov. 15, 2017 **YP Roundtable with Sponge**
- ✦ Nov. 28, 2017 **66<sup>th</sup> Intercham YP Cocktail – Jinjuu**

### Next events:

- ✦ Jan. 16, 2018 **YP Cocktail at Djapa**
- ✦ Jan. 23, 2018 **YP Roundtable with XXII**
- ✦ Feb. 13, 2018 **67<sup>th</sup> Intercham YP Cocktail**

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