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Roland Ng San Tiong re-elected as SCCCI President of the 60th Council

Roland Ng San Tiong has been elected again as the SCCCI President during the 60th Council Standing Committee Re-elections concluded on 7 January 2019. He will be leading a younger team of Council Members to continue serving the business community for the next three years.

The term of service for the 60^{th} Council has been extended from two years to three years per term. This is a significant breakthrough with regards to the term system which was last revised 103 years ago.

Roland Ng says, "The Chamber has decided to reform the term system of Council Members after a century. This is to better strategise and ensure the stability of the long-term development of the Chamber. This term, we have a younger team to foster the succession of culture and Spirit of Chinese Entrepreneurs to be pass-on from generation to generation as early as possible. The strong foundation we inherited from the predecessors, and the enduring trust received from the members will be the greatest support for me and the 60th Council in the next three years."

3-year term for greater contribution (2019 - 2022)

The Chamber has been evolving for the last 103 years, gone through 50 terms of council since 10th Council (1916) to 59th Council (2019). In view of the current development trend, the Chamber has decided to extend the term of service for Council Members to three years per term. Council Members gained ample time for planning, implementation and enforcement. They will be able to better facilitate and ensure the succession as well as uphold the Spirit of Chinese Entrepreneurs, continue to contribute for the country's development.

The reformation after a century has gained full support from the members at the 2018 Annual General Meeting. The motion of amendment has been approved by the Registry of Societies. New term of service will take effect from 60th Council.

The initial term of service for Council Members when the Chamber first established in 1906 was one year per term. It was then amended to two years per term from the 10th Council.

Younger ones to inherit the mission

In view of the profound understanding on the long-term development goals, and the responsibility on succession and strengthen the century-old foundation, ten senior Council Members have decided to pass on the baton to the new Council Members to fulfil the mission of the Chamber to promote succession and uphold the spirit of Chinese entrepreneurs.

The 60th Council Members are younger with average age at 57, compared to the 59th Council Members which average age at 60. The median age of the new Council Members is 47. Among them the youngest business leader is Ken Koh Kien Chon (42), Chief Executive Officer of Yang Kee Logistics.



Strength in diversity

The ten new Council Members represent very diverse industries, ranging from retail, investments, transportation and logistics, tourism, building and constructions, food processing, professional services. The Chamber emphasises meritocracy, focusing on criteria such as professionalism, representation of the industry and business achievement for Council Members appointment regardless of gender and background. In the light of the development trend of world economy and the Singapore industry transformation strategies, the Chamber has brought in outstanding leaders from emerging industry, including Keith Tan Keng Soon (47) from fund investment and services management, added as a force to contribute to the Singapore business development.

Please refer to the attached document for the complete name list of the Standing Committee members of SCCCI's incoming 60th council. All new office-bearers will be sworn in at the Installation Ceremony of the 60th Council on 15 March 2019 (Friday).



Roland Ng San Tiong, President of the 60th Council (2^{nd} from left) and three Vice-Presidents, Charles Ho Nai Chuen (2^{nd} from right); Kuah Boon Wee (1^{st} from left) and Pek Lian Guan (1^{st} from right).

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About Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce & Industry

Established in 1906, the Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce & Industry (SCCCI) is an internationally renowned business organisation and the apex body of the Chinese business community in Singapore. It is the founder of the biennial World Chinese Entrepreneurs Convention, a global business convention. It plays a key and pro-active role in representing the interests of the local business community. In its continued drive for service excellence, the SCCCI has become the first business chamber in the region to be awarded ISO 9001 certification since 1995. In 2018, the Chamber successfully upgraded its ISO certification to ISO 9001:2015.

The SCCCI has a membership network comprising 5,000 corporate members and has more than 160 trade association members, representing over 40,000 companies including large financial and business organisations, multinational corporations, government-linked companies, and small and medium enterprises from a wide spectrum of trades and industries. These members together provide vast resources and opportunities which enable the SCCCI to develop an influential global Chinese business network for business, education, culture and community development. In return, they share a strong sense of pride and identity together and benefit immensely from the SCCCI's membership services, facilities and activities.