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>>> PDNHK

Launched by SENSational Foundation in 2021, the Professional Disability Network Hong Kong (PDNHK) is a **membership-based networking initiative** aimed at promoting greater connectivity among corporations, institutions, and organisations committed to advancing disability inclusion.

>>> ABOUT THE EVENT

Words shape perceptions, so we must discuss how disability language is evolving—moving beyond stigmatising labels towards empowering frames that recognise humanity's diverse forms of ability and variation. Join us to explore recent terminology shifts acknowledging **non-apparent versus invisible disabilities, advocating disability pride over difference,** and **ensuring policies address people with disabilities' agency in selecting language.**

Hear from professionals driving semantic change to people with disabilities' benefit, impacting efforts for justice, rights and inclusion. It's time mainstream conceptions catch up to reality; through **open dialogue on reframing semantics,** we'll move **beyond labels** and towards fuller understanding and acceptance of human diversity.

24 August 2023 | 4:30-6:30pm

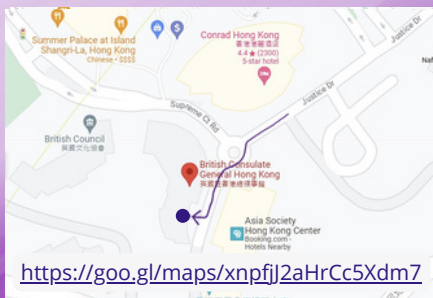
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>>> MODERATOR

Christina Pantin (she/her/hers)

Founding Member, Web3 Women & Communications Specialist

Christina is a founding member of Web3 Women, runs her own communications consultancy, and most recently led Bullish's external and internal communications, public relations and media relations.

Based in Hong Kong, she joined the cryptocurrency exchange's parent company Block.one in 2019 after senior roles at global and U.S. boutique public relations agencies in Hong Kong, New York and Orlando. Previously, Christina also led the product PR team at Samsung Electronics America.

Her consultancy provides strategic communications advice, content creation, executive communications and thought leadership support as well as coaching for public speaking.

Born and raised in Malaysia, she started her career as a financial journalist with Reuters, working in senior roles in New York, Dallas, Malaysia, Singapore, Vietnam and India for more than 20 years.



>>> SPEAKERS

Nifraz Rifaz (he/him/his)

Communications Business Partner Lead, Asia Pacific | Iron Mountain

Nifraz Rifaz is a senior strategic communications expert with 18 years of experience in transforming market reputation and cultural behaviour by creating innovative change communication strategies for financial services, information technology services and, nonprofits in Hong Kong, London, and Colombo. Nifraz is a published author and a strong DEI advocate.



>>> SPEAKERS

Tina Arcilla (she/her/hers)

Senior Manager, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion APAC | Manulife

Tina helps drive diversity, equity and inclusion at Manulife in Asia by empowering employees to play a role in creating a working environment where everyone is accepted, valued and included #UntilEachOneOfUsBelongs. One of her big projects is the global roll out of their Diversity in Action programme, which seeks to engage colleagues and communities in developing and offering more inclusive products and services.

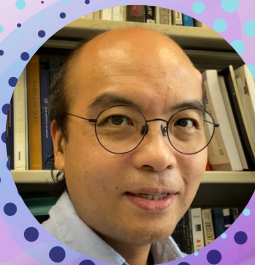


Tina was previously Head of Community Business' Diversity and Inclusion in Asia Network (DIAN), where she also contributed to campaigns that tackle inequality in the workplace, co-authored and contributed to Asia-focused research and thought pieces, and provided training and advisory for companies. Prior to Community Business, she was a corporate governance advocate at the Institute of Corporate Directors (ICD) Philippines.

Dr. Simon Ng (he/him/his)

College of Humanities and Law | HKU SPACE

Dr Simon T M Ng is an interdisciplinary legal academic. He is Senior Programme Director in Law with the School of Professional and Continuing Education and is an Honorary Research Associate at the Centre for Advancement in Inclusive and Special Education, the University of Hong Kong. He is an Executive Editor of the International Journal of Disability and Social Justice and collaborates closely with prominent academics in disability studies and leaders advocating for disability equality and inclusion worldwide.



Simon is keen on promoting disability inclusion in education, employment and community living. He has spearheaded projects and programmes aimed at building inclusion confidence and capacity of educators, managers and equality workers. He serves as a member of the Consultative Committee of the Hong Kong Joint Council of Parents of the Mentally Handicapped, as well as a member of the Committee on Rehabilitation of the Hong Kong Society for Rehabilitation.