

Standing out as IR professionals in an uncertain international landscape

AGENDA

8.45 am Platform opens: Meet the attendees

9.00 am Opening remarks: Welcome to the forum

James Beech, editor-in-chief, IR Magazine

9.05 am Capital market and macro-economic trends to prepare for in 2023

In a time of geopolitical turmoil and market uncertainty, this session focuses on the outlook for IR teams in 2023 – and how IROs can prepare for the year ahead.

- Current market trends in Asia and predictions for the coming 12 months
- China's position on the international stage and the political relationship between US and China
- Regulatory outlook in 2023 and how this affects fund flows and investor sentiment
- Specific risks and opportunities in the coming months for certain sectors

Helen Qiao, chief Greater China economist, head of Asia economic research, Bank of America Merrill Lynch

9.35 am Top IR trends in the current macroeconomic climate

40% of respondents in a recent IR survey by Citigate Dewe Rogerson cited the volatile external environment as a key communications challenge. In this fireside chat, we look at all the key trends IR teams need to be aware of as we prepare for the year ahead.

Moderator: Tim Human, senior reporter, *IR Magazine*Benny Liu, managing director and head of China, Citigate Dewe Rogerson

10.00 am Networking break

10.15 am Increasing digital engagement with international investors in a hybrid world

With traditional social media routes inaccessible in China and a return to blanket virtual events and meetings due to COVID, planning a robust digital targeting strategy for 2023 is an IR imperative.

- What are the common challenges IR teams face in Greater China when seeking foreign investment?
- Hear from IR professionals with current, highly successful digital engagement programs
- Discuss innovative solutions to working around the challenges of 'The Great Firewall'
- Increasing your online visibility/impact in an increasingly digital world (cutting through the noise), how do you stand-out

Moderator: Tim Human, senior reporter, *IR Magazine*Jenny Huang, managing director, APAC, Euroland IR
Calvin Pei, vice president of corporate finance and strategy, PAX Global Technology

10.45 am Responding to investor needs around ESG: What is expected and how to deliver it?

With ESG remaining a key issue at the top of the IR agenda, this session will provide insight into what investors are looking for and how to craft an ESG narrative that meets expectations.

- Learn from prominent sell-side analysts about how decisions around ESG investing are made
- Debate the motivations around ESG to learn what investors want in the current climate
- Hear from representatives who are leading the way in the region with their compelling ESG stories

Moderator: James Beech, editor-in-chief, *IR Magazine* Kok Siong Ng, executive director and chief financial officer, Link Asset Management

11.15 am Networking break

11.30 am Planning your schedule for 2023: What does an effective hybrid IR program look like?

Since the COVID-19 pandemic forced businesses to switch in-person events to online, many companies have begun to recognize the myriad benefits of virtual working. This session will consider taking a truly hybrid approach to IR and re-writing the rule book on effectively engaging with current and future investors.

- Discover how other IR professionals have adapted to the challenges and opportunities of the new hybrid landscape
- Learn how to take your virtual engagement to the next level and build strong relationships with your target audience
- Find out how best to utilize your management's time and resources within a virtual framework

Moderator: James Beech, editor-in-chief, *IR Magazine*Rui Hua Chang, group head, capital markets and investor relations, ESR Group
Michelle Shen, director of IR, Yum China Holdings

12.00 pm Investor and analyst Q&A: Expectations of IR teams during uncertainty in 2023

During this exclusive session, our panel of investors will address questions about the coming months.

- What sectors and types of companies are investors favoring going into 2023?
- What are their predictions concerning economic trends, and how can IR teams best prepare for them?
- Understand how investors like to be approached by investor relations teams in the current environment
- Understand what international investors are looking for when investing overseas
- What do investors want from IR in a hybrid world and during a global downturn?

Thursday, December 8, 2022 Virtual event: 9 am - 2 pm HKT

Moderator: Tim Human, senior reporter, *IR Magazine*William Tsang, head of research, portfolio manager, Chartwell Capital
Tony Watson, portfolio manager, Far East Investment Management
Simon Weston, fund manager, AXA Investment Managers

12.30 pm Closing remarks and networking

James Beech, editor-in-chief, IR Magazine

12.45 pm IR Magazine Awards – Greater China

2.00 pm End of forum and awards