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ABOUT ME

Educated in the US, UK and Malaysia. Have worked in New York, Hong Kong and Singapore. Many contacts across the globe and ability to execute projects in multiple countries, cultures and jurisdictions.

EXPERIENCE

PRESIDENT, THE COOL INVESTOR LIMITED

Malaysia Hong Kong SAR — 1995 – Current

Board level experience in starting, leading, and restructuring both public and private companies in Hong Kong, ASEAN and India as **CEO** and Director.

Have served in company boards in executive and advisory capacities. Specialized in corporate restructuring, asset management and fund raising.

Accomplishments:

- CEO of **CY Foundation** - Listed at the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong – (Stock Code 1182) – 2012-14
- Executive Director of Indian Companies **Excel Edit Limited** (sold) and **Chinese Institute of Chennai** – 2006 to Current.
- Director of Research at London listed **Worldsec International** in Hong Kong (2003-2005)
- Part of team establishing the new branch of **Bankers Trust** investment bank from the US in Singapore (1985 – 88)
- Operations Manager for Hong Kong listed **Value Partners Asset Management** Company in Hong Kong – 1995
- Financial Correspondent for **Far Eastern Economic Review** magazine of Hong Kong for S.E.Asia from 1989 to 1994
- Have published articles on Economy and Finance in various international publications such as the **Wall Street Journal, New York Times, Washington Post, South China Morning Post, The Straits Times (Singapore) and China Daily**
- Have been interviewed by TV networks of **Bloomberg, CNBC and TVB**

EXPANSION AND RESTRUCTURING

- Restructured the **CY Foundation** – a company listed in the stock exchange of Hong Kong – manager of slot machines in the casinos of Macau and maker of wooden boxes for expensive watches, to become profitable, increase stock price and sold to another owner – 2012-14
- Started the first private Mandarin Institute in India “**Chennai Chinese Institute**” in Chennai, Bangalore and Delhi – 2006
- Started a company **Excel Edit**, editing scientific journals in India for publishers from the UK and the US – Elsevier, Thomson and John Wiley – 2005 – sold to another company
- Have engaged in fund raising for various Asian companies from VC and other investors -including for “**Aquagrow**” – an aquaculture company from Malaysia

SKILLS

- Skill Number 1 **Ability to form and lead teams across various Countries and Cultures**
- Skill Number 2 **Business and personal contacts across the Globe**
- Skill Number 3 **Good Communicator and Motivator**
- Skill Number 4 **Good Knowledge of Accounting and Business Law**
- Skill Number 5 **Familiar with the operations of Stock Exchanges of Hong Kong Singapore India and New York**

EDUCATION

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY – NEW YORK, USA

M. Sc. — 1980

Attended the Graduate School of Journalism specializing in financial journalism.

B.A. AMHERST COLLEGE – MASSACHUSETTS USA

Major in Economics — 1974 – 1978

Graduated with Honors of Magna Cum Laude

LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS (LSE) – London – 1976

Research on British plantation colonies of Malaya, Mauritius and British Guyana using the British Museum Library.

PENANG FREE SCHOOL – PENANG, MALAYSIA 1967-1973

PERSONAL DETAILS

- Married to Singaporean **Dr Chew Kheng Suan** – Professor English at Hong Kong Baptist University (Retired)
- Holder of **Hong Kong Passport** and Permanent Residency and Non-Resident Indian (NRI) permit. Also, holder of “Malaysia My Second Home” Permit. Can work in Hong Kong, India and Malaysia without permits

PUBLICATIONS:

A Select List of Publications and Interviews in various media can be found at the following links:

- <http://coolinvestor.biz/publish.html>
- <http://www.scmp.com/author/n-balakrishnan>